

CVFPP Revised Draft Goals Environmental Stewardship Scope Definition Workgroup September 30, 2009

This list of goals was developed from three sources: goals for the FloodSafe program; objectives specified by the California State Legislature in AB 5 (SB 7), SB 5, and AB 156 and subsequently incorporated in the California Water Code; and, “challenges” and “opportunities” developed during the August 28, 2009 meeting of the Environmental Stewardship Scope Definition Work Group.

Initially, these goals were developed by summarizing, grouping and condensing the challenges and opportunities developed by Environmental Stewardship Work Group. Once this list of initial goals was finalized, FloodSafe program goals and the objectives contained in the above referenced legislation were reviewed and additional goals were added where necessary to include ideas or themes not already reflected in the initial goal set. Ideas discussed during the September 17 workgroup meeting were captured from notes compiled by committee members, and refinements were submitted by work group members. Best efforts were made to capture the sentiments reflected by the comments. During this exercise the goals were synthesized a great deal to focus on the critical points. A number of goals (or sub sets of them) due to their specificity, were deemed more appropriate to fit under opportunities that could then be fed into objectives under these goals. The final set of goals resulting from this process is provided below and includes both Outcome and Process goals grouped by major themes.

Overarching

Goal O1. Provide sufficient floodway capacity considering current and future conditions (i.e. climate change) to both protect public safety and accommodate natural processes and habitats.

Goal O2. Reduce conflicts between flood conveyance and the other functions and values river systems provide and support including water supply, fish and wildlife habitat, recreation, agriculture and cultural heritage sites.

Goal O3. Develop a flexible management and implementation program (governance structure) that utilizes state of the art science and analytical tools to inform decisions, respond to new information, and solicits input from a diversity of interest groups and cultures to ensure that the plan accommodates changing, climate conditions, and changes to ecological, social, and economic values and ideals over time.

Ecological

Goal E1. Develop a flood management system that rehabilitates the key physical processes and ecological functions required to yield ecosystem goods and services at quantities necessary to recover and sustain native species.

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Land Use and People

Goal LP1. Foster environmental stewardship by providing opportunities for public education, access, recreation, and Native American communal activities in the flood management system.

Financial

Goal F1. Establish long-term funding opportunities including non-governmental sources of funding (e.g., mitigation fees).

Goal F2. Leverage other agency land-managers to alleviate costs associated with annual maintenance of the flood management system, habitat restoration, and future improvements to the flood management system.

Operations and Maintenance

Goal OM1. Reduce the environmental effects associated with ongoing maintenance of the flood management system while maintaining flood conveyance,

Goal OM2. Reduce regulatory burdens and future development of the flood management system, and encourage programmatic approaches to environmental compliance that are based on a watershed (or systems) approach.