

A large, vertical photograph of the Golden Gate Bridge in San Francisco, California. The bridge's iconic red-orange towers and suspension cables are the central focus, set against a bright blue sky with scattered white clouds. The bridge spans across the water, with a rocky shoreline and waves visible in the foreground.

# **SECTION F**

## **Regional Priorities**





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## Acronyms Appearing in this Section

ACREEC	Alhambra Creek Restoration and Environmental Education Collaborative
ACWD	Alameda County Water District
ADLL	Arroyo de la Laguna
C/CAG	City and County Association of Governments
CCC FC&WCD	Contra Costa County Flood Control and Water Conservation District
CCCSD	Central Contra Costa Sanitary District
CCWD	Contra Costa Water District
CDFG	California Department of Fish and Game
CIP	Capital Improvement Program
CWA	County Water Agency
DDSD	Delta Diablo Sanitation District
EBMUD	East Bay Municipal Utility District
FAD	functional area document
FAs	Functional Areas
FP-SM	Flood Protection and Stormwater Management
GGNRA	Golden Gate National Recreation Area
GIS	geographical information system
IRWM	Integrated Regional Water Management
IRWMP	Integrated Regional Water Management Plan
JPA	Joint Powers Authority
MMWD	Marin Municipal Water District
MWSD	Montara Water and Sanitary District
NPS	Non-point source
RARE	Richmond Advanced Recycled Expansion
RCD	Resource Conservation District
RWQCB	Regional Water Quality Control Board
SCC	State Coastal Conservancy



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SCVWD	Santa Clara Valley Water District
SFPUC	San Francisco Public Utilities Commission
STOPPP	Stormwater Pollution Prevention Program
SWRCB	State Water Resources Control Board
WM-HP&R	Watershed Management, Habitat Protection and Restoration
WS-WQ	Water Supply and Water Quality
WW-RW	Wastewater and Recycled Water
Zone 7	Zone 7 Water Agency



## Section F Regional Priorities

### *IRWMP Appendix A Guidelines*

#### *Section F: Regional Priorities*

- *Include short-term and long-term priorities for implementation of the Plan. Discuss the process for modifying priorities in response to regional changes.*

The Bay Area entities participating in development of this IRWMP established priorities for regional implementation through a collaborative planning process. These priorities distinguished between short- and long-term implementation priorities across four functional areas of water management (Water Supply and Water Quality; Wastewater and Recycled Water; Flood Protection and Stormwater Management; and Watershed Management and Habitat Protection and Restoration).

This section presents the prioritization process, and short- and long-term priorities for implementation. It is important to note that many of the public agencies and entities participating in the Bay Area IRWMP planning process are themselves committed to a host of short-term and long-term priorities that follow the mandate of their organizations. The priorities described below represent a regional focus, and are not necessarily the same as the individual priorities of participating agencies.

### F.1 Prioritization Process

The Bay Area project prioritization process involved the following steps:

1. Screen Projects for Inclusion in the IRWMP.
2. Assemble IRWMP Projects into Cohorts.
3. Identify Prioritization Criteria.
4. Assess Projects with Respect to Criteria.

Additional information on each assessment step and the results of the project assessment are provided below.

#### Step 1: Screen Projects for Inclusion in the IRWMP

This step involved screening the projects included within each of the four Functional Area Documents (included as Appendix B) to determine which projects should be advanced to the IRWMP. The projects that made it through the screening process and were advanced to the IRWMP are listed in Section D: *Water Management Strategies*. As described in the following paragraphs, the screening method and criteria used to advance projects to the IRWMP varied by FAD.

**Water Supply and Water Quality.** In developing the WS-WQ FAD, Bay Area water agencies elected not to include an exhaustive list of all the projects and programs included within their Capital Improvement Programs (CIPs), but rather a small fraction of projects that met the following criteria:

- Involves participation of multiple agencies
- Achieves water supply and water quality objectives set forth in the FAD
- Provides multiple benefits
- Is ready to proceed
- Has 10% local funding match



Since the list of projects included within the WS-WQ FAD was already limited based on criteria consistent with Proposition 50, all 37 of the water supply and water quality projects were advanced to the IRWMP. One additional WS-WQ project identified as part of a call-for-projects during development of this Plan was also included in the list following review and confirmation that the project was consistent with the goals and objectives of the WS-WQ FAD and met the criteria for inclusion in the IRWMP.

**Wastewater and Recycled Water.** The 46 projects included in the WW-RW FAD were identified based on the stated goals and objectives of Proposition 50. These projects were then grouped three tiers based on readiness to proceed. Only the top two tiers of projects (24 in total) were advanced to the IRWMP. This list included many of the same projects identified in the WS-WQ FAD since recycled water was also considered in both documents. Eight additional WW-RW projects identified as part of a call-for-projects during development of this Plan were also included in the list following review and confirmation that the projects were consistent with the goals and objectives of the WW-RW FAD and met the criteria for inclusion in the IRWMP.

**Flood Protection and Stormwater Management.** Projects included in the FP-SM FAD were identified through a call for projects. A special workshop was then held on May 24, 2006 where these short-listed projects were reviewed in conjunction with the short list of watershed projects to identify possibly synergies, reduce redundancies, and find other opportunities to economize the project development process while maximizing the project benefits. A total of 143 projects were collected, representing both specific flood protection/stormwater management projects as well as broader projects that sought regional solutions for common issues. These projects were then evaluated according to the following criteria:

- Contributes to public health, safety, economic protection, and protection of streams
- Promotes partnerships and regional benefits
- Supports other IRWMP functional areas

Based on this evaluation, as well as a consideration of project readiness, the list of 143 projects was narrowed down to 48 projects that represented FP-SM priorities.

