PEIS Public Involvement Summary

Public and stakeholder involvement was crucial in creating an open and inclusive process to develop the CVPIA implementation program. Throughout the preparation of the PEIS, meetings were held with the Cooperating and Consulting Agencies, other agencies, interest groups, and the public.

Preparation of the PEIS began during the Scoping phase. Scoping served as a fact-finding process that helped identify public concerns and recommendations about the CVPIA, the PEIS process, issues that would be addressed in the PEIS, and the scope and level of detail for the analyses. Scoping activities formally began in January 1993 after a Notice of Intent to prepare the PEIS was filed in the Federal Register and formally ended in April 1993 with the release of the Scoping Report and the Public Involvement Plan. Public participation continued, however, on an informal basis to ensure that new issues and concerns were considered throughout the PEIS process.