

PROPOSAL EVALUATION

IRWM Grant Program – Planning Grant, Round 1, FY 2010-2011

Applicant	County of Orange	County	Orange County
Project Title	South Orange County IRWM Regional Planning Grant	Grant Request	\$457,416
		Total Project Cost	\$904,660

Project Description The South Orange County IRWM Region proposes to update the existing IRWM Plan to Proposition 84 guidelines, prepare planning studies (floodplain management plan, salt and nutrient management plan, and groundwater management and facility plan) for the region, as well as develop climate change analysis, and greenhouse gas inventory.

Evaluation Summary

Scoring Criterion	Score
Work Plan	12
DAC Involvement	8
Schedule	10
Budget	8
Program Preferences	6
Geographic Balance	0
<i>Total Score</i>	<i>44</i>

- **Work Plan** The proposal addresses the criterion but lacks sufficient documentation or necessary rationale. The proposal provides vague description of the processes used to identify stakeholders, the region's DAC, and determining criteria for developing regional priorities. Furthermore, details of how the region intends to integrate resource management strategies and how the IRWM Plan will be implemented are also inadequate.
- **DAC Involvement** In general, the proposal provides tasks for facilitating and supporting DACs within the IRWM region, but does not sufficiently detail the process to be used.
- **Schedule** The schedule corresponds to the work items described in the work plan and is consistent and reasonable.
- **Budget** All the cost summaries shown for each work item are reasonable; however, the proposal lacks detailed costs. In general, the budget agrees with the work tasks shown in the work plan and schedule, but some of the tasks do not have adequate supporting documentation.
- **Program Preference** The proposal demonstrates and lays out a high level of certainty that six program preferences will be implemented. Those program preferences are: include regional projects or programs, effectively resolve significant water-related conflicts within or between regions, climate change, integrated flood management, surface and groundwater protection, and ensure equitable distribution of benefits.
- **Geographic Balance** Not Applicable