**Watershed Management, Habitat Protection and Restoration.** The process for identifying and screening projects for the WM-HP&R FAD (aka *Bay Area Watershed Plan*) involved the following steps:

- *Project Identification.* Project proponents were first invited to submit their planned and proposed projects into a regional database. This resulted in an inventory of 650 projects addressing watershed management, habitat protection, and restoration throughout the Bay.
- *Project Tiering.* From this total inventory, projects were organized into two tiers according to their readiness to proceed. Tier 1 included projects that can be implemented immediately upon funding. Tier 1 projects have: a work plan, budget, and schedule; designated lead agency; necessary permits and environmental documentation; and consideration of project financing and ownership. Tier 2 projects are still in early planning or conceptual phases and do not satisfy all of the above conditions. From the inventory of 650 projects, roughly 150 satisfied the Tier 1 "readiness to proceed" qualification.
- *Project Assessment.* The project proponents for the 150 Tier 1 projects were then invited to submit their project for consideration in the IRWMP. Tier 1 projects that wished to be considered for the IRWMP were reviewed for their consistency with Proposition 50 Program Guidelines and the Watershed Plan's project evaluation criteria. Additionally, several multi-benefit projects from the FP-SM FAD were identified for inclusion within the Watershed Plan at a special joint



workshop held on May 24, 2006. In total, project proponents advanced 81 projects to the IRWMP.

- *Project Advancement to the IRWMP.* These 81 projects were evaluated according to the Watershed Plan's scoring framework, with 46 projects reaching the upper echelon to be included as short-term priorities in the San Francisco Bay Area IRWMP.

In total, 127 projects were included in the Bay Area IRWMP.

### Step 2: Assemble Projects into Cohorts

The next step in the prioritization process involved organizing the IRWMP projects into cohorts based on readiness to proceed.

- **Cohort 1** includes projects that are scheduled to have all applicable environmental documentation and permitting complete **before 2010**.
- **Cohort 2** includes projects that are scheduled to have all applicable environmental documentation and permitting complete **between 2010 and 2014**.

The cohorts were defined based on five-year intervals to coincide with future IRWMP work.

### Step 3: Establish Assessment Criteria

The next step in the prioritization process involved identifying assessment criteria for the IRWMP projects. Four main categories of assessment criteria were identified based on input from public workshops and close coordination and communication between the entities involved in development of the plan: IRWMP goals, Bay Area Regional Criteria, Proposition 50 Program Preferences, and Proposition 50 Statewide Priorities. This IRWMP is intended to be a dynamic document that is responsive to changes throughout the region. The assessment criteria included herein include specific criteria targeted to address the Proposition 50 program. As future work is performed, project assessment criteria may be revised to respond to other grant programs as appropriate.

**IRWMP Goals.** Section C: *Objectives* described the goals and objectives for the IRWMP. As described in this section, the regional goals were developed from common interests identified in each of the four FADs. These overarching goals were examined to help frame a regional vision of what the Bay Area IRWMP could achieve. These goals include the following:

- **Contribution to the promotion of economic, social, and environmental sustainability.** Sustainable management of regional water resources ensures a high quality of life for Bay Area residents and wildlife.
- **Contribution to improved supply reliability.** Water supply reliability ensures long-term provision of potable and irrigation water supplies to Bay Area residents.
- **Contribution to the protection and improvement of hydrologic function.** Stable hydrologic and geomorphic functions are necessary components of a region-wide surface water storage and conveyance system.
- **Contribution to the protection and improvement of the quality of water resources.** Maintenance and improvement of water quality is essential for provisions of drinking water supplies and all beneficial uses.



- **Contribution to the protection of public health, safety, and property.** Surface water management involves protection of human life and property from flooding, water quality impairments, and other water resources hazards.
- **Contribution to the creation, protection, enhancement, and maintenance of environmental resources and habitats.** Bay Area water resources provide important wetlands, aquatic and riparian habitats for resident and migrating wildlife species. Sustainable water resources management ensures beneficial use of water supplies by humans and ecosystems.

**Bay Area Regional Criteria.** The following four regional criteria were found to be important to the Bay Area entities developing the regional IRWMP beyond the stated goals mentioned above. These additional criteria reflect some of the local planning issues particular to the Bay Area, as well as, the priority topics that were identified through the functional area analysis.

- *Funding match.* Having a funding match in place generally increases the likelihood that a project will proceed.
- *Regionalism.* The participating entities recognize the importance of highlighting projects that are broad in geographic scope.
- *Partnerships.* As an integrated planning effort, the participating entities determined that the IRWMP should showcase projects with multiple partners.
- *Meets Objectives of Multiple FADs.* In an effort to identify projects that are truly integrated across functional areas, the participating entities have selected to highlight those projects that meet objectives of multiple functional area documents.

**Proposition 50 Program Preferences.** The Proposition 50 Program, through which this effort is being funded, has established specific program preferences. Because the IRWMP is being developed in accordance with the Proposition 50 IRWM Program, the participating agencies have elected to assess projects based on their ability to address the following Proposition 50, Chapter 8 Program Preferences:

- Include integrated projects with multiple benefits
- Support and improve local and regional water supply reliability
- Contribute expeditiously and measurably to the long-term attainment and maintenance of water quality standards
- Eliminate or significantly reduce pollution in impaired waters and sensitive habitat areas, including areas of special biological significance
- Include safe drinking water and water quality projects that serve disadvantaged communities

**Statewide Priorities.** Recognizing the integrated and regional nature of the IRWMP, the participating agencies included the Statewide Priorities set forth in the IRWM Program guidelines as assessment criteria. Additional information on statewide priorities can be found in Section L: *Statewide Priorities*. Specifically, the IRWM Program Guidelines identify the following Statewide Priorities, which have been used as assessment criteria for Bay Area IRWMP projects and programs:

- Reduce conflict between water users or resolve water rights disputes, including interregional water rights issues
- Implementation of Total Maximum Daily Loads that are established or under development



- Implementation of Regional Water Quality Control Board (RWQCB) Watershed Management Initiative Chapters, plans, and policies
- Implementation of the SWRCB's Non-point Source (NPS) Pollution Plan
- Assist in meeting Delta Water Quality Objectives
- Implementation of recommendations of the floodplain management task force, desalination task force, recycling task force, or state species recovery plan
- Address environmental justice concerns
- Assist in achieving one or more goals of the CALFED Bay-Delta Program

#### **Step 4: Assess Projects with Respect to Criteria**

The next step in the project prioritization process involves a qualitative assessment of each of the projects included within the IRWMP. Table F-1 presents the methodology used to assess projects with respect to the projects assessment criteria described in previous sections.

