

Project Consistency with an Adopted IRWM Plan

The USMW IRWM Region 2015 IRWM Implementation Proposal includes a suite of four projects, that, when implemented both individually and collectively, will provide multiple water supply, water quality and environmental benefits. Each of these projects has unique benefits that will help the Region in meeting its IRWM Plan Goals as well as DWR Program Preferences. Together these projects reflect a truly integrated and cost-effective suite of IRWM-approved management strategies to help meet the Region's water management needs. The USMW Region projects include:

1. Wellhead Treatment Facilities – Well 102
2. Water Use Efficiency Turf Renewal Project
3. Expanded Recycled Water & Plant Materials Conversion Project
4. Riverside county Parks Turf Reduction Program

Each proposed project is listed and prioritized within the current USMW IRWM Plan Project List (**see Appendix C**) and described in detail in Attachment 3 Work Plan.

Implementation projects in this proposal were vetted through the USMW IRWM Region's project selection process, and adopted by the USMW RWMG and Stakeholder Advisory Committee (SAC) after a call-for-projects in April 2015, followed by review and approval of ranking by the RWMG on May 13, 2015, review and approval by the IRWM Plan Project Review Subcommittee on May 27, 2015, and review and final confirmation at a IRWM SAC workshop on June 3, 2015. The implementation projects were documented as consistent with the adopted IRWM Plan and consistent with the procedures for adding projects to the IRWM Plan after adoption.

To further demonstrate the Projects are consistent with the adopted IRWM Plan, the project selection process included an evaluation of projects meeting the IRWM Plan Goals. The vision of the USMW IRWM Plan as established by the USMW stakeholders is stated as:

“The IRWM Plan will take a balanced and consensus-based approach that will provide for the protection and sustainability of the Upper Santa Margarita Watershed's water resources, natural resources, and habitats.”

Based on this vision of the 2014 USMW IRWM Plan, the IRWM Region articulated six goals to meet the water management needs of the Region. All projects included in this proposal are multi-benefit projects that attain multiple IRWM Plan goals as shown in **Table 1-2**.

Authorization and Eligibility Requirements

Table 1-2: USMW IRWM Regional Goals

#	Project	Goal 1: Increase Diversification of Supply	Goal 2: Maximize Groundwater Potential	Goal 3: Protect and Improve Local Surface Water Quality	Goal 4: Promote Integrated Flood Management	Goal 5: Protect, Restore, and Enhance Aquatic and Riparian Habitat	Goal 6: Promote Economic, Social, Land Use, and Environmental Sustainability
1	Wellhead Treatment Facilities - Well 102	√	√				√
2	Water Use Efficiency Turf Removal Project	√		√			√
3	Expanded Recycled Water & Plant Materials Conversion Project	√		√			√
4	Riverside County Parks Turf Reduction Program	√		√			√