Regional Approach Deliverables

Reinventing Water Plan Regional Reports
Regional Approach: Content

- Background
- Objectives
- Key Elements
Regional Reports: Background

- Introduced in Update 2005
- Each report provides information on conditions and water balance data for each hydrologic region or area of special interest
- Update 2009 added sections on flood management and water quality and information was reviewed and refined through regional workshops
Regional Reports: 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 regions' unique challenges and opportunities
Many recommendations to better reflect regional initiatives throughout Water Plan:

- Urban Water Management Plans
- Integrated Regional Water Management Plans
- Agency databases
- Flood Management Plans
- General Plans – Water Element
Regional Reports: 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 Reports: Roll-out

Today’s Presentation

• Describe new Regional Report “Story”

• Receive feedback on Regional Report storyboard
  • What to add or change
  • Identify key topics or “sub-chapters” that are important to the region
  • Form partnerships for developing content
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 – Make it useful for local interests.
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
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, e.g.:
  • Bay-Delta conditions and programs
  • Colorado River Quantification Settlement Agreement
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

• Quantification of 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
Regional Content: Next Steps

Discuss Regional storyboard (today):

- Identify key topics or “sub-chapters” that are important to the San Francisco Bay region
- Identify existing sources of data and information
- Think about and discuss key audiences
- Commit to providing content (Your regional story)

Incorporate into expanded outline
Questions?