**Table F-1 Project Assessment Methodology<sup>1</sup>**

Category	Criteria	Assessment Methodology
Bay Area IRWMP Regional Goals	Sustainability	<p><b>Full circle.</b> If the project fully addresses a regional goal (i.e., the regional goal coincides with the primary objective of the project) the project received a full circle for that goal. No project could receive more than one full circle in the regional goals portion of the assessment.</p> <p><b>Half circle.</b> If a project addresses multiple regional goals, the project received a full circle for the goal corresponding to its primary objective, and received half circles for the additional goals addressed as secondary objectives.</p> <p><b>Empty circle.</b> If a project indirectly addresses a regional goal (e.g., it allows another project to proceed which does address a regional goal), then the project received an empty circle for that goal.</p> <p><b>Blank.</b> If a project does not address a regional goal at all, the project received no symbol for that goal.</p>
	Supply Reliability	
	Hydrologic Function	
	Water Quality – Drinking Water	
	Water Quality – Receiving Water	
	Environmental Resources	
	Protect Public Health, Safety, Property	
Other Regional Assessment Criteria	Funding Match	<p><b>Full circle.</b> If a ten percent (or higher) funding match is available for the project, the project received a full circle.</p> <p><b>Blank.</b> If a ten percent (or higher) funding match is not available for the project, the project received a blank.</p>

<sup>1</sup> Alternative assessment criteria for disadvantaged community and environmental justice projects have been identified and are included in Appendix F. The assessment criteria included herein may be modified as future work is performed.



Category	Criteria	Assessment Methodology
	Regionalism	<p><b>Full circle.</b> If the project benefits: (1) half or more of the geographic area of the region, (2) two or more major quadrants of the region, (3) two or more Bay Area counties, or (4) two or more major Bay Area watersheds, it received a full circle for regionalism</p> <p><b>Half circle.</b> If the project benefits: (1) more than one full county but less than half the geographic area of the region, (2) more than one major but less than two major quadrants of the region, (3) more than one but less than two Bay Area counties, or (4) more than one but less than two major Bay Area watersheds, it received a half circle for regionalism.</p> <p><b>Empty circle.</b> If the project benefits one full county or major watershed, it received an empty full circle for regionalism.</p> <p><b>Blank.</b> If the project benefits less than one full county or less than one major watershed, the project received no symbol for regionalism.</p>
	Partnerships	<p><b>Full circle.</b> If project involves three or more partners, and the partners include both governmental and non-governmental organizations, the project received a full circle for partnerships.</p> <p><b>Half circle.</b> If project involves three or more partners, the project received a half circle for partnerships.</p> <p><b>Empty circle.</b> If project involves two partners, the project received an empty circle for partnerships.</p> <p><b>Blank.</b> If only one entity is sponsoring the project, the project received no symbol for partnerships.</p>
	Meets Objectives of Multiple FADs	<p><b>Full circle.</b> If the project meets objectives of multiple FADs, it received a full circle.</p> <p><b>Blank.</b> If the project does not meet objectives of multiple FADs, it received a blank.</p>
Prop 50 Program Preferences	Integration	<p><b>Full circle.</b> If the project utilizes multiple water management strategies across three or four Functional Areas (FAs), it received a full circle for integration.</p> <p><b>Half circle.</b> If the project utilizes multiple water management strategies across two Functional Areas (FAs), it received a half circle for integration.</p> <p><b>Empty circle.</b> If the project utilizes multiple water management strategies within one FA, it received an empty circle for integration.</p> <p><b>Blank.</b> If the project utilizes a single water management strategy within one FA, it received a blank for integration.</p>
	Supply Reliability	<p><b>Full circle.</b> If the project fully addresses the Prop 50 program preference (i.e., the program preference coincides with the primary objective of the project), it received a full circle for that goal.</p>
	Water Quality	<p><b>Half circle.</b> If a project addresses a Prop 50 program preference as a secondary objective (i.e., the preference is not the primary focus of the project), it received a half circle for that Prop 50 program preference.</p>
	Pollution/Habitat	<p><b>Empty circle.</b> If a project addresses the Prop 50 program preference as an incidental benefit (e.g., the program preference is not a goal of the project, though it may incidentally be addressed by the project, or the project allows another project which addresses the program preference to proceed), then the project received an empty circle for that program preference.</p>
	DAC Benefits <sup>a</sup>	<p><b>Blank.</b> If a project does not address the Prop 50 program preference at all, the project received a blank for that Prop 50 program preference.</p>

Category	Criteria	Assessment Methodology
Prop 50 Statewide Priorities	Reduce Conflict	<p><b>Full circle.</b> If the project fully addresses the Prop 50 statewide priority (i.e., the statewide priority coincides with the primary objective of the project) it received a full circle for that goal.</p> <p><b>Half circle.</b> If a project addresses a Prop 50 statewide priority as a secondary objective (i.e., the statewide priority is not the primary focus of the project), it received a half circle for that Prop 50 statewide priority.</p> <p><b>Empty circle.</b> If a project indirectly addresses a Prop 50 statewide priority (e.g., it allows another project to proceed which does address a regional goal), then the project received an empty circle for that statewide priority.</p> <p><b>Blank.</b> If a project does not address any Prop 50 statewide priorities at all, the project received a blank for that Prop 50 statewide priority.</p>
	TMDL	
	WMI	
	NPS Pollution Control	
	Delta Water Quality	
	Task Forces	
	Environmental Justice	
	CALFED Goals	

Results from the project assessment are presented in Table F-2.

