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Subject: Plan Review Process, Watersheds Coalition of Ventura County

Dear Ms. Rodriguez:

This letter transmits the Department of Water Resources (DWR) final review of the Watersheds Coalition of Ventura County Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM) Plan. The public comment period on DWR's review of the Watersheds Coalition of Ventura County IRWM Plan has closed and no public comments were received. DWR has determined that the Watersheds Coalition of Ventura County IRWM Plan is consistent with the IRWM Planning Act and the related IRWM Plan Standards contained in the 2012 IRWM Program Guidelines. The final review is posted on the following link: <http://www.water.ca.gov/irwm/grants/prp.cfm>.

If adopted by the Regional Water Management Group and project proponents, by the appropriate dates, the Watersheds Coalition of Ventura County IRWM Plan will satisfy the terms of the Round 1 Implementation Grant Agreement's default clause, Round 2 Implementation Grant Agreement's default clause, and the adopted plan eligibility criteria for the 2014 Drought Solicitation. The grant agreement and grant solicitation have separate dates for adoption compliance.

To simplify submitting proof of adoption, DWR will compile and track this information and inform DWR grant managers and grant application review teams appropriately. You may submit proof of adoption material as often as necessary. When submitting information, please fill out and the IRWM Plan Adoption Form, found at: <http://www.water.ca.gov/irwm/grants/resourceslinks.cfm>, along with scanned proof of adoption, and then submit the material directly to Craig Cross at the email address listed below.

If you have any questions, please contact Craig Cross at (916) 651-9204 or Craig.Cross@water.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Tracie L. Billington".

Tracie L. Billington, P.E. Chief
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INTRODUCTION

IRWM planning regions must have an IRWM Plan that has been reviewed and deemed consistent with the 2012 IRWM Plan Standards by DWR for eligibility to receiving Round 3 Proposition 84 funding. This 2012 IRWM Plan Standards Review Form for DWR staff use provides a consistent means in determining whether the 2012 IRWM Guidelines are being addressed in the IRWM Plan. It is part of the Plan Review Process that will begin prior to Round 3 solicitation. The form is similar to a grant application review form in that there is a checklist for each of the 16 Plan Standards and narrative evaluations where required. However, the evaluation is pass/fail; there is no numeric scoring. Each Plan Standard is either sufficient or not based on its associated requirements. Each Standard consists of between one and fourteen requirements. A Yes or No is automatically calculated in each Plan Standard header based on the individual requirement evaluations. In general, a passing score of "C" (i.e. 70% of the requirements for a given Plan Standard) is required for a Standard to pass. Standards with only one or 2 requirements will need one or both of those requirements to pass. Standards with 3 requirements will need at least 2 of the requirements to pass. Standards with 4 or 5 requirements will need at least 3 to pass. Some plan elements are legislated requirements. Such plan elements must be met in order to be considered consistent with plan standards. A summary of the sufficiency of each Standard is automatically calculated on the Standards Summary worksheet. A "No" evaluation indicates that a Standard was not met due to insufficient requirements comprising the Standard. The evaluation for each Plan Standard and any associated insufficiencies is automatically compiled on the Standards Summary page. Additional reviewer comments may be added at the bottom of each standards work sheet.

Note: This review form is meant to be a tool used in conjunction with the 2012 IRWM Guidelines document to assist in the evaluation of IRWM plans. It is not designed to be a substitute for the Guidelines document itself. Reviewers must use the Guidelines in determining plan consistency.

DEFINITION OF TABLE HEADINGS

IRWM Plan Standard: As named in the November 2012 IRWM Prop 84 and 1E Guidelines.

Overall Standard Sufficient: This field is either "YES" or "NO" and is automatically calculated based on the "Sufficient" column described below. If all fields are "y", the the overall standard is deemed sufficient. Any entry other than a "y" in the Sufficient column (i.e. "n", "?", not sure, more detail needed, etc.) results in a NO.

