OPENING THE CALL FOR PROJECTS
SETTING A PROCEDURE FOR INCLUDING PROJECTS
OWOW PLAN UPDATE 2018
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- IRWM Plans include a list of projects that, once implemented, will help achieve the goals of the plan.
- 2016 IRWM Plan Standards contains guidance on how to include projects
- OWOW Program has done this before, has learned lessons, now must gear up to do it again
WHY HAVE YOUR PROJECT IN OWOW PLAN UPDATE 2018?

Preparing
Preparing to compete for IRWM implementation grants

Complying
Complying with Stormwater Resources Management Planning Act

Supporting
Supporting pursuit of other funding opportunities

Seeking
Seeking prestige or visibility for a project or program

Simplifying
Simplifying effort to build collaboration or multi-benefit project
ROLES OF THE STEERING COMMITTEE

1. Setting the policies for the OWOW Plan Update 2018 call for projects to be included in the plan

2. Setting policy for how the OWOW Program, outside a plan update process, can receive and include projects

3. Setting priorities so that projects competing for funding can be scored / ranked
January
Steering Committee
Input

February
Pillar Integration

Proposed Call for Projects input

Today
Approve issuance of the Call for Projects

Steering Committee Input

TIMELINE
PROPOSED PRINCIPLES FOR THE CALL FOR PROJECTS FOR INCLUSION IN THE PLAN

01
All projects that meet threshold of requested information will be included.

Judicious use of the term “required”

02
Project proponents must assert and describe how projects help achieve the OWOW Plan Update 2018 Goals & Objectives

03
All project information, once submitted, will be visible to the public on a map and within the database

04
Other project databases will be input directly to the OWOW database, insofar as is technically feasible
DEMONSTRATION

- Online Data Tool
- Imported projects
  - OC Plan (2018)
  - Santa Ana River Parkway & Open Space Plan (2018)
  - Orange County Stormwater Resources Plan (2017)
  - IEUA Integrated Resources Plan (2016)
  - Chino Basin Stormwater Resources Plan (2016)
  - Upper Santa Ana IRWMP (2014)
PROCEDURE FOR ACCEPTING PROJECTS

1. Project submittal tool always open
2. OWOW Plan Update 2018 will include projects in database when finalized
3. Outside plan update cycle:
   1. A need to be able to “include” projects
4. Curating the project database
   1. Projects remain up-to-date
   2. Proponents receive annual reminders to update
   3. A system for removing a project no longer tended by a proponent
5. The OWOW Plan Update 2018 will include a written section describing this procedure so that others who adopt the Plan are aware, and through their approval, supportive of the procedure.
RECOMMENDATIONS

1. …that the OWOW Steering Committee approve the opening of the OWOW Plan Update 2018 Call for Projects.

2. …that the OWOW Steering Committee approve the proposed procedure for managing the inclusion of projects to the OWOW Plan Update 2018 from a continuously-open call. (agenda packet page 10)
May
Draft PSP for Prop 1 IRWM Implementation grants

May - June
Three regional meetings about draft PSP

June
Draft PSP Comments Close

Summer
Final PSP Released

Summer – December
Regional Workshops

December 2018
Grant Proposals Due
WHY RATING & RANKING?

1. The structure of a regional competition for grants

2. Describes our current most critical needs
   - “Among our priorities, what do we need to do with the available resources?”

3. Encourages project development
   - Draws together partnerships
   - Drives towards innovation
Steering Committee responsible for selecting suite of projects for regional grant application

The region benefits from a competitive process

Competition complies first with Prop 1 Guidelines, second with regional priorities

Built transparently by stakeholders, approved by Steering Committee
For the most part, language to ensure Prop 1 compliance.

An important preamble to the approved criteria (emphasis added):

- IRWM is a collaborative effort to manage all aspects of water resources in a region. IRWM crosses jurisdictional, watershed and political boundaries; involves multiple agencies, stakeholders, individuals and groups; and attempts to address the issues and differing perspectives of all entities involved through mutually beneficial solutions. Our goal is to seek benefits which improve the entire watershed and are not achieved at the expense or detriment of another.

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**TIMELINE**

- **Today**
  - Steering Committee input

- **April Pillar Integration**
  - Develop draft system

- **May Steering Committee**
  - Review & Advise draft system
TIMING

May

DWR Draft PSP
OWOW Draft Rating & Ranking

July

DWR Final PSP
OWOW Call for projects competing for grants

August

OWOW Final Rating & Ranking
…that the OWOW Steering Committee receive this presentation and provide guidance to SAWPA staff about the effort to establish a rating and ranking system for projects competing for Proposition 1 IRWM implementation grants.
Sustainability Assessment for the Santa Ana River Watershed

OWOW Plan Update 2018

Betty Andrews, PE, Environmental Science Associates (ESA)
And Peter Vorster, The Bay Institute (TBI)

Steering Committee Meeting
March 22, 2018
- Why a sustainability assessment?
- Where we’ve come from
- Where we’re headed
- Next steps
Monitoring to accomplish the following:

- Inform our prioritization of, and investment in, actions
- Demonstrate progress
- Enlist support
- Educate
Where we’ve come from: history

CWP = California Water Plan
SWM = Sustainable Water Management

CWP 2009 and Watershed Assessments

CWP 2013 and OWOW Plan 2.0

SWM Profile

CWP 2018

OWOW Plan Update 2018

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SWM = Sustainable Water Management
Where we’ve come from: Sustainability Assessment
Where we’re headed: OWOW Planning Context

Sustainability Assessment

Adaptive Management Planning Process

Evaluation / Assessment

Goal setting

Planning

Implementation

Monitoring

Identify Goals

Select Indicators

Assess

Report Results

Re-evaluate Plan and Priorities

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Re-evaluate Plan and Priorities
Where we’re headed: Process

- Identify Goals
- Select Indicators
- Assess
- Report Results
- Re-evaluate Plan and Priorities

Assessment Framework
Where we’re headed: Selection of Indicators

- If our efforts were advancing a given OWOW Plan goal, what evidence would we see of change in the watershed?
Where we’re headed: Selection of Indicators

Indicators will be:
- Easy to understand
- Meaningful to decision-makers
- Responsive to actions
- Easy to implement

and will:
- Draw heavily from indicators previously identified through other efforts.
Where we’re headed: Next Steps

- March 2018: Present at Steering Committee
- April 2018: Present indicators at Pillar Integration Meeting
- May 2018: Present approach at Steering Committee
- Aug 2018: Complete Assessment
- Sept 2018: Submit Draft White Paper
- Nov 2018: Submit Final White Paper
- CWP Plenary
- OWOW Plan Update 2018 Adoption

3/22/2018 OWOW Sustainability Assessment
Feedback? Questions?