Table F-2 Project Assessment Results

Projects	Bay Area IRWMP Regional Goals						Bay Area Regional Assessment Criteria					Prop 50 Program Preferences					Prop 50 Statewide Priorities							
	Sustain-ability	Supply Reliability	Hydrologic Function	Water Quality - Drinking Water	Water Quality - Receiving Water	Env. Resources	Public Health, Safety, Property	Funding Match	Regionalism	Partnerships	Meets Objectives of Multiple FADs	Integration	Supply Reliability	Water Quality	Pollution to Habitat	DAC Benefits	Reduce Conflict	TMDL	WMI	NPS Pollution Control	Bay/Delta Water Quality	Task Forces	Env. Justice	CALFED Goals
COHORT 1 PROJECTS																								
1	Adobe Bridge Culvert Removal Project (City of Pacifica)	○	·	○	·	·	●	●	·	·	·	●	○	·	·	·	·	·	·	·	·	○	·	●
2	Adobe Creek Upper Reach 5 Restoration (SCVWD)	●	·	●	·	·	●	●	·	●	●	●	·	·	·	·	·	·	●	·	·	●	·	●
3	Alameda County Partnership for Land Conservation and Stewardship (Alameda County RCD)	●	·	○	·	○	●	·	●	○	●	·	·	○	○	·	·	·	●	○	○	○	·	●
4	Alameda Creek Fishery Enhancement Project (SFPUC)	○	●	●	·	·	●	·	●	○	●	●	·	·	·	·	●	·	·	·	·	·	·	●
5	Alhambra Creek Restoration and Environmental Education Collaborative (ACREEC): John Swett Campus (Muir Heritage Land Trust)	●	·	○	·	○	●	·	●	·	●	○	·	·	·	●	·	·	●	○	○	·	●	●
6	Alhambra Valley Creek Coalition Restoration Project (Urban Creeks Council)	●	·	●	·	●	●	●	·	●	●	●	·	●	●	●	·	·	●	○	○	●	●	●
7	Annadel State Park Erosion Control: Geary Ranch Road to Trail Conversion (California State Parks)	○	·	·	·	●	●	○	·	○	●	●	○	·	○	·	·	·	●	●	●	·	·	●
8	Antioch Recycled Water Implementation (DDSD)	●	●	·	·	●	○	○	●	○	●	○	●	○	○	○	●	○	○	·	○	●	·	●
9	Bair Island Restoration and Management Plan (Don Edwards San Francisco Bay National Wildlife Refuge)	●	·	●	·	·	●	○	●	○	●	·	·	○	·	·	·	·	●	·	·	●	·	●
10	Bay Area Levee Certification (SCVWD)	○	·	·	○	○	●	●	●	●	●	○	·	○	·	●	·	·	·	·	·	●	●	●
11	Bay Area Regional Water Conservation Program (SCVWD)	●	●	·	○	○	·	·	●	●	●	·	●	·	·	○	○	○	○	○	○	·	○	●
12	Bay Water Desalination Plant (MMWD)	·	●	·	·	·	·	○	●	○	○	·	●	·	·	·	●	○	○	·	●	●	·	●
13	Beaver Pond Habitat Enhancement Project at the Dow Wetland Preserve (Contra Costa RCD)	●	·	·	·	●	●	·	●	·	●	●	·	○	●	·	·	·	●	●	○	·	·	●
14	Benicia Water Reuse Project (City of Benicia)	●	●	·	·	●	○	○	●	○	●	●	●	○	○	·	○	○	○	·	○	●	·	●
15	Calabazas Creek, Miller Avenue to Wardell Road (SCVWD)	○	·	○	·	○	●	●	●	·	●	○	·	○	·	·	·	·	○	·	·	●	·	○
16	Canal Encasement Phases II and III (CCWD)	○	●	○	●	●	○	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	·	○	●	·	·	●	●	●	·	●
17	Candlestick Point State Recreation Area Yosemite Slough Restoration Project (California State Parks)	●	·	·	·	○	●	·	●	·	●	○	·	·	●	●	·	·	●	○	○	·	●	●
18	Codornices Creek, Kains to San Pablo (Friends of Five Creeks)	·	·	●	·	○	●	○	●	·	●	○	·	○	○	○	·	·	●	○	○	·	○	●
19	Community Safe Drinking Water Project (Literacy for Environmental Justice)	●	·	·	●	·	·	●	·	○	·	·	·	●	·	●	·	·	·	·	·	·	●	·
20	ConocoPhillips High-Purity Recycled Water Project (EBMUD)	○	●	·	·	●	○	○	●	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	●	○	○	·	○	●	·	●
21	Corte Madera Creek Watershed Infiltration and Storage Assessment	●	·	●	·	○	·	·	·	·	●	●	●	·	·	·	·	·	●	·	·	·	·	●

