Regional Approach: Kick-Off
Conference Call Protocols

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Purpose of Today’s Webinar

- Layout Expanded Regional Outreach Process
- Describe Work to be Completed
- Seek Regional Involvement in Meeting Agenda Development (Relevant messaging)
DWR is committed to:

• Increasing regional influence on State water policy and investment decision-support
• Planning with more regard for regional diversity and unique attributes (one size does not fill all when it comes to State water policies)
• Integrating DWR programs both internally and externally
• Working with other State agencies to integrate related resource planning programs
• Clarifying the State’s role in IRWM Planning
Regional Approach

Agenda Review

Statewide introduction of expanded Regional Approach:

• Foundation for the Approach and How It will Work
• Description of the Scope of Work for Regional Approach
• Implementation Timeline and Next Steps
• How to get involved
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Agenda Review

All materials available online at:

www.waterplan.water.ca.gov/calendar/calendar.cfm
Questions so far?
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Regional Approach: Submitting Comments

Go to the online survey at:
www.surveymonkey.com/s/regforum

Email the worksheet to: cwpcom@water.ca.gov

Print and fax worksheet to: (916) 651-9614
Approach for Expanding Regional Involvement and Outreach
Regional Approach: Overview

- **Background**
  - How We Got Here
  - Recent Activities

- **Objectives**

- **Key Elements**
Regional Approach: Background

Things We’ve Heard

- Appreciation for region-specific focus
- Involvement: early and often
- Desire for “one-stop” information
- Important to have a setting where water management groups can network
What We Heard: Take-away Message

There is a growing need for programs and projects to reach out to regional stakeholders.

Multiple demands make it harder to schedule meetings.

Time constraints for stakeholders and staff require greater efficiencies in outreach.
Regional Approach: Recent Activities

Developed and Refined Initial Concepts

• “Tested” concepts with stakeholders
  • Update 2013: public workshop, Tribal workshop
    Public Advisory Committee
    other interested stakeholders

• Discussions with staff from various programs

• Discussions with other state agencies
Regional Approach: Recent Activities

Convening of DWR Regional Planning Work Team

Needs Assessment for Agency Outreach

Dates set for Regional Kick-off, offered at two different times:

- Friday, Feb. 4th  9:30 a.m. – noon  OR
- Wednesday, Feb. 9th  1:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Questions so far?
Regional Approach: Objectives

- Provide venue for regional dialog related to integrated water management and planning
- Focus on the unique conditions, objectives and available solutions in each region
- Better integrate and coordinate multiple planning efforts and programs at local and regional level
Regional Approach: Key Elements

Regional meetings for each hydrologic region

Regions expected to meet several times each year through 3-hour webinars, with options for physical meeting space
Regional Approach: Key Elements

What Happens Next? (details later in agenda...)

• Prepare for 1st round of Regional Forums
  • sponsored by California Water Plan
  • 4 total ---- one per each Regional Office
  • North, North-Central, South-Central, South
  • Meetings anticipated to occur in May

• Parallel process for next round of meetings
  • Remaining 8 meetings will be held throughout the summer (see timeline in handout)
Regional Approach: Providing Comments

Several options:

• Online survey
• Complete hardcopy worksheet
  • Email to: cwpcom@water.ca.gov
  • Fax to: (916) xxx-xxxx
Questions?