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## RE: Independent Peer Review of HEC-ResSim Water Temperature Simulation Model

Dear Dr. Mooney,

The Delta Stewardship Council's Delta Science Program is pleased to announce the completion of the independent scientific peer review of the HEC ResSim Water Temperature Model Platform. The Panel members have completed their report, and the courtesy copy is attached to this email.

Next steps include adding the final, accessible document to our website (<u>https://deltacouncil.ca.gov/delta-science-program/hec-ressim-water-temperature-independent-peer-review</u>) and sending a Delta Stewardship Council listserv announcement in late June.

The Panel members responded to Charge questions aligned with their respective expertise. They provide recommendations regarding the model documentation's completeness, the theoretical basis of the model, potential spatial or temporal biases, and whether test studies were effectively used to validate the model.

If there are questions about the final report please contact Ash Zemenick, Senior Environmental Scientist, at <u>reviewadvice@deltacouncil.ca.gov.</u>

Sincerely,

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HEC ResSim Water Temperature Independent Peer Review Report

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