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Agenda Item #3 e

To: Governing Board, SMBRC

From: Tom Ford, Executive Director

Re: Consideration of Approval of Integrated Regional Water Management Planning (IRWMP) Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)

Action Requested of the Governing Board:

- Review and approval of the revised IRWMP MOU (attached)

Background

The Greater Los Angeles Area IRWMP was established pursuant to specific provisions of Proposition 50 to facilitate long-term funding for various water quality, water supply, environmental, and health and safety projects within the region. In order to continue to receive planning and implementation funding from the state, the region is required to enter into an MOU that establishes the organizational structure and regional influence of the IRWMP, as well as the general decision making and consensus building structure.

Since the inception of the IRWMP, the SMBRC has played a significant, active role in its development and policy direction by serving as a voting member of the IRWMP's Leadership Committee, representing the "Open Space" Water Management Area. Staff assigned to the SMBRC also play an active role in potential project consideration through participation in the IRWMP's regional subcommittees that cover various parts of the Santa Monica Bay watershed. This representation is consistent with the goals of the Bay Restoration Plan (BRP), to facilitate BRP implementation funding, and facilitate collaboration of project implementation throughout the greater IRWMP region.

The SMBRC Governing Board adopted the IRWMP's original MOU in 2006 and a revision to the MOU in October 2008 which broadened the funding sources applicable to the IRWMP. The latest revision presented here for consideration pertains to the addition of two provisions (highlighted in ~~strike through~~/underline format in the attachment below). The first provision specifies the conditions for new membership on the IRWMP's Leadership Committee. The second provision clarifies the procedure for adding or replacing Committee members so that the addition or replacement no longer requires an amendment to this MOU. Some rewording of the Operation Guidelines was also done for clarification purposes.

Becoming a signatory to the MOU is not a prerequisite to receiving funding through subsequent bonds (such as Proposition 84), however it ensures that the SMBRC maintains an active participatory and decision making position within the IRWMP.

our mission: to restore and enhance the santa monica bay through actions and partnerships that improve water quality, conserve and rehabilitate natural resources, and protect the bay's benefits and values



**Memorandum of Understanding for
Integrated Regional Water Management Planning and
Implementation for the
Greater Los Angeles County Region**

This Memorandum of Understanding for Integrated Regional Water Management Planning and Implementation ("**MOU**") is dated (*month, day*) 2015 ("**Effective Date**") and is between the signatories to this MOU, each of which is referred to individually as a "**Party**" and collectively as the "**Parties**."

The Parties are each local agencies or non-profit organizations involved with regional water management issues in the Greater Los Angeles County ("**GLAC**") area shown on Exhibit A (the "**GLAC Region**").

It is in the best interests of the Parties and the GLAC Region that the Parties' shared water resources are responsibly managed, protected, and conserved to the extent feasible.

Pursuant to the Integrated Regional Water Management Planning Act of 2002, Division 6, Part 2.2 of the California Water Code (the "**Act**"), several of the Parties entered into a Memorandum of Understanding in 2008 ("**2008 MOU**"), which was renewed in 2012 ("**2012 MOU**"). The purpose of those memoranda of understanding was to formally establish a governance structure called the "Leadership Committee" to coordinate and share information concerning water resources management planning programs and projects and other information for grant funding and Integrated Regional Water Management Plan ("**IRWMP**") implementation.

The 2012 MOU established that the Leadership Committee would become the Regional Water Management Group ("**RWVG**") for the GLAC Region, in accordance with the Act. The 2012 MOU will expire on December 31, 2017.

The Parties intend by this MOU to continue the RWVG, provide procedures for adding and replacing members of the RWVG, and to develop, administer, update, and implement an IRWMP for the GLAC Region.

The Parties therefore agree as follows:

SECTION 1. PURPOSES AND GOALS

The Parties desire to coordinate and share information concerning water resources management planning programs and projects and other information for grant funding and IRWMP implementation, and to improve and maintain overall communication among the Parties. It is anticipated that coordination and information sharing among the Parties will assist the Parties in achieving their respective missions and contribute to the overall well-being of the GLAC Region.

SECTION 2. JOINT PLANNING FOR PROJECTS AND PROGRAMS

2.1 Projects and Programs:

The Parties intend to coordinate and collaborate to develop and implement projects and programs. The Parties recognize that coordinated projects can achieve greater benefits than single purpose projects. Applicable projects and programs include, but are not limited to, the following:

2.1.1 An IRWMP for the GLAC Region; and

2.1.2 Solicitation of external funding for implementation of the IRWMP for the GLAC Region.

2.2 Formation of the RWMG. The Parties hereby re-establish and continue the RWMG pursuant to California Water Code section 10539.