	Projects	Bay Area IRWMP Regional Goals					Bay Area Regional Assessment Criteria					Prop 50 Program Preferences					Prop 50 Statewide Priorities								
		Sustain-ability	Supply Reliability	Hydrologic Function	Water Quality - Drinking Water	Water Quality - Receiving Water	Env. Resources	Public Health, Safety, Property	Funding Match	Regionalism	Partnerships	Meets Objectives of Multiple FADS	Integration	Supply Reliability	Water Quality	Pollution to Habitat	DAC Benefits	Reduce Conflict	TMDL	WMI	NPS Pollution Control	Bay/Delta Water Quality	Task Forces	Env. Justice	CALFED Goals
	(Friends of Corte Madera Creek Watershed)																								
22	Corte Madera Creek Watershed Models (Friends of Corte Madera Creek Watershed)	.	.	○	.	○	.	●	.	●	●	○	.	.	.	.	.	.	●	.	.	○	.	○	
23	Corte Madera Creek Watershed Plan (Friends of Corte Madera Creek Watershed)	●	.	○	.	.	○	.	●	.	●	●	○	.	.	.	●	.	●	○	○	○	.	●	
24	CreekWise Creek Care Education Program (San Mateo STOPPP)	●	.	○	.	○	○	.	●	●	●	○	.	○	○	○	.	○	○	○	○	.	○	○	
25	Defining Summer Low Flow Channels (SCC)	○	.	●	.	.	●	○	●	●	●	○	.	.	.	.	.	.	○	.	.	●	.	●	
26	Developing and Implementing Options for Mitigating Risks of Public Health Impacts of Eating Fish (Clean Estuary Partnership)	●	.	.	.	●	○	●	.	●	●	●	○	.	●	●	.	●	●	.	●	.	●	○	
27	Development of Regional GIS for Watershed Planning (San Mateo C/CAG)	●	.	○	.	.	○	○	●	●	●	○	.	.	.	.	.	.	●	.	.	.	.	.	
28	East Bayshore Recycled Water Project – Phase 1B (EBMUD)	●	●	.	.	●	○	○	●	○	●	○	●	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	.	○	●	●	
29	EBMUD-CCWD Raw Water Intertie (CCWD)	○	●	.	○	○	.	●	●	○	.	.	●	○	.	○	●	.	.	.	.	.	.	●	
30	EBMUD-SFPUC/Hayward Emergency Intertie (EBMUD)	○	●	.	○	○	.	●	●	○	.	.	●	○	.	○	●	.	.	.	.	.	.	●	
31	Feasibility Study for Dry-Year Water Supply (City of Napa)	.	●	.	.	.	.	○	●	○	●	.	.	●	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	○	
32	Fisheries and Aquatic Habitat Collaborative Effort (SCVWD)	●	●	○	.	○	●	.	●	○	●	●	●	○	.	.	●	.	●	.	.	●	.	●	
33	Groundwater Optimization Project (MWSD)	●	●	.	.	.	.	○	●	.	○	●	○	●	.	.	.	.	○	.	.	.	.	○	
34	Groundwater Recharge Opportunities (Sonoma CWA)	●	○	●	●	●	.	●	●	●	●	○	○	○	.	.	.	○	○	●	●	●	.	○	
35	Guadalupe River Watershed Habitat Enhancement (SCVWD)	.	.	○	.	.	●	.	●	.	.	○	.	.	.	.	.	○	○	.	○	.	.	○	
36	Guadalupe Watershed Modeling Towards Mercury Management to Achieve TMDL Goals (San Francisco Estuary Institute)	○	.	○	.	●	●	●	.	●	●	●	●	.	●	.	.	●	●	●	●	.	.	●	
37	Infrastructure Reliability Improvements in Santa Clara County (SCVWD)	●	●	.	●	●	.	●	○	●	.	.	●	○	.	○	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	○	
38	Intertie w/ NBA-Solano Project (Solano CWA)	○	●	.	●	.	.	●	●	●	.	.	●	●	.	○	●	.	.	.	.	.	.	●	
39	Ironhouse Sanitary District Wastewater Conveyance to San Francisco Region (Ironhouse Sanitary District)	.	.	.	○	●	○	○	●	.	●	.	○	●	○	.	○	.	.	.	○	.	.	○	
40	Jack London Lake Restoration and Sedimentation Reduction (California State Parks)	●	.	●	.	●	●	.	●	.	●	●	●	○	○	.	.	○	●	●	●	.	.	●	
41	Jamieson Treatment Plant Improvements (City of Napa)	.	●	.	●	●	.	●	○	●	.	.	●	●	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	○	
42	Kirker Creek Watershed Greenway Park Plan (Contra Costa RCD)	●	.	○	.	.	●	○	.	○	●	●	●	.	○	○	.	.	●	.	○	○	○	●	
43	Kirker Creek Watershed Nursery (Contra Costa RCD)	●	.	.	.	.	●	.	●	.	●	.	○	.	.	○	.	.	○	.	.	.	○	○	
44	Lake Merritt and Lake Merritt	.	.	●	.	●	●	○	.	○	.	●	○	.	●	●	.	.	●	○	●	.	●	●	

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	Channel Improvements (City of Oakland)																								
45	LEAD at Crockett (EBMUD)	•	●	•	•	•	•	○	●	◐	◐	•	•	●	•	•	○	•	•	•	•	•	●	•	●
46	Ledson Marsh Restoration: Annadel State Park (California State Parks)	•	•	●	•	○	◐	○	•	○	◐	●	○	•	•	○	•	•	•	◐	•	•	○	•	◐
47	Livermore-Amador Valley Mocho Groundwater Demineralization Project (Zone 7)	○	◐	•	●	●	•	◐	●	○	○	●	○	●	●	•	•	○	•	•	•	•	●	•	○
48	Lomita Canal / Cupid Row Canal Upgrades (San Francisco International Airport)	◐	•	◐	•	◐	●	○	•	○	◐	●	●	•	○	●	•	•	•	●	●	●	•	•	○
49	Lower Silver Creek, Reaches 4-6 (SCVWD)	○	•	○	•	•	◐	●	●	•	●	●	◐	•	•	•	●	•	•	○	•	•	●	●	○
50	Marin County Benthic Macroinvertebrate Sampling Program (Marin County STOPPP)	○	•	○	•	●	○	•	●	○	◐	●	○	•	●	○	•	•	•	●	•	•	•	•	•
51	Martinez Adult Education Campus Creek Project Enhancement (Muir Heritage Land Trust)	○	•	◐	•	◐	◐	●	●	•	●	●	●	•	○	○	○	•	•	◐	◐	◐	•	○	◐
52	Milpitas Transit Area Recycled Water Project (City of San Jose)	◐	●	•	•	◐	◐	○	●	○	◐	●	●	◐	◐	○	●	○	○	•	○	●	•	●	
53	Mirant Cooling Recycled Water Project (DDSD)	◐	◐	○	•	○	●	○	●	○	◐	●	●	◐	○	○	•	●	○	○	•	○	●	•	●
54	Monitoring Well Construction and Water Quality Monitoring Program (ACWD)	○	◐	•	●	●	•	○	●	•	◐	●	○	◐	●	•	•	•	•	●	•	•	•	•	○
55	Mountain View / Moffett Area Water Recycling Project (City of Palo Alto/City of Mountain View)	◐	●	•	•	◐	○	○	●	○	○	●	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	•	○	●	•	●	
56	Mt. Diablo Creek Watershed Coordinated Steelhead Passage Project (Natural Heritage Institute)	◐	•	•	•	•	●	•	●	•	●	●	○	•	•	•	•	•	○	•	•	•	•	●	
57	Mt. Diablo State Park: Comprehensive Stock Pond Evaluation and Sedimentation Remediation (California State Parks)	◐	•	●	•	•	◐	•	●	•	●	●	◐	•	•	•	•	•	●	●	●	•	•	●	
58	Mt. Diablo State Park: Mitchell Creek Riparian Restoration (California State Parks)	◐	•	●	•	•	◐	•	●	•	●	●	○	•	•	•	•	•	●	○	○	•	•	●	
59	Napa Plant Site Restoration Project (CDFG)	○	•	○	•	○	●	○	•	○	●	●	○	•	○	•	•	•	◐	•	•	•	•	◐	
60	Napa Salt Marsh Restoration Project (State Coastal Conservancy)	◐	○	◐	•	○	●	•	●	●	●	●	●	○	◐	◐	•	•	•	●	○	○	○	•	●
61	Nathanson Creek Preserve Restoration Project (Sonoma Ecology Center)	○	•	◐	•	◐	●	◐	•	•	●	●	○	•	○	○	•	•	●	●	○	◐	•	●	
62	North Solano Groundwater Monitoring (Solano CWA)	◐	●	•	•	•	•	•	●	•	●	•	◐	•	•	•	○	•	•	•	•	•	•	○	
63	Pacifica Recycled Water Project (North Coast County Water District)	◐	●	•	•	○	•	○	●	◐	◐	●	◐	●	○	•	○	•	•	•	•	•	●	•	•
64	Palo Alto Recycling Project (City of Palo Alto)	◐	●	•	•	◐	○	○	●	○	○	●	○	●	○	○	•	●	○	○	•	○	●	•	●
65	Palo Alto Regional Water Quality Control Plant Water Recycling	◐	●	•	•	◐	○	○	●	◐	◐	●	◐	●	◐	◐	●	●	○	○	•	○	●	●	●

