

EKI TEAM TECHNICAL PRESENTATION

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CONSIDERATIONS FOR DEVELOPING INDEPENDENT GSP(S) VS COORDINATING THE DEVELOPMENT OF A BASIN-WIDE GSP

- Cost
- Autonomy – Technical
- Autonomy – Management
- Risk



* Nothing about participating in a Basin-wide process/GSP precludes a GSA from independently securing the supplemental technical/legal resources needed to further ensure that their interests are adequately reflected.

GSP REGULATIONS EMPHASIZE BASIN-WIDE COMPLIANCE AND COORDINATION

- Single GSP
- Single GSP with identified “Management Areas”
- Multiple GSPs that are coordinated through a “coordination agreement”, submitted together as a single coordinated submittal, and where all basin reporting is also coordinated in a single submittal
 - **Coordination agreements** must ensure that the multiple GSPs within the Basin are developed and implemented utilizing the same methodologies and assumptions as required under Water Code 10727.6, and that the elements of the GSPs are appropriately coordinated to support sustainable management – data, monitoring networks, sustainability criteria, basin water budget, sustainable yield, etc.

BENEFITS/DRAWBACKS OF INDEPENDENT GSP VS BASIN-WIDE GSP

Issue	Benefits	Drawbacks	Comments
Cost	--	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• More expensive (limited economies of scale and redundant work efforts)• More difficult to get DWR grants	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Basin-level efforts will need to be funded as well as individual GSP efforts• Requires development and implementation of coordination agreement(s) (additional technical and legal fees, etc.)

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Autonomy - Technical	<ul style="list-style-type: none">(Potentially) increased control over GSP development process, timing and content	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Limited economies of scale and redundant work efforts	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Has to be fully coordinated with other GSPs at the outset and throughout or risk expensive and potentially critical path reconciliationMust meet minimum standard of technical compliance

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Autonomy - Management	<ul style="list-style-type: none">(Likely) neutral depending on governance structure	--	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Governance / coordination agreement can clearly identify the roles and responsibilities of each GSA in developing and implementing the GSP

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Risk	--	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Basin is vulnerable to performance of “lowest common denominator”	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• DWR will only accept credible, coordinated GSPs• SWRCB intervention will not serve anyone well

QUESTIONS?

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