2.3 Governance and Operations of the RWMG. The RWMG is also known as the "Leadership Committee" and is composed of the Parties. The RWMG's procedures are set forth in the *Guidelines for the Operation of the Regional Water Management Group and Steering Committees for the Greater Los Angeles County Region Integrated Regional Water Management Plan* ("**Operating Guidelines**") attached as Exhibit B. The Operating Guidelines serve as the basis for the RWMG's decision-making process, and will be reviewed by the RWMG as necessary and may be amended by vote of the RWMG according to the voting procedure set forth in the Operating Guidelines. The Operating Guidelines must be consistent with this MOU, and are void to the extent they are in conflict with this MOU.

2.4 New Parties: Any non-Party may become a member of the RWMG and a Party to this MOU upon the following conditions:

2.4.1 The prospective member is a public agency or non-profit organization that has a role in water supply or water management and is approved as a member according to the procedures set forth in the Operating Guidelines (as that term is defined above); and

2.4.2 The prospective member formally approves and duly executes and agrees to be bound by this MOU; and

2.4.3 The prospective member is approved by a majority vote of the Leadership Committee.

2.5 Membership Requirement and Notification: When a non-Party entity is voted to be a member of the RWMG, that member-elect must approve and sign this MOU within 90 days after election in order to be formally seated on the RWMG. Upon the member-elect's approval of this MOU, the member-elect will automatically become a Party under this MOU, and may replace an outgoing Party in accordance with the Operating Guidelines. Exhibit C to this MOU will be changed to add the new Party and to delete the outgoing Party, if any. Exhibit C will be made public on the RWMG's website, and the Chair of the Leadership Committee shall cause a written notice of the Party change to be mailed to all Parties within 10 business days after the change. The addition of (or replacement of a Party by) a new member-elect will be made through this procedure and does not require an amendment to this MOU.

2.4.2.6 Preparation and Adoption of the IRWMP

2.4.12.6.1 The RWMG will facilitate the development and implementation of the IRWMP for the GLAC IRWM Region.

2.4.22.6.2 The Parties each hereby adopt and approve the IRWMP. The Parties also hereby adopt and approve any updated IRWMP that is approved by the RWMG according to the procedures set forth in the Operating Guidelines.

2.52.7 Endorsement by Other Entities. The Parties should encourage other entities to adopt resolutions endorsing the GLAC IRWM Region's IRWMP. Endorsements do not obligate entities beyond the demonstration of support for regional water management cooperation. Entities endorsing the GLAC IRWM Region's IRWMP will not be members of the RWMG or Parties unless they are added to the MOU in accordance with Section 2.

SECTION 3. GENERAL PROVISIONS

3.1 Term: This MOU will become effective on approval of a majority of the Parties and will expire on December 31, 2020.

3.2 Construction of Terms: This MOU is for the sole benefit of the Parties and does not grant rights to any non-Party or impose obligations on a Party in favor of any non-Party.

3.3 Good Faith: Each Party shall use reasonable efforts and work in good faith for the expeditious completion of the purposes and goals of this MOU and the satisfactory performance of its terms.

3.4 Governing Law: This MOU is made under and will be governed by the laws of the State of California.

3.5 Execution: This MOU may be executed in counterparts and the signed counterparts will constitute a single instrument. The signatories to this MOU represent that they have the authority to bind their respective Party to this MOU.

~~3.6 Succession: Successor appointees shall sign this MOU prior to being seated on the Leadership Committee.~~

3.6 Termination: This MOU may be terminated by mutual written agreement of a majority of the Parties. Any Party may terminate its participation in this MOU upon 60 days' written notice to the remaining Parties. When a Party is no longer a member of the RWMG, that Party's participation in this MOU automatically terminates. Termination of a Party pursuant to this provision does not prevent that terminated party from endorsing the IRWMP.

3.7 Administration: The Chair of the Leadership Committee will be responsible for the ongoing administration of this MOU.

3.8 Financial Commitment: Neither the signing of this MOU nor the adoption by the governing boards of the Parties commits any Party to any financial obligation.

3.9 Severability: The provisions of this MOU are severable, and the invalidity, illegality or unenforceability of any provision of this MOU will not affect the validity or enforceability of any other provisions. If any provision of this MOU is found to be invalid, illegal, or unenforceable, the Parties shall

endeavor to modify that clause in a manner which gives effect to the intent of the Parties in entering into this MOU.

3.10 Amendments: This MOU may be amended or modified only by written mutual consent of all Parties that are members of the RWMG at the time of the amendment or modification. No waiver of any term or condition of this MOU or any Party will be a continuing waiver.

3.11 Supersession: This MOU supersedes and replaces the 2008 MOU and the 2012 MOU, both of which are of no further force or effect.

