



PROPOSAL EVALUATION

IRWM Grant Program – Local Groundwater Assistance, FY 2012-2013

Applicant	Elsinore-Murrieta-Anza Resource Conservation District	County	Riverside
Project Title	Anza-Terwilliger Groundwater Monitoring Program and Groundwater Recharge Map	Grant Request	\$ 117,500.00
		Total Project Cost	\$ 136,500.00

Project Description: The project develops and implements a Groundwater Monitoring Program, updates a soils map, develops a Groundwater Recharge Map, and conducts a public outreach effort as steps towards the future development and adoption of a Groundwater Management Plan.

Evaluation Summary:

Scoring Criterion	Score
GWMP or Program	0
Technical Adequacy of Work to be Performed	4
Work Plan	8
Budget	5
Schedule	5
QA/QC	5
Past Performance	2
Geographical Balance	0
Total Score	29

- **GWMP or Program:** No GWMP has been adopted or has been formally proposed at this time. However, the applicant expresses interest in developing a GWMP; the local stakeholder’s group, the Anza Groundwater Association, “desires to pursue opportunities that would result in the development of a comprehensive GWMP.” The applicant is proposing two tasks, the development of a groundwater monitoring program and a groundwater recharge map, represents two important steps in developing a GWMP. However, the current proposed project does not include the development of a GWMP.
- **Technical Adequacy of Work to be Performed:** The criterion is addressed but is not thoroughly documented. The goals of the project, as they relate to supporting a future GWMP, are well described. However, specific technical details of the proposed project are somewhat limited. The work plan states that the water level monitoring program will include, if possible, 108 wells monitored by the USGS in 2005, and that approximately 30 wells will be sampled for water quality analyses, but no map locations for the wells are provided. Also, the applicant does not indicate how often or under what funding mechanism monitoring wells will continued to be monitored and data management systems updated and maintained once grant funding is expended.
- **Work Plan:** The criterion is addressed but is not thoroughly documented. The applicant describes what will be done and what the product will be, but there is insufficient detail needed to determine how the work will be performed. Also, while the applicant proposes to solicit access to private property through the stakeholder outreach process, the proposal does not present any assurance that access to private property will be granted.
- **Budget:** The criterion is fully addressed with thorough and well-presented documentation. The details and assumptions provided in the budget are clear and appear reasonable in meeting the proposal’s objectives. The cost share and grant share amounts are broken down by tasks and are consistent with the work plan and schedule.
- **Schedule:** The criterion is fully addressed with thorough and well-presented documentation. The timelines are realistic for the work to be performed and agree with work plan sequencing and the budget. The start and end dates are within the PSP designated time frame. Work will begin in April 2013.



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- **QA/QC:** The criterion is fully addressed with thorough and well-presented documentation. The Quality Assurance Program (QAP) includes well-defined, project-specific data quality objectives and appropriate QA/QC measures that is consistent with the work plan. The QAP includes detailed description of personnel qualifications, laboratory qualifications (including identification of two qualified labs), task-by-task QA/QC descriptions, environmental compliance, and reports.

- **Past Performance:** The criterion is marginally addressed and documentation is incomplete and insufficient. The applicant appears to have only limited experience performing projects similar to the proposed project. The applicant does not provide any documentation that demonstrates successful past performance. The applicant reports providing management and fieldwork support for a number of projects conducted in partnership with other agencies, including a grant from the California State Department of Parks and Recreation. However, the applicant apparently does not have previous experience as a lead agency.