

APPENDIX B

Information Sources

Appendix B (provided on CD) provides a listing of source documents that Yuba County Water Agency (Licensee or YCWA) evaluated in their search for “existing, relevant, and reasonably available” information for inclusion in Section 7, Description of Existing Environment, of this Yuba River Development Project (Project) Pre-Application Document (PAD). Licensee focused their search on finding source documents: that is, documents that contained original source data and associated conclusions, interpretations, and other information developed *de novo* by the author(s). Documents and sources of information that were generally avoided include: 1) general natural history descriptions such as general descriptions of species life cycles, ranges of occurrence, and behavior; 2) technology references such as manuals concerning development of models; 3) reviews and compendiums that do not contain source information, but oftentimes use another’s information in an editorial fashion; 4) technical references such as general limnology text books; and 5) anecdotal information that cannot be verified. In addition, management and policy documents were avoided except to the extent that they are used solely to describe agency management and policies that apply specifically to the Project Area.

The documents evaluated are presented in Tables B1 through B13, in Microsoft Excel format, on the CD provided. The tables are organized by resource area:

- Table B1 – River Basin Description
- Table B2 – Geology and Soils
- Table B3 – Water Resources
- Table B4 – Aquatic Resources
- Table B5 – Wildlife Resources
- Table B6 – Botanical Resources
- Table B7 – Wetlands, Riparian and Littoral Habitats
- Table B8 – Threatened and Endangered Species
- Table B9 – Recreation
- Table B10 – Land Use
- Table B11 – Aesthetic Resources
- Table B12 – Socio-economic Resources
- Table B13 – Cultural Resources

Not all of the existing and reasonably available information found during the Licensee’s search was relevant to this PAD, yet the source was still listed in Appendix B for completeness and to document due diligence. When a document verified information from another reference it may not have been cited, but it was included in Appendix B. When a document provided relevant information for more than one resource area, the document is repeated in the appropriate tables.

Each Appendix B table includes three key pieces of information: a complete citation; the recommending party or agency (if applicable); and the location of the document. In some cases, the source document can be found on the Internet, in which case the website address of the

document is listed. In some cases, the document is an article from a journal or periodical or report that Licensee has obtained or is otherwise a document in Licensee's possession. Those documents can be obtained by a third party (at a reasonable cost for reproduction and postage) by contacting Licensee. Note that some sources of information are Geographic Information System (GIS) files.

During preparation of the PAD, Licensee identified some source documents that are considered "Confidential" for one or more reasons. Such documents are so indicated; however, the Licensee may not distribute such documents to a third party. Examples of confidential documents include GIS files or maps that contain the specific location of cultural sites, and reports that FERC considers contain Critical Energy Infrastructure Information. Those who wish copies of the information in these documents should contact the appropriate authorities.

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- **Table B-01: River Basin Description**
- **Table B-02: Geology and Soils**
- **Table B-03: Water Resources**
- **Table B-04: Aquatic Resources**
- **Table B-05: Wildlife Resources**
- **Table B-06: Botanical Resources**
- **Table B-07: Wetlands, Riparian, and Littoral Habitats**
- **Table B-08: Threatened and Endangered Species**
- **Table B-09: Recreation Resources**
- **Table B-10: Land Use Resources**
- **Table B-11: Aesthetics Resources**
- **Table B-12: Socio-Economic Resources**
- **Table B-13: Cultural Resources**

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