Regional Coordination
of the
Safe, Clean Water Program
&
Watershed Coordinators
Scope of Services

**Task 1: Develop (coordination of) Watershed Coordination**
- Interviews with key stakeholders
- Identify & augment digital library tools
- Develop & document coordination program
- Technical Assistance outreach materials

**Task 2: Support WASC and District with regional coordination**
- Attend WASC meetings, support WASC and District
- WASC education (re: watershed management & coordination)
- Onboard selected Watershed Coordinators
- Convene monthly watershed coordinator meetings
- Develop leverage resource tracking tool

**Task 3: Project Management**
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Principals of Watershed Management

- Water, land, and the relationship between
- Water where it flows, regardless of political boundaries
- Interdependence
  - Resilience anywhere is resilience everywhere
- Inclusive of all communities
- Adaptive Management
  - Plan, implement, monitor, assess, repeat…

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Watershed Coordination in CA

• 2000 – 2014
  – CalFED, then Department of Conservation
  – Watershed Program Grants
    • Projects: about $64M
    • Coordinators: about $28.5M

• Today:
  – Forest Health Watershed Coordinators
  – Safe Clean Water Program
  – Others…
Watershed Coordination principles

• Capacity Building
  – Watershed education
  – Information sharing
  – Grant-writing / funding development

• Facilitate partnerships
  – Coordination among decision-makers, managers, and stakeholders
  – Mediate conflicts
  – *Situational awareness*

• Watershed planning & assessment
  – Project & program development
  – Performance tracking

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Watershed Coordinators in SCWP

- “Consultants” to Flood Control District
- Non-voting member(s) of the WASC
- Funded by Regional allocation in each Stormwater Investment Plan
- Part of Technical Resources Program

Table 2. Watershed Coordinator Breakdown

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<th>Watershed Area</th>
<th>Total Population*</th>
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*These figures are based on the 2016 US Census and will be updated periodically.

Per the program, the number of WC listed is a minimum, a WASC could decide to fund additional positions.
Watershed Coordinators in SCWP

• **Technical Resource:**
  – Work with TA teams to bring resources to applicants and projects
  – Identify and help leverage non-SCWP funds

• **Project Development Facilitator:**
  – Daylight project concepts / opportunities
  – Coordinate multi-party activities

• **Educator / Communicator:**
  – Provide stakeholder outreach education
  – Convey community goals to decision-makers
Questions for the Committee

• What do you know about the watershed that you think others might not know?
• Do you know of any plans that are relevant to the question you have before you?
Watershed Context

Switch out of PowerPoint into GIS to review Watershed Area