COMMITTEE REPORT

Date: June 7, 2012
To: WRA Board and Alternates
From: WRA Technical Committee (TC)
Subject: Technical Committee Report
FY2012-13 WRA Project Fund Recommendations

Recommendations
Approve the Project Fund recommendations and incorporate into the WRA FY2012-13 final budget.

Background
The WRA TC meets monthly to implement Board priorities with a focus on making progress on actions contained in the 2007 IRWMP and developing strategies to pursue and secure outside funding opportunities. The TC also provides annual recommendations to the Board on the proposed budget allocations for the non-administrative portion of the WRA budget (a.k.a Project Fund).

FY2012-13 WRA Budget - Project Fund Allocation Recommendations
Table 1 below lists the projects the TC has reviewed and recommended for WRA funding for inclusion in the FY2012-13 WRA budget. All of the projects are related to actions contained in the Yolo County IRWMP. Historically the WRA Project Fund has been leveraged with other funding sources to facilitate implementation of a wide range of WRA priority actions.

**TABLE 1**
Recommended FY12-13 WRA Project Fund Allocations

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<th>Project Description</th>
<th>WRA Funding</th>
<th>Local Match</th>
<th>Total Project Costs</th>
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<tr>
<td>Foundational Action: Develop Surface Water Monitoring Program (2-Year Effort)</td>
<td>$35,000</td>
<td>YCFCWCD</td>
<td>$140,000</td>
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<td>Yolo Bypass Integrated Action- Yolo Bypass Working Group</td>
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<td>Yolo Basin Foundation</td>
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<td>Westside IRWMP/ Proposition 84 Funding, Westside MOU – Year 2</td>
<td>$23,864</td>
<td>WRA Cost Share</td>
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<td>Groundwater Management Plan Implementation – Install 2 monitoring wells</td>
<td>$24,358</td>
<td>City of Woodland</td>
<td>$175,000</td>
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<td>Mercury TMDL Impacts &amp; Implementation Assessment (cooperative effort)</td>
<td>$19,080</td>
<td>YCFCWCD</td>
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<td>Pilot Study Co-removal of Chromium 6 and Nitrate from Groundwater</td>
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<td>City of Davis SWRCB RWA</td>
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<td>Water Rights Legislative &amp; Regulatory Consulting - NCWA</td>
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<td>In-kind</td>
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<td><strong>TOTAL</strong></td>
<td><strong>$145,660</strong></td>
<td><strong>$1,757,080</strong></td>
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The baseline budget for FY12-13 Project Fund is anticipated to be $99,376 based on 57% of the total WRA membership contributions to be received. In FY11-12, several projects did not fully utilize all of their funding allocation during FY11-12. Therefore, the total carryover funds from FY11-12 is $46,284 that was added to the FY12-13 Project Fund for allocation.

**Recent TC Highlights:**
- Developed FY12-13 WRA Project Fund budget recommendations for Board consideration;
- Continued Prop. 84 regional planning effort to develop the Westside IRWMP through the Westside MOU process;
- Continued compliance with the legislated California Statewide Groundwater Elevation Program (CASGEM) for the WRA to become the Program’s approved Yolo County Monitoring Entity;
- Preparing to apply for next round of AB303 funding with regional project submittal requesting $250,000 in grant funds;
- Preparing to apply for next round of Agricultural Water Use Efficiency funding this Summer once the final application is made available to receive funding requests;
- Participated in 2012 Sac Metro Chamber Cap-2-Cap process;
- Monitored status of various project funding sources (e.g. AB303, Prop. 84, other) and will recommend pursuit of opportunities that benefit WRA members;
- Received update on Dunnigan Water District’s AB303 grant funded project to install two dedicated groundwater monitoring wells;
- Received update on North Bay Aqueduct water supply project from DWR;
- Received update from NCWA on related activities;
- Received update on YCFCWCD’s AB303 grant funded project: Regional Conjunctive Use Enhancement, Stakeholder Input on Nitrate and Recharge Results;
- Received annual update on the Yolo County Groundwater Monitoring Program including overall conditions and accomplishments;
- Developed framework for initial Yolo County Surface Water Monitoring Program efforts to be implemented during FYs 2011-12 and 2012-13;
- Received updates on various member agency projects;
- Continued participation in water legislation process and assessed impacts for WRA member agencies and stakeholders (special thanks to YCFCWCD and Yolo County);
- Stayed abreast of progress on the Delta, Bay-Delta Conservation Plan, and related processes.

**Attachments:**
Recommended FY12-13 WRA Project Fund Budget