KEY OUTCOMES AND NEXT STEPS

Note:
- This document is meant to provide high-level takeaways soon after the SWAG meeting. CBI/WF will develop a meeting discussion summary and distribute to SWAG members for review (expect by Aug 14)
- All meeting materials are posted on the website: http://cosumnes.waterforum.org/meetings

Meeting Materials

July 31, 2020 – 1 – Agenda | 2 – Technical Memorandum (TM) #6 | 3 – SWAG FAQ| 4 – Task Descriptions for SWAG and GDEs | 5 – Current SWAG Roster | 6 – Presentation Slides

Meeting in Brief

The Surface Water Advisory Group (SWAG) held its first meeting to kick off the SWAG and review/discuss the basin-setting for the Cosumnes Subbasin.

- Facilitation team Consensus Building Institute (CBI) provided an overview of the SWAG purpose and process design to help participants understand what to expect from the SWAG effort. SWAG members introduced themselves and described why they are participating in this effort.
- Technical consultants EKI presented information from the draft Technical Memo #6 on the Hydrogeological Conceptual Model and current+historical groundwater conditions. Participants identified several issues to consider, such as exploring where GSAs might define the line between SGMA requirements and aspirational objectives (e.g., considering under what conditions might the GSAs want to look past the SGMA-required 2015 conditions when defining sustainability); addressing data gaps through information currently available and future info/GSP updates; better defining the conditions and implications when groundwater and surface water are connected/disconnected and (e.g., Seasonal? Potential vertical gradients?).
- EKI also outlined next steps (under Prop 68 funding), particularly GDE desktop and field verification, which will require property access approvals. Participants shared a number of suggestions to support outreach to property owners, including framing outreach around protecting certain habitats and/or specific species of common interest (e.g., anadromous fish); exploring ways to anonymize the data; and supporting multi-beneficial opportunities (an increasing priority for grant applications). Several participants also offered to help with property access and outreach through their network connections.

Meeting Schedule and Info

Upcoming Meetings (subject to change)
- Mtg #2: Sept 25, 2020
- Mtg #3: Dec 4, 2020
- Mtg #4: Feb 26, 2021

Zoom Access (will be the same for all SWAG meetings):
- https://cbuilding.zoom.us/j/93059918864
- Call In: +1 669 900 6833, Meeting ID: 930 5991 8864

Action Items

Who	What
Pablo Garza	Send CBI the RMC Consultants report to TNC on groundwater-stream interaction
Jason Wiener	Provide link (likely as part of ECOS' more extensive written comments on TM #6) to UC Davis data on riverbed profiles.
EKI/Laura Foglio	Continue to share data that relates to both Cosumnes and South American Subbasins
SWAG Members	Send CBI written comments on TM #6, particularly focused on: • Does the current characterization make sense, seem on target? • Do you have specific suggestions for the approach to (1) improve the current characterization or (2) address any concerns you might have? • To the extent that there are gaps, which gaps are critical to address in this initial GSP (using best available data) and which can be deferred to subsequent GSP updates (using improved data sources)? • Can you identify existing/future data that might improve the current/future approach and characterization? Comments due one week after SWAG meeting - **Fri, Aug 7**
EKI	Define GDE grid that helps identify potential areas of interest that can help SWAG members focus outreach and utilize their connections to support property access for the GDE field verification efforts.
CBI	Send "Save the Date" calendar invites to SWAG members

Zoom Meeting Design Suggestions

Participants provided the following suggested changes for future SWAG meetings:

- Send materials at least 2 weeks in advance
- Provide call-in number
- Designate the watershed boundaries on maps
- During the meeting - provide links to materials in chat box
- During the meeting - Include full break time