STATUS OF ROUND 3 IRWM IMPLEMENTATION GRANT PROGRAM

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STATUS OF ROUND 2 AWARDS

- DIRECTOR APPROVED AWARDS YESTERDAY
- BAY AREA & NORTH COAST APPROVED AS PROPOSED
- ADDITIONAL FUNDING TENTATIVELY AWARDED TO "BACKFILL" PARTIAL AWARDS
 - PENDING APPROPRIATION AND AUTHORIZATION BY LEGISLATURE
- COMMITMENT LETTERS TO FOLLOW

UPCOMING PROCESS IMPROVEMENT WORKSHOPS

DATES & LOCATIONS

- 2/18 REDDING
- 2/25 SACRAMENTO
 CALEPA COASTAL HEARING
 ROOM
 WEBCAST
- 2/27 IRVINE
- ALL WORKSHOPS START AT
 1 PM

PURPOSE

- EARLY INPUT TO ROUND 3
- IMPROVE IRWM GRANT PROGRAM DELIVERY
- IDENTIFY
 ANTICIPATED/KNOWN
 CHANGES
- UPDATE PROGRAM STATUS

UPDATE ON FUNDING FOR ROUND 3

- GOVERNOR'S JANUARY BUDGET
- \$472.5 M IRWM LOCAL ASSISTANCE FUNDING
 - \$22M TENTATIVELY AWARDED IN ROUND 2 WOULD COME FROM HERE
- ROUND 3 DEPENDENT ON APPROVAL OF FUNDING
 - BAY AREA REMAINING BALANCE = \$73,488,858
- ANTICIPATE POSSIBLE LEGISLATIVE DIRECTIONS

KNOWN CHANGES "INCLUDE BUT NOT LIMITED TO"

- HUMAN RIGHT TO WATER
- CASGEM
 - IMPLEMENT "NEGATIVE FINDING" BASINS NOT BEING MONITORED
- AGRICULTURAL WATER MANAGEMENT PLANS
- WATER CODE SECTIONS 525-529.7 (WATER METERING)
 - ENACTED 2004-2006; COMPLIANCE DATES FROM 2005-2025
- SWRCB NITRATE REPORT RECOMMENDATIONS
 - PRIORITIES FOR NITRATE "HIGH RISK AREAS"
- DELTA PLAN RECOMMENDATIONS

CHANGES TO ANTICIPATE

- POSSIBLE FUNDING TARGETS
 - CRITICAL WATER SUPPLY/WATER QUALITY NEEDS OF DISADVANTAGED COMMUNITIES
 - DROUGHT MITIGATION/WATER CONSERVATION
 - REDUCE DEPENDENCE ON DELTA FOR WATER SUPPLY
- IMPROVING TIES OF PROJECTS TO REGIONAL PRIORITIES

CHANGES TO ANTICIPATE

- STATEWIDE PRIORITIES
 - ALIGN TO GOVERNOR'S WATER ACTION PLAN
 - CALIFORNIA WATER PLAN 2013
 - MEETING BASIC HUMAN RIGHT TO WATER
 - NITRATES IN DRINKING WATER
 - DROUGHT MITIGATION/WATER CONSERVATION

CHANGES TO ANTICIPATE

- ADOPTED PLAN
 - NO GRANDFATHER CLAUSE
 - PLAN REVIEW PROCESS DEEMED CONSISTENT WITH 2012
 IRWM PLAN STANDARDS/IRWM PLANNING ACT
- STREAMLINED APPLICATION & SHORTENED SOLICITATION PERIOD
 - FOCUS APPLICATION TO "FORCE" SUBMITTAL OF NEEDED MATERIALS
 - AWARD FUNDS WITHIN ONE-YEAR OF APPROPRIATION

EXAMPLES

- WORK PLAN
 - FOCUS ON HOW THE PROJECTS WILL BE IMPLEMENTED?
 - LIMIT TO WHAT IS NEEDED TO GO INTO GRANT AGREEMENT?
- MONITORING, ASSESSMENT, AND PERFORMANCE MEASURES
 - TARGET TO MATCH PHYSICAL BENEFITS CLAIMED?
- PROGRAM PREFERENCE & STATEWIDE PRIORITIES
 - NARROW LIST TO FOCUS STATEWIDE PRIORITIES?
 - PRIORITIES WITHIN PRIORITIES (1ST AMONGST EQUALS)?

EXAMPLES

- BENEFITS AND COST ANALYSIS
 - MADE CHANGES GOING FROM ROUND 1 TO ROUND 2
 - SOME APPLICANTS STILL FIND THE PROCESS ONEROUS
 - TIE INTO REGIONAL NEEDS/PRIORITIES
- SCORING TABLE/PROPOSAL SUMMARIES
 - CONCERNS ABOUT CLARITY AND CONSISTENCY
 - CONCERNS ABOUT +/- IMPACTS ON SINGLE PROJECT ON ENTIRE PROPOSAL
 - NARRATIVE SUMMARIES TAKE TIME TO DEVELOP (AND ENSURE CONSISTENT, ACCURATE, FAIR, ETC.)

ROUND 3 SCHEDULE

- PROCESS IMPROVEMENT WORKSHOPS 2/18-27
- COMMENTS "DUE" 3/21/2014
- RELEASE DRAFT 2014 (ROUND 3) GUIDELINES & PSP SUMMER 2014
 - AFTER APPROPRIATION JULY 1, 2014
 - POST ON WEB FOR 30 DAYS THEN
 - (AT LEAST) 2 WORKSHOPS NORTHERN & SOUTHERN
- FINAL GUIDELINES & PSP FALL 2014 (LATE SUMMER)
- APPLICATIONS DUE WINTER 2014/15 (LATE FALL)
- AWARDS BY JUNE 30, 2015

QUESTIONS

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