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	Program - Phase 3 Expansion (City of Palo Alto)																								
66	PCBs Investigation at the Pulgas Creek Pump Station Watershed, San Carlos, California (San Mateo C/CAG)	○	·	·	·	●	◐	◐	●	●	◐	●	○	·	●	●	·	·	●	●	●	●	·	·	○
67	Peacock Gap Recycled Water Extension (MMWD)	◐	●	·	·	◐	○	○	●	○	○	●	○	○	○	·	○	○	○	·	○	●	·	●	
68	Peralta Tyson Groundwater Treatment Facility (ACWD)	○	◐	·	●	●	·	◐	●	·	●	●	○	●	●	·	·	○	·	·	·	·	●	·	●
69	Permanente Creek Flood Protection (SCVWD)	○	·	◐	·	○	◐	●	●	·	◐	●	·	○	·	·	·	·	◐	○	○	●	·	◐	
70	PG&E Contra Costa Power Plant #8 Recycled Cooling Water (DDSD)	◐	●	·	·	◐	◐	○	●	○	◐	●	◐	●	○	○	○	●	○	○	·	○	●	·	●
71	Phase 2 – Niles Cone Groundwater Recharge and Fish Passage Program (ACWD)	◐	◐	◐	○	○	●	◐	●	·	◐	●	●	○	·	·	●	·	○	·	·	●	·	●	
72	Pilarcitos Creek Integrated Watershed Management Plan Development and Implementation (SFPUC)	●	◐	○	○	○	◐	○	·	●	●	●	○	○	○	·	●	·	●	○	○	○	·	◐	
73	Pinole Creek Restoration and Greenway Park (CCC FC&WCD)	◐	○	●	·	○	◐	○	●	○	◐	●	◐	○	·	○	·	·	◐	○	○	◐	◐	◐	
74	Pittsburg Recycled Water Implementation (DDSD)	◐	●	·	·	◐	○	○	●	○	◐	●	○	●	○	○	○	●	○	○	·	○	●	·	●
75	Protection from Tidal Flooding (City of Burlingame)	◐	·	○	·	○	○	●	·	●	◐	●	◐	·	○	○	◐	·	·	◐	·	○	●	◐	●
76	R10-2 Arroyo de la Laguna (ADLL) Improvement Project 2 (Zone 7)	◐	·	◐	·	◐	◐	●	·	·	·	●	●	·	·	◐	·	·	·	○	◐	◐	●	·	●
77	R10-5 Arroyo de la Laguna Improvement Project 5 (Zone 7)	◐	·	◐	·	·	◐	●	·	·	○	●	●	·	·	·	·	·	○	·	·	●	·	●	
78	Recycled Water Conveyance Pipeline (Novato Sanitary District)	◐	●	·	·	◐	○	◐	●	○	·	●	○	○	○	·	○	○	○	·	○	●	·	●	
79	Recycled Water Program for North Marin WD & Novato Sanitary District - Phase 1 (North Marin Water District)	◐	●	·	·	◐	○	◐	●	○	○	●	○	○	○	·	○	○	○	·	○	●	·	●	
80	Reducing Women and Children's Exposure to Mercury in the Bay and Delta Region (Ma'at Youth Academy)	◐	·	·	·	◐	◐	●	·	●	●	●	·	·	◐	○	·	○	○	○	◐	·	●	◐	
81	Redwood City Recycled Water Project (City of Redwood City)	◐	●	·	·	◐	○	○	●	○	◐	●	○	●	○	○	·	●	○	○	·	○	●	·	●
82	Regional Biosolids Project (Regional Biosolids JPA)	●	·	·	·	○	○	·	●	●	◐	·	·	○	·	·	○	·	·	·	·	·	·	·	
83	Regional BMPs, Field Manual and Training for Stream Maintenance Activities (Marin County STOPPP)	○	·	◐	·	○	○	●	·	●	◐	●	○	·	○	·	·	·	·	◐	·	●	·	◐	
84	Regional Desalination Feasibility Study (EBMUD)	·	●	·	◐	◐	·	○	●	●	◐	·	●	◐	·	·	·	·	·	·	·	●	·	●	
85	Regional Flood Agencies Forum (SCVWD)	●	·	○	·	·	◐	○	·	●	◐	●	◐	·	·	·	○	·	·	◐	·	◐	·	·	
86	Removal of NDMA, EDCs, and PPCPs in South Delta Water (CCWD)	◐	○	·	●	●	·	◐	●	●	◐	·	○	●	·	·	·	·	·	·	●	·	·	●	
87	Rheem Creek Restoration and Watershed Council Project (Natural	◐	·	○	·	◐	●	◐	·	·	●	●	○	·	○	○	●	·	·	○	·	○	·	●	●

