

Water Storage Investment Program Agenda Item 11. Review and Begin Formal Public Comment Period for Water Storage Investment Program (WSIP) Draft Regulations

Changes

Management Public Benefit

- Language changed to clarify that contracts are with each administering agency
- Section 6014(a)(2) - Pursuant to the requirements of Water Code section 79755, any project funded under the Program shall enter into a contract with each of the appropriate State agencies, CDFW, the State Water Board, and the Department...
- Fixed “may” and “shall” inconsistency

Changes

Scoring

- Section 6009 Implementation Risk score increased, and
- Redistribute scores

Public Benefit Ratio/Non-Monetized Public Benefit	33
Relative Environmental Value	27
Resiliency	25
Implementation Risk	15
Total	100

Changes

Scoring

- Section 6011 Commission component score changes simplified – can be adjusted up to 25% of component or ask staff for re-evaluation

Changes

Existing Environmental Mitigation and Compliance Obligations

- Identification of date to bound term “existing”
- Section 6003 Application item (AA): Text added to further clarify declaration information needed

Changes

Existing Environmental Mitigation & Compliance Obligation

- Section 6004 - Reinstated statute language and clarified conditions which cannot be included in Program cost share
- Section 6013 - changed to provide assurance that model re-run not required when providing updates to the cost allocation prior to funding agreement execution
- Coordinating with agencies on changes

Changes

Other

- Section 6001: Resiliency to the effects of climate change definition is not used in regulations so was removed.
- Section 6010 changed to include construction **and** operation to make consistent with section 6013
- Throughout regulations – clean up of grammatical, typographical, and consistency errors
- Throughout regulations: non-monetized benefit clarified as non-monetized **public** benefit

Draft Regulations-Changes Not Made

- Groundwater dependent ecosystems in definitions, section 6004 and Ecosystem priority table
- Three year drought versus 5+ year drought

Questions

Public Comment

Commission Final Direction