Title: 2015 National Fish Habitat Board Budget Update

Desired Outcome: Board approval of recommendation to fund a 2-Day FHP workshop in 2015

Background: On its January call, the National Fish Habitat Board approved the 2015 Budget, but it tasked Board staff to look into the possibility of using the carry forward dollars to fund outstanding items and present findings in March. Unfunded items that remain as needs for NFHP and the FHPs, presented to the Board in January:

- $60,000 – GIS FTE for NFHP and FHP Assessment
- $35,000 – Socioeconomic Data analysis for FHPs and Board
- $30,000– 2-Day FHP Workshop

Funding for the proposed FHP workshop could be funded from carry forward dollars from the NFWF/State Funds account, which has been carried forward in the budget for the past several years. The remainder of the carryforward funding will help continue communications/outreach partially into 2016.

Update: Based on FHP feedback following the November FHP workshop that one day was not enough time, staff recommends using these funds to host a 2-Day FHP workshop in conjunction with the October Board meeting in Sacramento, CA.