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	Heritage Institute)																								
88	Richmond Advanced Recycled Expansion (RARE) Water Project (EBMUD)	●	●	·	·	●	○	○	●	○	○	●	○	●	○	○	·	●	○	○	·	○	●	·	●
89	Richmond Bayshore Stewards (The Watershed Project)	●	·	○	·	○	●	·	·	·	●	●	○	·	·	●	●	·	·	○	○	○	·	●	●
90	Robert Louis Stevenson State Park Erosion Control: Table Rock Trail Re-route (California State Parks)	·	·	●	·	●	●	·	●	·	●	●	○	·	○	●	·	·	●	●	○	○	·	·	●
91	Rollingwood Neighborhood Creek Restoration Project (Urban Creeks Council)	○	·	●	·	●	○	●	·	·	●	●	○	·	○	○	●	·	·	●	·	·	●	●	●
92	San Francisquito Creek Flood Damage Reduction and Ecosystem Restoration (San Francisquito Creek JPA)	○	·	●	·	●	●	·	○	○	●	●	●	·	○	○	●	·	●	●	○	●	●	·	●
93	San Leandro Tributaries at South Hills (City of Oakland)	○	·	·	·	○	●	○	·	·	·	●	○	·	○	○	·	·	·	●	·	·	·	·	●
94	San Leandro Water Reclamation Facility Expansion Project (EBMUD)	●	●	·	·	●	○	○	●	○	●	●	○	●	○	○	○	●	○	○	·	○	●	·	●
95	San Ramon Valley Recycled Water Program - Phase 2 and Future Phases (DSRSD-EBMUD Recycled Water Authority)	●	●	·	·	●	○	○	●	○	●	●	○	●	○	○	○	●	○	○	·	○	●	·	●
96	Santa Clara Valley Water District Aquifer Storage and Recovery Project (SCVWD)	●	●	●	·	·	●	○	●	●	○	●	○	·	·	○	○	·	·	·	·	·	·	·	○
97	Satellite Recycled Water Treatment Plant Project (EBMUD)	●	●	·	●	●	○	○	●	·	○	●	○	●	○	○	·	●	○	○	·	○	●	·	●
98	SBWR Recycled Water Phase 2 Extensions--Santa Clara (City of San Jose)	●	●	·	·	●	●	○	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	○	○	·	○	●	·	●	
99	Sears Point Restoration Project (Sonoma Land Trust)	●	·	●	·	●	●	●	·	○	●	●	○	·	○	○	·	·	·	●	·	○	●	·	●
100	SFPUC Groundwater Projects (SFPUC)	○	●	·	·	·	●	·	●	●	●	●	●	·	·	○	●	·	·	·	·	·	·	·	·
101	Sky Valley-Sulphur Springs Watershed Management Plan (City of Benicia)	●	·	·	·	○	●	○	·	·	·	·	○	·	○	·	·	·	·	●	·	·	·	·	●
102	Solano CWA Groundwater Banking/Conjunctive Use Program (Solano CWA)	●	●	·	·	·	·	·	●	·	●	●	○	●	·	·	○	·	·	·	·	·	·	·	●
103	Sonoma Valley Invasive Weed Control (Sonoma Land Trust)	○	·	○	·	·	●	○	●	·	·	●	○	·	·	·	·	·	·	·	·	·	●	·	●
104	South Bay Advanced Recycled Water Treatment Facility Project (SCVWD)	●	●	·	·	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	○	○	·	○	●	·	●	●
105	South Bay Salt Pond Restoration Project & South San Francisco Bay Shoreline Study: Early Implementation Activities (SCC)	●	·	○	·	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	·	○	●	·	·	·	●	●	●	●	·	●
106	Stanford Central Energy Facility Cooling Tower Recycled Water System (Stanford University)	●	●	·	·	●	○	○	●	●	·	●	○	●	○	○	○	●	○	○	·	○	●	·	●
107	Stevens Creek Restoration at Blackberry Farm, Cupertino (SCVWD)	·	·	●	·	·	●	·	●	·	○	●	○	·	·	·	·	·	·	●	·	·	●	·	●

