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NCPA Statement on Release of Biological Opinions for the Long-term Operations of the Central Valley Project

ROSEVILLE, Calif. (October 22, 2019) — Today, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and National Marine Fisheries Service released their updated biological opinions on the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation’s (USBR) proposal for the long-term operations of the Central Valley Project (CVP).

“With the release of the biological opinions, NCPA looks forward to engaging in-depth with USBR to explore opportunities to increase the operational flexibility of the CVP so that the timing of power generation complements changing hydrological conditions and best positions the resource to support increased renewable energy and state carbon neutrality goals,” said NCPA General Manager Randy S. Howard.

NCPA members collectively receive 41% of the hydropower generation from the Central Valley Project.

About NCPA: Headquartered in Roseville, California, NCPA is a nonprofit California joint powers agency established in 1968 to construct and operate renewable and low-emitting generating facilities and assist in meeting the wholesale energy needs of its 16 members: the Cities of Alameda, Biggs, Gridley, Healdsburg, Lodi, Lompoc, Palo Alto, Redding, Roseville, Santa Clara, Shasta Lake, and Ukiah, Plumas-Sierra Rural Electric Cooperative, Port of Oakland, San Francisco Bay Area Rapid Transit (BART), and Truckee Donner Public Utility District—collectively serving nearly 700,000 electric consumers in Central and Northern California.

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