Plan Standard Requirements Which Must Be Addressed **Fields with an asterisk * are required by legislation to be included in an IRWM Plan.**

Requirement	Requirements are taken directly from the November 2012 Guidelines.
Included	Is the Guideline Requirement included in the IRWM Plan? The options are: y = yes, requirement is included in the IRWMP; or n = no, requirement is not included in the IRWMP. If only y or n then presence/absence of the requirement is sufficient for evaluation. If there is a "q" (qualitative) then add a brief narrative, similar to a Grant Application Review public evaluation or supporting information.
Plan Standard Source	
2012 IRWM Grant Program Guidelines Source Page(s)	Page(s) in the Guidelines (November 2012) which pertain to the Requirement.
Legislative Support and/or Other Citations	The CWC or other regulations that pertain to the Requirement, if applicable . This is for reference purposes. The cell links to a weblink of the regulatory code.
Evidence of Sufficiency	
Location of Standard in Grantee IRWM Plan	The page(s) or sections in the IRWM Plan where information on the Requirement can be found. This can be specific paragraphs or entire chapters for more general requirements.
Brief Qualitative Evaluation Narrative	Supporting information for the Requirement if a "q" is in the Included column. This can be just a few sentences or a paragraph and can be taken directly from the IRWM Plan. Comments or supporting information may be entered regardless of whether required.
Sufficient	Is the Guidelines requirement sufficiently represented in the IRWM Plan (y/n).

2012 IRWM Plan Standards Review Form

Regional Acceptance Process Planning Region: Ventura
 Regional Water Management Group: Watersheds Coalition of Ventura County
 IRWM Plan Title: 2014 WCVV IRWMP

PLAN IS SUFFICIENT

IRWM Plan Standard	Overall Standard Sufficient	Requirement(s) Insufficient
Governance	Yes	
Region Description	Yes	
Objectives	Yes	
Resource Management Strategies	Yes	
Integration *	Yes	
Project Review Process	Yes	
Impact and Benefit	Yes	
Plan Performance and Monitoring	Yes	
Data Management	Yes	
Finance	Yes	
Technical Analysis	Yes	
Relation to Local Water Planning	Yes	
Relation to Local Land Use Planning	Yes	
Stakeholder Involvement	Yes	
Coordination	Yes	
Climate Change	Yes	

* If not included as an individual section use Governance, Project Review Process, and Data Management Standards per November 2012 Guidelines, p. 44.

Additional Comments:

Although not needed to become consistent with current plan standards, DWR recommends the RWMG consider the following comments in future plan updates: **Region Description:** There are no water supply and demand projections that cover the planning horizon. The plan states that the WCVV is currently performing a supply and demand analysis that will be included in future updates. **Project Review Process:** (1) The review process does not seem to use the factor of strategic implementation of plan and project merit. (2) The review process does not seem to consider the factor of the status of a project proponent's adoption of the IRWM plan. **Data Management:** (1) The plan does not describe the QA/QC measures that will be used for data submitted to the DMS. (2) The plan mentions a number of state databases that were used in the development of the IRWM plan (Table 9-2), but the plan never does not outline how applicable data in the DMS will be distributed or made available to State databases. **Finance:** The plan does not include the certainty and longevity for project implementation funding. **Stakeholder Involvement:** While this criterion is sufficiently addressed, it would benefit from a discussion regarding the potential existence of barriers to involvement in the stakeholder process. **Climate Change:** The plan doesn't clearly state how or if the list of vulnerabilities is prioritized.