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108	Sugarloaf Ridge State Park Erosion Control: Goodspeed Trail Rehabilitation (California State Parks)	●	·	·	·	○	◐	·	●	·	●	●	○	·	◐	●	·	·	●	●	●	●	·	·	◐
109	Sustainable Streets for Improved Stormwater Quality and Water Reuse (San Mateo C/CAG)	●	·	○	·	·	○	○	●	●	◐	●	○	·	○	○	○	·	○	◐	◐	○	·	○	○
110	Thompson Creek Stream Stabilization (SCVWD)	·	·	○	·	·	◐	○	●	·	○	●	○	·	○	·	·	·	◐	·	·	○	·	·	◐
111	Upper Guadalupe River Project (Reaches 6 and 12) (SCVWD)	◐	○	◐	·	○	◐	●	●	·	◐	●	○	○	○	·	·	·	◐	●	·	○	●	·	◐
112	Urban Creek Trash Reduction Program (SCVWD)	○	·	·	·	●	◐	·	●	◐	○	●	○	·	◐	◐	·	·	◐	◐	◐	·	○	·	◐
113	Watershed Habitat and Project Mapping Program (San Francisco Estuary Institute)	◐	·	·	·	·	●	·	·	●	●	●	○	·	·	·	·	·	●	·	·	·	·	·	○
114	Westside Baseline and Harding Park/Lake Merced Projects (SFPUC)	◐	●	·	·	·	○	○	●	●	○	●	○	·	·	○	○	·	·	·	·	·	●	·	·
115	Wetland and Creek Restoration at Big Lagoon, Muir Beach (National Parks Service-GGNRA, Marin County, San Francisco Zen Center)	○	·	●	·	·	●	◐	●	●	◐	●	○	·	○	◐	·	·	●	○	○	◐	·	·	●
116	Wildcat Creek Restoration (CCC FC&WCD)	◐	·	◐	·	○	●	◐	·	·	●	●	●	·	○	·	·	·	◐	·	·	·	◐	◐	●
COHORT 2 PROJECTS																									
117	Accelerate Eradication of Invasive Plant Species (TBD)	◐	·	○	·	·	●	○	·	·	·	●	○	·	·	·	·	·	○	·	·	·	◐	·	◐
118	Emergency Preparedness for Widespread and Tidal Flooding (TBD)	◐	·	·	·	·	·	●	·	·	·	·	·	·	·	·	·	·	·	·	·	●	·	·	·
119	Lower Walnut Creek Restoration (CCC FC&WCD)	○	·	◐	·	○	◐	●	·	·	○	●	◐	·	○	·	·	·	◐	·	·	●	·	·	●
120	Mid-Coyote (SCVWD)	○	·	○	·	○	◐	●	●	○	◐	●	○	·	○	·	●	·	·	◐	·	·	●	●	●
121	North San Jose Intensification Extension (South Bay Water Recycling)	○	●	·	·	○	○	○	●	○	○	●	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	·	○	●	·	·	●
122	Phase II Recycled Water Program – City of Petaluma (City of Petaluma)	○	●	·	·	◐	○	○	●	○	○	●	○	○	○	·	○	○	○	·	○	●	·	·	●
123	Pleasant Hill, Zone 1 Recycled Water Project (CCCSD)	○	●	·	·	◐	○	○	●	○	◐	●	◐	●	○	○	○	●	○	○	·	○	●	·	●
124	R3-2 Robertson Park Enhancement Project and Levee Construction (Zone 7)	◐	·	◐	·	○	◐	●	·	·	·	●	●	·	·	◐	·	·	·	●	○	○	●	·	○
125	R3-3 Parks Floodplain Dedication and Levee Construction (Zone 7)	◐	·	◐	·	·	·	●	·	·	·	●	●	·	·	·	·	·	·	●	·	·	●	·	●
126	R3-4 Holmes Street Sedimentation Basin and Granada/Murrieta Protection and Enhancement Project (Zone 7)	◐	·	◐	·	◐	◐	●	·	·	·	●	●	·	·	◐	·	·	·	●	◐	◐	●	·	●
127	Sonoma Valley Recycled Water Project (Sonoma CWA)	◐	●	·	·	○	○	○	●	○	○	●	◐	●	○	○	·	○	○	○	·	○	●	·	●



## F.2 Priorities for Regional Implementation

The following sections outline the projects and programs that have been identified as short- and long-term priorities for regional implementation.

### F.2.1 Short-Term Priorities

The 116 projects listed in Cohort 1 of Table F-2 have been identified as short-term priorities for the region. These projects are scheduled to be implemented within five years to assist the region in meeting the water resources management objectives identified in this Plan.

### F.2.2 Long-Term Priorities

The 11 projects listed in Cohort 2 of Table F-2 have been identified as long-term priorities for the region. While not anticipated to be ready to proceed by 2010, these projects will provide important benefits to the region and assist the region in achieving the water resources management objectives identified in Section C: *Objectives* in the long term.

## F.3 Modifying Priorities

An important aspect of setting regional priorities is establishing a planning process that recognizes that priorities are fluid and change over time, and can adapt as water management needs in the region evolve and change. This section outlines the proposed approach to ensure that Plan implementation is responsive to the changing needs of the region. This approach involves continual assessment of regional needs and project performance, and subsequent adjustment of project sequencing, as appropriate. Organizing projects into common cohorts based on their timeline and readiness also helps provide the Plan with the flexibility necessary to allow priorities to be responsive to changes in the region over time. The details related to assessing project performance, as well as benchmarks for measuring Plan implementation, are presented in Section I: *Technical Analysis and Plan Performance*.

### F.3.1 Decision-making Process

The water management issues facing the Bay Area will change over time as regulations become more stringent and new regional interests and goals emerge. As these issues evolve over time, the type of projects considered as priorities for implementation to meet the region's needs may change. Further, as projects are implemented and additional studies are completed, the readiness to proceed of the projects and programs included in the Plan will change.

Recognizing that regional priorities evolve over time, the institutional structure responsible for Plan implementation (described in Section G: *Implementation*) will periodically review this IRWMP and the cohort listings herein, depending on changing conditions and availability of funds to perform future work, and make adjustments as necessary to respond to changes throughout the region. This process of continual review and update will optimize the effectiveness of IRWMP implementation.

### F.3.2 Project Implementation Assessment

Each project identified in this IRWMP has an identified project proponent that has agreed to oversee project implementation. The project proponent will be responsible for ensuring that project implementation proceeds as originally planned, tracking implementation progress, and reporting implementation progress to the institutional structure responsible for Plan implementation (see Section G:



*Implementation*) on a quarterly basis. The project proponent will ultimately be responsible for assessing project performance during implementation and altering the project implementation schedule and approach as necessary to ensure the project achieves the goals and benefits intended.

### **F.3.3 Alteration of Project Sequencing**

The institutional structure responsible for Plan Implementation (see Section G: *Implementation*) will review regional changes on a periodic basis to identify appropriate adjustments to the regional priorities. As future work is performed, projects included in each cohort will be updated as appropriate. Project proponents will be tasked with overseeing project implementation and will be responsible for keeping the Bay Area IRWMP institutional structure apprised of changes to projects' readiness to proceed. This information will be used to determine whether projects should move between cohorts. In addition, project proponents will report the benefits being provided by implemented projects such that decisions as to additional projects, programs, and actions necessary to further the regional goals and objectives.