Cosumnes, American, Bear and Yuba IRWM
MOU organization
Planning Committee: 45 individual entities have adopted the IRWMP (and counting!)
Coordinating Committee: representation for 4 major water agencies and 4 environmental NGOs
CABY Partners and Relationships

- USDA Forest Service, Tahoe National Forest
- USDA Forest Service, El Dorado Nat’l Forest
- Eight California Native American Tribes
- California Department of Fish and Game
Priorities

- Water quality – contaminants
  - legacy mining and sediment
- Water demand and supply management
  - balancing regional use and exports
  - conjunctive use, recycling, system operations
  - surface storage: construction and removal options
- Aging infrastructure
- Watershed/ecosystem conditions
  - catastrophic fires and fuels management
  - exotic species
  - fisheries
Accomplishments

- Received planning grant to update IRWMP
- 16 projects funded from Implementation
  - 14 projects for infrastructure improvements for Disadvantaged Communities (Nevada City, and community of Washington)
  - Established water trust
  - Leak detection in Alta Colfax
- New plan adoptees at a rate of about 3 per year
Challenges

- Sustainability of the organization
  - Funding has supported intensive work by member entities
  - Administrative and technical support for meeting and project coordination
  - Looking at fundraising options for various scenarios
Lessons Learned

- Project integration by project members is a critical component in developing competitive projects
- Transparency contributes to establishing durable relationships and creating a venue for project integration at an early stage
- Systematic DAC outreach needs to focus on capacity building and options for engagement