Regional Approach
Deliverables

Reinventing Water Plan Regional Reports
Regional Approach: Content

- Background
- Objectives
- Key Elements
Regional Content: What We Heard

• Statewide programs need to understand regional conditions & priorities

• Information also needed on sub-regional conditions

• Recommendations needed to be more specific to each region's unique challenges and opportunities
Regional Content – What We Heard

Many recommendations to better reflect regional initiatives throughout Water Plan:

• Urban Water Management Plans
• Integrated Regional Water Mgmt. Plans
• Agency databases
• Flood Management Plans
• General Plans – Water Element
Regional Content: What We Did

Developed and Refined Content

• Revisited role of CWP Regional Reports for describing regional conditions and priorities
• Expanded focus on local and regional efforts, priorities and initiatives
• Discussions with other program managers
Regional Approach: Roll-out

Today’s Presentation

• Describe new Regional Report “Story”
• Receive feedback on new Regional Report
  • What to add or change
Regional Content: Objectives

Provide accurate and comprehensive description of regional conditions, efforts and priorities regarding water management and planning.

Focus on the unique conditions, objectives and available solutions in each region.

Better support planning efforts and programs at local and regional level.
Regional Approach: Recent Activities

Regional Report “Storyboard”

Current State of Region

Regional Resource Management Objectives

Inter-regional and Statewide Relationships

Water Management Strategies and Initiatives

Short- and Long-term Recommendations
Questions so far?
Regional Content:
Current State of Region

• Description of unique characteristics of regions and sub-regions, including:
  • Geography, hydrology, demographics, economics
  • Flood and water mgmt. challenges & opportunities

• Recent/key policies, programs, legislation

• Major efforts and initiatives
Regional Content:
Resource Management Objectives

• Overview of local and regional water planning and mgmt. objectives, e.g.:
  • IRWM, UWMP, Irrigation district, Flood district, RCD and General Plan goals
  • State program guidelines and criteria such as Water Boards, IRWM Strategic Plan

• Addressing immediate needs

• Anticipating future conditions and needs
Regional Content: Inter-Regional & Statewide Relationships

• Past and present interactions with other regions (upstream and downstream), e.g.:
  • imported water, transfers, conjunctive use
  • floodplain management activities
  • implications for reliability, water quality, energy use

• Current and future stake in larger inter-regional systems
  • Bay-Delta conditions and programs
Regional Content: Water
Management Strategies and Initiatives

• Describe the Resource Management Strategies currently used in region
• Describe which strategies are: readily available, most effective, preferred
• Feasibility for expanding current strategies
• Feasibility for new strategies
• Tradeoffs and overall benefits
Regional Content: Short- and Long-term Implementation Actions

- Recommendations for implementation
  - Short-term and long-term
  - Likely benefits associated with actions
- “No Excuse” actions
- Consequences of inaction
Questions of Clarification

Initial Comments

“Big Picture” Suggestions
Regional Approach: Next Steps

Conduct first round of Regional Forums

- Form Meeting Design Teams
Regional Approach: Next Steps

Pilot Round of Regional Forums

• Confirm (4) Regions for initial meetings
• 1st Design Team meetings in Feb.
• 2nd Design Team meetings in March
• Regional Meetings in May
Regional Approach: Form Meeting Design Teams

**WHAT THEY DO**

Inform State agencies on the issues and information for Regional Forums

**HOW THEY DO IT**

Assist with agenda development and outreach
Regional Approach: Meeting Design Teams

**HOW THEY ARE COMPRISED**

Small teams (3-8 people) of regional stakeholders

- Regionally-based
- Including State and Federal agencies and Tribal entities

One Design Team per region
Regional Approach: Design Teams

**TIME COMMITMENT**

Two Design Team meetings (2 hours each) for each Regional meeting (estimated)

1-2 hours prep and material review for each Design Team meeting

1-2 hours for suggestions on outreach

About 6-8 hours per Regional meeting
Regional Approach: Design Teams

HOW TO JOIN A DESIGN TEAM

• Initial applicants are listed on the Design Team roster

• Opportunity still open for those interested

• Use online survey or work sheet to sign up
Regional Approach: Recent Activities

Complete the 1st Round of Regional Mtgs.

- Remaining 8 regional Design Teams meet in April & May
- Remaining 8 Regional Meetings held in Summer 2011
Questions?

Initial Comments?