

Input to PSP by RRWCC Members

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Attendance: 30 RRWCC members (see attached sign-in) plus staff from Army Corps, Department of Conservation, and Congresswoman Woolsey's office

Alternative Approaches to PSP:

- 1) No PSP – rejected outright
- 2) PSP to support Council meetings only: rejected
- 3) PSP to support Council meetings only (Phase I), plus plan to do strategic planning and identify more specific tasks later – 3 votes
- 3a) PSP to support Council meetings, plus planning process, but small project that would appeal to Corps
19 votes
- 4) PSP to support Council meeting plus projects that only relate to existing Corps projects (ie, Corps dams, structures) - 4 votes
- 5) PSP to support Council meetings, plus various other studies or projects to be named, plus some Corps related activities - 3 votes
- 6) PSP: Support Council mtgs and other studies/"projects" (doesn't explicitly include Corps related activities) – closest to present draft - minimal to no votes
- 7) Other agency funding vehicle in lieu of PSP - rejected

Decision: PSP will support Council meetings and strategic planning in Phase I; planning efforts will identify studies to be done in Phase II. Phase I will also include a study or project of interest to Corps to increase likelihood of funding.

Proposed changes to Intro/Background : (but maintain PSP focus on pragmatic language)

- Anadromous fisheries as top priority
- Watershed council will address issues outside scope of PSP; Corps only one partner
- Should recognize existing local programs and Council relationship to them
- RRWCC still needs to determine mission and do strategic plan
- Should ID destructive practices in watershed
- Mention authorities for water quality and ESA compliance
- Should mention need to preserve genetic diversity
- Should commit to scientific basis for decision making
- Cite authorization for Corps study in PSP
- Siltation / hydrology /temperature
- Page 8: Clarify section about "Reoperating reservoirs"
- Sustainable topsoils and microbiological humus
- Gravel budget: should be in balance with river hydrology

- Water quality and eliminating MTBE in reservoirs
- Population growth
- Rod Chisholm: restoration is one of Corps main focii

Discussion of whether language should be inclusive or restricted to final list of tasks

Options for study: remember audience (Washington DC Corps office)

- 1) Temperature study
- 2) Fish hatchery
- 3) Study Retrofit of dams so flows mimic nature and reduce fishery impacts
- 4) Set up Klamath Resource Information System (KRIS) as vehicle for integrating existing spatial data to improve fisheries and water quality mgmt
- 5) Data gap analysis re: streamflow on tributaries, sediment, fish populations, geomorphology and temperature

Decision: Propose that PSP include:

- Study Retrofit of dam outlet structures to allow flows that mimic nature
- Implement KRIS and data gap analysis as part of Council's planning process and efforts to define work in Phase II.
- No decision about whether to include broad language for potential Council activities or restrict it to PSP activities

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