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Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments on the Integrated Regional Water Management Grant Program. Contra Costa Water District requests that the Department of Water Resources consider the comments below as you begin to develop guidelines for this Program.

- The guidelines need to clarify that a grant-funded project which is physically located outside of the region boundary but benefits the region is qualified to receive grant funds from within the region that receives the benefits of the project.
- The Delta is in crisis and there is no Delta region defined in the IRWMP guidelines. Water quality is steadily declining, causing serious reductions in the populations of sensitive fish species. A substantial amount of the \$100 million interregional funding needs to be dedicated to projects within the statutory Delta.

Thank you for your consideration,
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