

Peer Review Reporting Plan for the Draft Santa Ana sucker (*Catostomus santaanae*) Recovery Plan

About the Document

- Draft Santa Ana sucker (*Catostomus santaanae*) Recovery Plan
- This document is the draft recovery plan for the Santa Ana sucker. The goal of this recovery plan is to outline recovery actions needed to control or reduce threats to the extent that the Santa Ana sucker no longer requires protections afforded by the Endangered Species Act.
- We anticipate releasing the Final Santa Ana sucker (*Catostomus santaanae*) Recovery Plan in the spring of 2016.

About the Peer Review Process

- Letters requesting peer review were sent to seven species or habitat experts. Responses to peer review comments will be published in the final recovery plan.
- Peer reviewers were selected by CFWO staff based on their knowledge and expertise of the Santa Ana sucker and its habitat, including: sucker biology, conservation, and ecology. They include field biologists that are familiar with each of the three river basins where the species occurs.
- We solicited peer review from individuals after release of the Notice of Availability. They will have until the end of the 60-day comment period, January 23, 2015, to submit their comments to the Carlsbad office.

About Public Participation

- A 60-day comment period was initiated on November 24, 2014 with publication of the Notice of Availability of the Draft Santa Ana sucker Recovery Plan. In the notice, we asked that comments be submitted by mail or in person by January 23, 2015 to the Carlsbad Fish and Wildlife Office.

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For more details, see OMB Final Information Quality Bulletin for Peer Review, available at <http://www.whitehouse.gov/sites/default/files/omb/memoranda/fy2005/m05-03.pdf>