IRWM Plan Standard: Governance					Overall Standard Sufficient	Yes	
Requirement	Included		Plan Standard Source		Evidence of Sufficiency	Sufficient	
From IRWM Guidelines	y/n - Present/Not Present in the IRWMP. If y/n/q qualitative evaluation needed.		2012 IRWM Grant Program Guidelines Source Page(s)	Regulatory and/or Other Citations	Location of Standard in Grantee IRWM Plan	Brief Evaluation Narrative	y/n
Document a governance structure to ensure updates to the IRWM Plan							
The name of the RWMG responsible for implementation of the IRWMP	y/n	y	18/35	CWC §10539	Sec. 1.2, pg 1-4	Watersheds Coalition of Ventura County (WCVC)	y
A description of the IRWM governance structure	y/n	y	19/36		Sec. 4.3.2 & Appendix E & F		y
A description of how the chosen form of governance addresses and ensures:							
Public outreach and involvement processes	y/n/q	y	19/36-37	§10540 , §10541	Sec. 4.2 & Table 4-1	Section 4.2 describes the public outreach and stakeholder involvement, and Table 4-1 lists all the stakeholders and participants involved in developing the IRWM plan, adopted the IRWM plan or provided a letter of support, provided participated at some other level.	y
Effective decision making	y/n/q	y	19/37		Sec. 4.3.3	When actions are required, such as adoption of or revision to the Charter, MOU, project list, goals, or other actions that require formal support of the WCVC, the recommendations flow from the watershed committees, to the Steering Committee, to the General Membership group, which has the final decision-making authority. Consensus has always been the goal and through informal "voting," has almost always been achieved.	y
Balanced access and opportunity for participation in the IRWM process	y/n/q	y	19/37		Sec. 4.2, 4.3 & 4.3.8	Section 4.2 describes how stakeholders are identified and become engaged in the process, and Section 4.3 describes the roles stakeholders can hold in the governance and decision making process.	y
Effective communication – both internal and external to the IRWM region	y/n/q	y	19/37-38		Sec. 4.3.7 & 4.4	Section 4.3.7 describes the internal communication methods used to solicit input and inform stakeholders during the process, which include many face-to-face meetings. Section 4.4 describes the communication methods used with surrounding IRWM regions, state and federal agencies, and other external entities.	y
Long term implementation of the IRWM Plan	y/n/q	y	19/38		Sec. 1.1, 1.2, & 4.3.5	The document demonstrates significant collaboration and coordination between stakeholders for water management planning and implementation activities, over a historically long period of time.	y
Coordination with neighboring IRWM efforts and State and federal agencies	y/n/q	y	19/38		Sec. 4.4	Section 4.4.1 provides a detailed description of the coordination and communication with all surrounding IRWM regions. Section 4.4.2 describes the coordination and communication with state and federal agencies.	y

IRWM Plan Standard: Governance					Overall Standard Sufficient		Yes
Requirement	Included		Plan Standard Source		Evidence of Sufficiency		Sufficient
From IRWM Guidelines	y/n - Present/Not Present in the IRWMP. If y/n/q qualitative evaluation needed.		2012 IRWM Grant Program Guidelines Source Page(s)	Regulatory and/or Other Citations	Location of Standard in Grantee IRWM Plan	Brief Evaluation Narrative	y/n
The collaborative process(es) used to establish plan objectives	y/n/q	y	19/38		Sec. 4.2 & 4.3.4	The process for developing the new goals began with discussions and recommendations at the watershed committee level followed by ratification by the Steering Committee and approval by the General Membership. The process was open and inclusive, and the goals were adopted by building consensus among the participants.	y
How interim changes and formal changes to the IRWM Plan will be performed	y/n/q	y	19/38		Sec 4.3.6 & Sec. "About the Plan" page vii	Section 4.3.6 states the process for updating information or adding new projects includes the publication of addendums to the Plan, which serve as interim changes to the Plan that are made in between more formal updates to the Plan. Addendums to the plan were made in 2010 and 2013 both to add new projects to the plan. The only formal update to the plan is the current 2014 plan update. The introduction section to the plan titled "About the Plan" includes information that the plan will be updated every five years.	y
Updating or amending the IRWM Plan	y/n/q	y	19/38		Sec 4.3.6 & Sec. "About the Plan" page vii	Section 4.3.6 states the process for updating information or adding new projects includes the publication of addendums to the Plan, which serve as interim changes to the Plan that are made in between more formal updates to the Plan. Addendums to the plan were made in 2010 and 2013 both to add new projects to the plan. The only formal update to the plan is the current 2014 plan update. The introduction section to the plan titled "About the Plan" includes information that the plan will be updated every five years.	y
Publish NOI to prepare/update the plan; adopt the plan in a public meeting	y/n/q	y	35	CWC §10543		Submitted as 2 separate documents in their plan submittal email.	y

