“CURRENT STATE OF THE REGION”

This region is unique in terms of geography, demographics, economics, and most importantly, in terms of integrated water management challenges and opportunities. Here is a summary of conditions throughout the region, including recent policies, activities and legislation that touch water resources.

Notes: This could have a “Progress Report” look and feel

“WATER RESOURCE MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES”

This is what the region wants to look like in the future, along with the planning strategy for getting there. This region will leverage the State government resources, initiatives and objectives that described in this section, including: (1) Integrated regional water, water quality and flood management planning and implementation guidelines for receiving State assistance; (2) State IRWM Strategic Plan (under development) as it pertains to this region; (3) Looking to the Future – future scenarios and/or locally-derived expectations for their future; (4) summary of unmet local/regional water resource objectives.

Notes:
- “Looking to the Future” will include statewide resource management objectives, mandates, etc
- Projections and objectives stated in Urban Water Management Plans, Basin Plans, General Plans, regional growth plans, etc. should be folded into this section

“How we fit in to the statewide picture” (Inter-regional Relationships)

This is how our region interacts, both historically and currently, with other regions. This includes imported water, conjunctive use programs, historical/planned transfers, flood management actions, and potential dependence/role in the Bay Delta Conservation Plan and other interregional initiatives. This section describes how the region is affected by interregional water supply reliability and/or flood management activities.

“What we can do about it” (Resource Management Strategies - RMSs)

There are the primary types (with some quantitative estimates of trade-offs where feasible) of RMSs expected to be most available, effective, feasible and preferable within this region.

Notes:
- RMSs contained in Urban Water Management Plans, Integrated Regional Water Management Plans, etc. should be folded into this section
- Each regional report should include a list of available RMSs with quantitative and qualitative descriptions of trade-offs (where possible).

“What we need to be doing” (Implementation Recommendations)

Here are several critical, actionable short- and long-term recommendations. If not implemented in a timely manner, this region will face increasingly severe and frequent impacts and missed opportunities surrounding its natural resources, vital economy and vibrant society.

Notes:
- Recommendations should address matters such as improvements in planning processes, data needs, innovation, hedge-actions for long term uncertainty, adaptive management etc.
- “No Excuse” recommendations may address matters found to be most urgent such as finance, governance, “early” implementation RMSs, etc.