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WATER WORK GROUP (WWG)

Lead Organization: California Water Institute, California State University, Fresno

ACTIONS	STATUS	2010 2nd QUARTER (Apr 1 - Jun 30)
Goal 1: Develop and implement an integrated San Joaquin Valley Regional Water Plan.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Completed 4Q 2009
Objective A: Develop San Joaquin Valley Regional Water Plan (management, technical and administrative support for plan development).		Awaiting U.S. Bureau of Reclamation (USBR) funding for Phase II
Quarterly meetings for Regional Water Plan Leadership and respective work groups.		
Converge plan development efforts with other local, state and federal allied agencies. DWR, SWRCB, Corps, Bureau and others.		
Goal 2: Incorporate major levee enhancements in San Joaquin Valley river and tributary system and the Sacramento –San Joaquin Delta to safeguard regional water quality and quantity and provide for flood control.	<input type="checkbox"/>	IP Partnership Water Policy Working Group met with Five Delta Counties a second time at Great Valley Center on May 26, 2010. Developed joint letter for submittal to Governor. Further meetings planned.
Objective A: Significantly improve San Joaquin, Merced, Kings, Kaweah, Tule and Kern Rivers' and tributaries' and other Valley drainage systems' levee integrity to assist communities in meeting 100 year plus flood protection standards and FEMA levee certification standards.		RWG continues for Upper San Joaquin River continues to meet and address issues.
Quarterly liaison meetings with major San Joaquin Valley flood protection agencies, DWR & Corps.		IP See Goal 2 comments
Objective B: Significantly improve Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta levee system integrity.		
Quarterly liaison meetings with Delta interests to insure progress on improving levee system integrity.		IP See Goal 2 comments
Goal 3: Augment surface, groundwater banking and recycled water projects in the San Joaquin Valley.	<input type="checkbox"/>	IP Water Plan Phase II
Objective A: Complete the Upper San Joaquin Basin Project.		Not applicable

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Quarterly liaison meetings with DWR, Bureau, DFG & project proponents on progress of San Joaquin Basin project.	IP	See Goal 3 comments above
Objective B: Actively support and promote six conjunctive-use projects that can be commissioned or enhanced by 2017.		
Bi-annual liaison meetings with conjunctive use project proponents and agencies on progress.		
Objective C: Develop recycled and inland brackish water projects.	NA	NOT a part of Phase II but several cutting edge projects in active development
Bi-annual liaison meetings with project proponents and DWR on progress.		
Goal 4: Improve water quality and expand salinity management infrastructure development.	<input type="checkbox"/>	IP EPA San Joaquin River basin monitoring grant not approved for California Water Institute (CWI). Local East San Joaquin Water Monitoring Council funded. CWI will assist as able.
Objective A: Develop a Salinity Management Plan to be implemented as an update to the San Joaquin and Tulare Lake Basin Plans.	IP	CWI actively involved with CV-Salts efforts.
CWI will work proactively with agencies, Water Boards, and public to lay groundwork for development of a Salinity Management Commission.		
Objective B: Ensure all communities in San Joaquin Valley have adequate sanitary sewage disposal facilities; proactively site, permit, finance, construct and commission five (5) regional wastewater treatment plants.	IP	CWI actively engaged in developing sustainable strategies for advancing drinking water quality within Disadvantaged Communities of SJV across federal and state agencies.
Quarterly liaison meetings with wastewater treatment agencies and project proponents to ensure progress.		
Objective C: Ensure all communities in San Joaquin Valley provide water that meets state and federal drinking water standards.	IP	See above
Goal 5: Promote riparian environmental restoration.	<input type="checkbox"/>	IP NOT a part of Phase II but actively supported by CWI as able

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Objective A: Develop San Joaquin valley ecosystem restoration plan. (Coordinate with Economic Development Work Group to advance tourism component of strategic Action Plan)		
CWI will serve in a liaison role to work with local interests in the development of sustainable riparian corridor restoration plans throughout the San Joaquin Valley.		
Objective B.1: Restoration; San Joaquin River restoration.	IP	CWI actively involved in SJR seepage monitoring program
Objective B.2: Water Management: San Joaquin River restoration.		See above
CWI will serve in a liaison and support role between the Partnership Water Work Group, the Board and restoration groups as the terms of the Settlement are worked out and implemented by NRDC and Friant Water Users Authority		
Goal 6: Expand agricultural and urban water-use and energy efficiency programs.	<input type="checkbox"/>	IP Center for Irrigation Technology Agricultural Pump Efficiency Program to be expanded by PG&E to include on-farm monitoring and water conservation.
Objective A: Cost-effective, results-oriented, agricultural water use and energy efficiency diagnostic, repair, retrofit and education programs.		
CWI will work with its sister entity, International Center for Water Technology at California State University Fresno, state agencies utilities and local energy partnerships to proactively forge the water-energy connection in agriculture, and with water agencies, in the implementation of California public policy.	IP	See above
Objective B: Cost-effective, results-oriented, urban water use and energy efficiency diagnostic, repair, retrofit and education programs.		
CWI will work with ICWT and allied water-energy conservation specifically the California Urban Water Conservation Council CUWCC, to proactively forge the water-energy connection in urban water use and energy efficiency programs to steward these two valuable resources throughout the San Joaquin Valley.	IP	See Goal 6 comments above

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Challenges/Problems/Bottlenecks/Feedback encountered during the quarter			California Department of Water Resources has many, many water-related planning efforts in the San Joaquin Valley area. That and three years of drought and water policy loggerheads in the Delta, make it very difficult to get the attention of people needed to solve major issues in a sustainable manner.
New funds leveraged during the quarter.			<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Bureau funds not received yet 2. PG&E energy efficiency contract to be expanded significantly in 2011