IRWM Plan Standard: Region Description					Overall Standard Sufficient	Yes	
Requirement	Included		Plan Standard Source		Evidence of Sufficiency	Sufficient	
From IRWM Guidelines	y/n - Present/Not Present in the IRWMP. If y/n/q qualitative evaluation needed.		2012 IRWM Grant Program Guidelines Source Page(s)	Legislative Support and/or Other Citations	Location of Standard in Grantee IRWM Plan	Brief Evaluation Narrative	y/n
If applicable, describe and explain how the plan will help reduce dependence on the Delta supply regionally	y/n	y	20	--	Sec. 3.9		y
Describe watersheds and water systems	y/n	y	19/39	PRC §75026.(b)(1) and CWP Update 2009	Sec. 3.3		y
Describe internal boundaries	y/n	y	19/39	--	Sec. 3.2		y
Describe water supplies and demands for minimum 20 year planning horizon	y/n	y	19/39	--	Sec. 3.4	The plan only states water supply and demand factors in a qualitative manner. There is no quantitative analysis for water supply and demand projections plus there are no projections that cover the planning horizon. The plan states that current water use is unknown and they can only make very general estimates of use. The plan also states that the WVCV is currently performing a supply and demand analysis that will be included in future updates.	N
Describe water quality conditions	y/n	n	19/40	--	Sec. 3.5		y
Describe social and cultural makeup, including specific information on DACs and tribal communities in the region and their water challenges.	y/n/q	y	19/40	--	Sec. 3.6	Section 3.6 addresses the social and cultural makeup for the region, including DACs, tribes and their water challenges.	y
Describe major water related objectives and conflicts *	y/n/q	y	19/40	§10541.(e)(3)	Sec. 3.7	Section 3.7 describes all the major water related issues, goals, objectives, and challenges in the region.	y
Explain how IRWM regional boundary was determined and why region is an appropriate area for IRWM planning.	y/n/q	y	19/40	--	Sec. 3.1	Boundary is based on major watersheds and a good working relationship among most water related agencies, that have been working together for numerous years.	y
Describe neighboring and/or overlapping IRWM efforts	y/n	y	19/40	--	Sec. 3.8	Section 3.8 describes the surrounding IRWM regions and areas of mutual interest and coordination.	y
Explain how opportunities are maximized (e.g. people at the table, natural features, infrastructure) for integration of water management activities	y/n	y	38	--	Sec 3.7.3, 5.2 & 7.6		y

* Requirement must be addressed.

IRWM Plan Standard: Objectives					Overall Standard Sufficient	Yes	
Requirement	Included		Plan Standard Source		Evidence of Sufficiency	Sufficient	
From IRWM Guidelines	y/n - Present/Not Present in the IRWMP. If y/n/q qualitative evaluation needed.		2012 IRWM Grant Program Guidelines Source Page(s)	Legislative Support and/or Other Citations	Location of Standard in Grantee IRWM Plan	Brief Qualitative Narrative	y/n
Through the objectives or other areas of the plan, the 7 items on pg 41 of GL are addressed.*	y/n	y	20/40 - 41	§10540.(c)	Sec 5.1		y
Describe the collaborative process and tools used to establish objectives: - How the objectives were developed - What information was considered (i.e., water management or local land use plans, etc.) - What groups were involved in the process - How the final decision was made and accepted by the IRWM effort	y/n	y	20/41	--	Sec 5.2, 4.2 & 4.3.4		y
Identify quantitative or qualitative metrics and measurable objectives: Objectives must be measurable - there must be some metric the IRWM region can use to determine if the objective is being met as the IRWM Plan is implemented. Neither quantitative nor qualitative metrics are considered inherently better. *	y/n/q	y	20/41 - 42	10541.(e)	Sec. 5.3 & Table 5-1	Table 5-1 lists the goals & objectives followed by the quantitative or qualitative metrics used to determine if the objective is being met as implementation progresses.	y
Explain how objectives are prioritized or reason why the objectives are not prioritized	y/n/q	y	20/42-43	--	Sec. 5.1.3	The objectives are not prioritized since the stakeholders in the WCVV expressed - in meetings held to adopt the goals and objectives - the belief that they are all of equal importance and in fact work synergistically together to guide the Region in better management of water resources.	y
Reference specific overall goals for the region: RWMGs may choose to use goals as an additional layer for organizing and prioritizing objectives, or they may choose to not use the term at all.	y/n	y	43	--	Sec. 5.1		y

