

# **Proposed Conveyance Working Group Recommendation Regarding Alignment**

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At the request of the Conveyance Working Group  
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For the purposes of defining the proposed project and conservation strategy, as well as for conducting the impact analysis, the Steering Committee recommends focusing future analysis on the eastern alignment due to the substantially lower energy and capital costs associated with the eastern alignment according to preliminary analysis conducted to date. The Steering Committee, however, recommends that the BDCP consultant continue to consider the two alignments with regard to key elements that may substantially affect the overall conservation strategy such as intake location or diversion strategy.

The Steering Committee recognizes that the EIR/EIS consultant will continue analysis of canal alignment alternatives. The Steering Committee requests that the EIR/EIS team regularly report back to the Conveyance Workgroup on the progress of the alignment alternatives analysis.