OXNARD SUBBASIN AND PLEASANT VALLEY BASIN FACILITATED PROCESS

Project Committee Charge

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PURPOSE + OBJECTIVES

The Core Stakeholder Group has formed a Project Committee to analyze and frame options for increasing the sustainable yield of the basin to inform the Core Group's deliberations. The project committee will consider the range of possible basin optimization actions and water supply projects and develop recommendations for the Core Group to consider based on cost-benefit analysis, project feasibility, impacts to the price of water, impacts to water quality, drought resilience, multi-benefit considerations and the timeline for project benefits to accrue. The Project Committee will also analyze and recommend project funding options, including recommendations to support a replenishment fee strategy.

The overarching goals of the Project Committee are to 1) Support the Core Group's efforts in identifying a cost-effective portfolio of projects and optimization measures that align with the GSP objectives and respond to regional water needs and 2) Recommend cohesive strategy to bring these projects into fruition for the Core Group's consideration.

DECISION CRITERIA

The Project Committee will consider the following criteria to support analysis and prioritization of basin optimization measures and projects.

- Results of cost-benefit analysis
- Ease / feasibility of implementation
- Impacts to the price of water
- Impacts to water quality
- Drought resilience
- Multi-benefit considerations

DELIVERABLES / PRODUCTS

The Project Committee will share research and analysis outputs to inform the Core Stakeholder Group's policy recommendations with regard to projects for regional groundwater sustainability. The Project Committee will inform proposals that relate to basin optimization, water supply projects and replenishment fees.

LIST OF QUESTIONS

The following is a list of questions the Project Committees consideration. *The numbering is for reference during discussion only.*

1. What projects or infrastructure are necessary to optimize the basin?

- 2. What is the feasibility of those projects?
- 3. What are the costs?
- 4. What are the economics of the projects?
- 5. What provides the best cost/benefit?
- 6. What are opportunities for multiple benefits?
- 7. How do we pay for these projects?
- 8. What relevant laws and policy frameworks must be considered?

TIMELINE + SEQUENCE OF WORK

Phase One
Project
Identification
Sept - Nov 2020

- Examine projects in the GSP, submittals for GSP (not included) & United's proposals
- *Update project information* (if new info available)
- Identify additional potential projects
- Outline feasability, timeline, rough cost estimate, potential water supply
- Identify multi-benefits of projects: environmental, water quality, regional, etc.
- Identify known funding sources
- Establish selection criteria

Phase Two Preliminary Analysis

Nov 20 - Feb 21

- Review preliminary analyses available on current projects
- Evaluate projects: conduct fatal-flaw analysis and narrow set to advance
- Model select project (if sufficiently defined) scenarios to determine potential contribution to sustainability or water supply. Open discussion about the model's strengths, weaknesses & assumptions so all are on the same page

Phase Three Feasibility & Cost-Benefit

Jan - April 2021

- Further evaluate feasibility & cost benefit analysis: evaluate select projects / optimization measures based on standardized set of criteria
- Develop standardized parameters for projects to guide project selection and to facilitate effective evaluation by Core Group and public
- Project vetting: Begin discussing projects with broader community, explaining and soliciting support and identifying any concerns

Phase Four Vetting & Implementation

March - Sept 2021

- Funding: Focus on joint fundraising efforts to increase chances of project success
- Further project vetting: For promising projects, request additional detail from project sponsors to conduct further vetting for consideration in future iterations of GSPs.
- Implementation and governance: Address governance questions & issues. Who is best to lead on project(s)

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