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IRWM Plan Standard: Resource Management Strategies (RMS)					Overall Standard Sufficient	Yes	
Requirement	Included		Plan Standard Source		Evidence of Sufficiency	Sufficient	
From IRWM Guidelines	y/n - Present/Not Present in the IRWMP. If y/n/q qualitative evaluation needed.		2012 IRWM Grant Program Guidelines Source Page(s)	Legislative Support and/or Other Citations	Location of Standard in Grantee IRWM Plan	Brief Evaluation Narrative	y/n
Identify RMS incorporated in the IRWM Plan: Consider all California Water Plan (CWP) RMS criteria (29) listed in Table 3 from the CWP Update 2009 *	y/n	y	20/43	CWP Update 2009 Volume II; 10541(e)(1)	Sec. 6.2, 6.3 & Table 6-1		y
Consideration of climate change effects on the IRWM region must be factored into RMS	y/n	y	20/43	--	Section 6-5, Tables 6-2 & 6-3		y
Address which RMS will be implemented in achieving IRWM Plan Objectives	y/n	y	44	--	Sec 6.3, 6.4 & Sections within Appendices A, B & C		y

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IRWM Plan Standard: Integration					Overall Standard Sufficient	Yes	
Requirement	Included		Plan Standard Source		Evidence of Sufficiency	Sufficient	
From IRWM Guidelines	y/n - Present/Not Present in the IRWMP. If y/n/q qualitative evaluation needed.		2012 IRWM Grant Program Guidelines Source Page(s)	Legislative Support and/or Other Citations	Location of Standard in Grantee IRWM Plan	Brief Evaluation Narrative	y/n
Contains structure and processes for developing and fostering integration ¹ : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Stakeholder/institutional - Resource - Project implementation 	y/n/q	y	20/44 - 45	§10540.(g) ; §10541.(h)(2)	Section 3.7.3, 4.2, 4.3 & 7.6	All of these sections describe stakeholder, institutional, resource, and project integration.	y

1. If not included as an individual section use Governance, Project Review Process, and Data Management Standards per November 2012 Guidelines, p. 44.

IRWM Plan Standard: Project Review Process					Overall Standard Sufficient	Yes		
Requirement	Included		Plan Standard Source		Evidence of Sufficiency			
From IRWM Guidelines	y/n - Present/Not Present in the IRWMP. If y/n/q qualitative evaluation needed.		2012 IRWM Grant Program Guidelines Source Page(s)	Regulatory and/or Other Citations	Location of Standard in Grantee IRWM Plan	Brief Evaluation Narrative	Sufficient	
							y/n	
Process for projects included in IRWM plan must address 3 components: - procedures for submitting projects - procedures for reviewing projects - procedures for communicating lists of selected projects	y/n	y	20/45	§75028.(a)	Sec 7.2		y	
Does the project review process in the plan incorporate the following factors:								
How a project contributes to plan objectives	y/n	y	20		Sec. 7.3			y
How a project is related to Resource Management Strategies identified in the plan.	y/n	y	20		Sec. 7.3			y
The technical feasibility of a project.	y/n	y	20		Sec. 7.3			y
A projects specific benefits to a DAC water issue.	y/n	y	20		Sec. 7.3			y
Environmental Justice considerations.	y/n	y	20		Sec. 7.3			y
Project costs and financing	y/n	y	20		Sec. 7.3			y
Address economic feasibility	y/n	y	21		Sec. 7.3			y
Project status	y/n	y	21		Sec. 7.3			y
Strategic implementation of plan and project merit	y/n	y	21/48			The review process does not seem to use the factor of strategic implementation of plan and project merit.		N
Project's contribution to climate change adaptation	y/n	y	21		Section 7.3.1, Table 7-3			y
Contribution of project in reducing GHGs compared to project alternatives	y/n	y	21		Section 7.3.1, Table 7-3, and Section 13.3			y
Status of the Project Proponent's IRWM plan adoption	y/n	y	21			The review process does not seem to consider the factor of the status of a project proponent's adoption of the IRWM plan.		N
Project's contribution to reducing dependence on Delta supply (for IRWM regions receiving water from the Delta).	y/n	y	21		Sec. 7.3			y

IRWM Plan Standard: Impact and Benefit					Overall Standard Sufficient	Yes	
Requirement	Included		Plan Standard Source		Evidence of Sufficiency	Sufficient	
From IRWM Guidelines	y/n - Present/Not Present in the IRWMP. If y/n/q qualitative evaluation needed.		2012 IRWM Grant Program Guidelines Source Page(s)	Legislative Support and/or Other Citations	Location of Standard in Grantee IRWM Plan	Brief Evaluation Narrative	y/n
Discuss potential impacts and benefits of plan implementation within IRWM region, between regions, with DAC/EJ concerns and Native American Tribal communities	y/n	y	21	--	Sec 8.2 & 8.4		y
State when a more detailed project-specific impact and benefit analysis will occur (prior to any implementation activity)	y/n	y	49	--	Sec 8.4.1		y
Review and update the impacts and benefits section of the plan as part of the normal plan management activities	y/n	y	50	--	Sec 8.1		y

IRWM Plan Standard: Plan Performance and Monitoring					Overall Standard Sufficient	Yes	
Requirement	Included		Plan Standard Source		Evidence of Sufficiency	Sufficient	
From IRWM Guidelines	y/n - Present/Not Present in the IRWMP. If y/n/q qualitative evaluation needed.		2012 IRWM Grant Program Guidelines Source Page(s)	Legislative Support and/or Other Citations	Location of Standard in Grantee IRWM Plan	Brief Evaluation Narrative	y/n
Contain performance measures and monitoring methods to ensure that IRWM objectives are met *	y/n	y	21/53	PRC §75026.(a)	Sec. 10.1		y
Contain a methodology that the RWMG will use to oversee and evaluate implementation of projects.	y/n	y	21/53		Sec. 10.1.3		y

* Requirement must be addressed.

IRWM Plan Standard: Data Management					Overall Standard Sufficient	Yes	
Requirement	Included		Plan Standard Source		Evidence of Sufficiency	Sufficient	
From IRWM Guidelines	y/n - Present/Not Present in the IRWMP. If y/n/q qualitative evaluation needed.		2012 IRWM Grant Program Guidelines Source Page(s)	Regulatory and/or Other Citations	Location of Standard in Grantee IRWM Plan	Brief Evaluation Narrative	y/n
Describe data needs within the IRWM region	y/n	y	54	--	Sec. 9.2.2		y
Describe typical data collection techniques	y/n	y	54	--	Sec. 9.1 & 9.2.1		y
Describe stakeholder contributions of data to a data management system	y/n	y	54	--	Sec 9.2.1 & Table 9-1		y
Describe the entity responsible for maintaining data in the data management system	y/n	y	54	--	Sec 9.2.1 & Table 9-1		y
Describe the QA/QC measures for data	y/n	y	54	--		The plan does not describe the QA/QC measures that will be used for data submitted to the DMS.	N
Explain how data collected will be transferred or shared between members of the RWMG and other interested parties throughout the IRWM region, including local, State, and federal agencies *	y/n	y	54	--	Sec 9.2.3		y
Explain how the Data Management System supports the RWMG's efforts to share collected data	y/n	y	54	--	Sec 9.2.3		y
Outline how data saved in the data management system will be distributed and remain compatible with State databases including CEDEN, Water Data Library (WDL), CASGEM, California Environmental Information Catalog (CEIC), and the California Environmental Resources Evaluation System (CERES).	y/n	n	54	--		The plan mentions a number of state databases that were used in the development of the IRWM plan (Table 9-2), but the plan never does not outline how applicable data in the DMS will be distributed or made available to State data bases.	N

* Requirement must be addressed.

IRWM Plan Standard: Finance				Overall Standard Sufficient		Yes	
Requirement	Included		Plan Standard Source	Evidence of Sufficiency		Sufficient	
From IRWM Guidelines	y/n - Present/Not Present in the IRWMP. If y/n/q qualitative evaluation needed.		2012 IRWM Grant Program Guidelines Source Page(s)	Legislative Support and/or Other Citations	Location of Standard in Grantee IRWM Plan	Brief Evaluation Narrative	y/n
Include a programmatic level (i.e. general) plan for implementation and financing of identified projects and programs* including the following:	y/n	y	21	§10541.(e)(8)	Section 10.2		y
List known, as well as, possible funding sources, programs, and grant opportunities for the development and ongoing funding of the IRWM Plan.	y/n	y	21		Sec. 10.2.1 & Table 10-5		y
List the funding mechanisms, including water enterprise funds, rate structures, and private financing options, for projects that implement the IRWM Plan.	y/n	y	21		Sec. 10.2.1 & Table 10-5		y
An explanation of the certainty and longevity of known or potential funding for the IRWM Plan and projects that implement the Plan.	y/n	y	21		Sec 10.2.2	The plan describes some alternative funding options that demonstrate creative and progressive thinking, but the plan does not address the certainty and longevity for project implementation funding.	N
An explanation of how operation and maintenance (O&M) costs for projects that implement the IRWM Plan would be covered and the certainty of operation and maintenance funding.	y/n	y	21		Sec 10.2.3		y

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IRWM Plan Standard: Technical Analysis					Overall Standard Sufficient	Yes	
Requirement	Included		Plan Standard Source		Evidence of Sufficiency	Sufficient	
From IRWM Guidelines	y/n - Present/Not Present in the IRWMP. If y/n/q qualitative evaluation needed.		2012 IRWM Grant Program Guidelines Source Page(s)	Legislative Support and/or Other Citations	Location of Standard in Grantee IRWM Plan	Brief Evaluation Narrative	y/n
Document the data and technical analyses that were used in the development of the plan *	y/n	y	22	--	Sec. 9.3 & Chapter 11		y

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IRWM Plan Standard: Relation to Local Water Planning					Overall Standard Sufficient	Yes	
Requirement	Included		Plan Standard Source		Evidence of Sufficiency	Sufficient	
From IRWM Guidelines	y/n - Present/Not Present in the IRWMP. If y/n/q qualitative evaluation needed.		2012 IRWM Grant Program Guidelines Source Page(s)	Legislative Support and/or Other Citations	Location of Standard in Grantee IRWM Plan	Brief Evaluation Narrative	y/n
Identify a list of local water plans used in the IRWM plan	y/n	y	22	§10540.(b)	Sec. 11.1		y
Discuss how the plan relates to these other planning documents and programs	y/n	y	22		Sec. 11.1		y
Describe the dynamics between the IRWM plan and other planning documents	y/n	y	22		Sec. 11.1 & 11.2		y
Describe how the RWMG will coordinate its water mgmt planning activities	y/n	y	58		Sec. 11.2		y

IRWM Plan Standard: Relation to Local Land Use Planning					Overall Standard Sufficient	Yes	
Requirement	Included		Plan Standard Source		Evidence of Sufficiency	Sufficient	
From IRWM Guidelines	y/n - Present/Not Present in the IRWMP. If y/n/q qualitative evaluation needed.		2012 IRWM Grant Program Guidelines Source Page(s)	Legislative Support and/or Other Citations	Location of Standard in Grantee IRWM Plan	Brief Evaluation Narrative	y/n
Document current relationship between local land use planning, regional water issues, and water management objectives	y/n	y	22/59 - 62	--	Sec. 12.1, 12.2 & 12.3		y
Document future plans to further a collaborative, proactive relationship between land use planners and water managers	y/n	y	22/59 - 62	--	Sec. 12.4		y

IRWM Plan Standard: Stakeholder Involvement					Overall Standard Sufficient	Yes	
Requirement	Included		Plan Standard Source		Evidence of Sufficiency	Sufficient	
From IRWM Guidelines	y/n - Present/Not Present in the IRWMP. If y/n/q qualitative evaluation needed.		2012 IRWM Grant Program Guidelines Source Page(s)	Legislative Support and/or Other Citations	Location of Standard in Grantee IRWM Plan	Brief Evaluation Narrative	y/n
Contain a public process that provides outreach and opportunity to participate in the IRWM plan *	y/n	y	22/63	§10541.(g)	Sec 4.2		y
Identify process to involve and facilitate stakeholders during development and implementation of plan regardless of ability to pay; include barriers to involvement *	y/n	y	64	§10541.(h) (2)	Sec 4.2, 4.3.2 & 4.3.4	While this criterion is sufficiently addressed, it would benefit from a discussion regarding the potential existence of barriers to involvement in the stakeholder process.	y
Discuss involvement of DACs and tribal communities in the IRWM planning effort	y/n	y	23	--	Sec 4.2.4		y
Describe decision-making process and roles that stakeholders can occupy	y/n	y	23	--	Sec 4.3.2 & 4.3.3		y
Discuss how stakeholders are necessary to address objectives and RMS	y/n	n	23	--	Sec 4.2.6		y
Discuss how a collaborative process will engage a balance in interest groups	y/n	y	23	--	Sec 4.1, 4.2 & 4.3.8		y

* Requirement must be addressed.

IRWM Plan Standard: Coordination					Overall Standard Sufficient	Yes	
Requirement	Included		Plan Standard Source		Evidence of Sufficiency	Sufficient	
From IRWM Guidelines	y/n - Present/Not Present in the IRWMP. If y/n/q qualitative evaluation needed.		2012 IRWM Grant Program Guidelines Source Page(s)	Legislative Support and/or Other Citations	Location of Standard in Grantee IRWM Plan	Brief Evaluation Narrative	y/n
Identify the process to coordinate water management projects and activities of participating local agencies and stakeholders to avoid conflicts and take advantage of efficiencies *	y/n	y	23/65	§10541.(e)(13)	Sec. 3.7, 4.2, 4.3, 5.1, 5.2, & 7.6		y
Identify neighboring IRWM efforts and ways to cooperate or coordinate, and a discussion of any ongoing water management conflicts with adjacent IRWM efforts	y/n	y	23/65	--	Sec. 4.4.1		y
Identify areas where a state agency or other agencies may be able to assist in communication or cooperation, or implementation of IRWM Plan components, processes, and projects, or where State or federal regulatory decisions are required before implementing the projects.	y/n	y	23	--	Sec. 4.4.2		y

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IRWM Plan Standard: Climate Change					Overall Standard Sufficient	Yes	
Requirement	Included		Plan Standard Source		Evidence of Sufficiency	Sufficient	
From IRWM Guidelines	y/n - Present/Not Present in the IRWMP. If y/n/q qualitative evaluation needed.		2012 IRWM Grant Program Guidelines Source Page(s)	Legislative Support and/or Other Citations	Location of Standard in Grantee IRWM Plan	Brief Evaluation Narrative	y/n
Evaluate IRWM region's vulnerabilities to climate change and potential adaptation responses based on vulnerabilities assessment in the DWR Climate Change Handbook for Regional Water Planning *	y/n	y	23/66 - 73	Climate Change Handbook vulnerability assessment: http://www.water.ca.gov/climatechange/CCHandbook.cfm ; November 2012 Guidelines Legislative and Policy Context, p. 66 §10541.(e)(11)	Vulnerabilities in Sections 3.4.4 and 13.1; Adaptation in Sections 13.2, and 6-5		y
Provide a process that considers GHG emissions when choosing between project alternatives *	y/n	y	23/68		Sections 13.3 and 7.3.1; Table 7-3		y
Include a list of prioritized vulnerabilities based on the vulnerability assessment and the IRWM's decision making process.	y/n	y	23/66 - 73		Section 13.1	The plan doesn't clearly state how or if the list of vulnerabilities is prioritized.	N
Contain a plan, program, or methodology for further data gathering and analysis of prioritized vulnerabilities	y/n	y	23/66 - 73		Sections 13.4 and 9		y
Include climate change as part of the project review process	y/n	y	23/68		Section 7.3.1, Table 7-3		y

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Regulatory Citation	Link	Notes
IRWM Prop 84 and 1E Guidelines	http://www.water.ca.gov/irwm/grants/docs/Guidelines/GL_2012_FINAL.pdf	DWR November 2012 Guidelines - Final
CWC §10539	http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/displaycode?section=wat&group=10001-11000&file=10532-10539	
CWC §10540, §10541	http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/displaycode?section=wat&group=10001-11000&file=10540-10543	
CWC §10543	http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/displaycode?section=wat&group=10001-11000&file=10540-10543	
PRC §75026, §75028, CWP Update 2009, and California Watershed Portal	http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/displaycode?section=prc&group=75001-76000&file=75020-75029.5	The Department of Water Resources shall give preference to proposals that satisfy the criteria specified in PRC §75026.(b)(1). §75028.(a) - the department shall defer to approved local project selection, and review projects only for consistency with the purposes of Section 75026.
	http://www.waterplan.water.ca.gov/cwpu2009/index.cfm	2009 California Water Plan Volumes I and II
	http://www.conservation.ca.gov/dlrp/watershedportal/Pages/Index.aspx	California Watershed Portal
§10541. (e)(3)	http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/displaycode?section=wat&group=10001-11000&file=10540-10543	