3.12 Notice:

3.12.1 Any correspondence, communication or contact concerning this MOU must be directed to the Parties at the name and address listed in Exhibit C. The Parties agree to timely inform the Chair of the Leadership Committee of any changes needed in the name or address of their respective representatives. After such a change is made pursuant to the Operating Guidelines, the Chair will provide all Parties with an updated copy of Exhibit C. The Chair shall ensure that a current version of Exhibit C is posted to the RWMG's website.

3.12.2 Notice will be deemed as given upon personal delivery, receipt of e-mail, receipt of fax confirmation, or five days after deposit in U.S. Mail, first-class postage, prepaid, and addressed as set forth above.

The Parties are signing this Memorandum of Understanding as of the dates opposite their respective signatures.

[Signatures appear on following pages.]

LOS ANGELES COUNTY FLOOD
CONTROL DISTRICT,
a body corporate and politic

Dated: _____

By _____
Chief Engineer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

MARY C. WICKHAM

| ~~Interim~~ County Counsel

By _____
Deputy

**Guidelines for the Operation of the
Regional Water Management Group and Steering Committees of the
Greater Los Angeles County Region
Integrated Regional Water Management Plan
~~June~~ July 2015**

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I. Introduction

a. The intent of the Greater Los Angeles County (**GLAC**) Region (Region)'s Integrated Regional Water Management (**IRWM**) program is to encourage integrated regional strategies for the management of water resources, and to provide funding, through competitive grants, for projects that protect communities from drought, improve water reliability, protect and improve water quality, and improve local water security by reducing dependence on imported water.

b. The IRWM's Regional Water Management Group (**RWVG**) is composed of the parties (**Parties**) to the Memorandum of Understanding for ~~the~~ Integrated Regional Water Management Planning and Implementation for the Greater Los Angeles County Region (MOU), ~~and sometimes also known as the "Leadership Committee."~~ Among the goals of the RWVG is the development of an IRWM Plan (Plan) and solicitation of funding for implementation of that Plan.

c. The decision-making structure for the GLAC Region (Region) IRWM Plan (Plan) RWVG consists of a region-wide decision-making body known as the includes five sub-regional Steering Committees and a regional Leadership Committee, and five geographically-based sub-regional Steering Committees.

d. Each Steering Committee consists of representatives from each sub-region's local agencies and organizations involved in water management and related topics. The five subregions are: North Santa Monica Bay, South Bay, Upper Los Angeles River, Upper San Gabriel River and Rio Hondo River, and Lower San Gabriel and Lower Los Angeles Rivers, as shown on Attachment A.-

e. The Leadership Committee consists of 16 regular members and their alternates, as follows:

1. the Los Angeles County Flood Control District, which will sit as the Chair of the Leadership Committee,
2. the Chair and Vice-Chair of each Steering Committee and their alternates; and
3. five **Water Management Area** representatives, one for each Water Management Area, and their alternates.

f. The five Water Management Areas are:

1. surface water,
2. groundwater,
3. sanitation,

4. stormwater, and
5. open space.

II. Sub-Regional Steering Committees

Each of the five sub-regions of the Region's IRWM planning area, ~~as identified on Attachment A,~~ will be guided by a Steering Committee consisting of representatives of local agencies or organizations involved in local water management and related topics. To the extent feasible, the formation and composition of each Steering Committee will be consistent with the following:

a. Formation

1. Each member entity should have experience with at least one of the following Water Management Areas: groundwater, surface water, storm water, sanitation, and open space.
2. Each Steering Committee should strive to include at least one city ~~representation~~ and at least one member entity with experience in each Water Management Area.
3. Entities wishing to join a Steering Committee ~~shall~~ must submit a written request to the Steering Committee Chair. The written request will be presented to the Steering Committee for deliberation and a vote. A majority vote of the Steering Committee is required to add ~~a member an~~ entity to the Steering Committee.
4. Each member entity will designate a primary and secondary representative to represent it on the Steering Committee. Each representative will serve at the pleasure of the appointing member entity.
5. It is desirable, but not required, that the primary and secondary representative designated by each member entity should be representative of that entity's executive level.
6. Each Steering Committee member shall have one vote. The presence of a simple majority of the Steering Committee members at any meeting of the Steering Committee constitutes a quorum for the purposes of conducting business. The affirmative vote of a majority of those Steering Committee members present and voting is required for all decisions and recommendations of the Steering Committee.
7. The members of each Steering Committee will elect from among themselves a Chair of the Steering Committee. The Chair will serve at the pleasure of the Steering Committee and will serve on the Leadership Committee. The term of each Steering Committee Chair will be reviewed every 3 years on a staggered basis, as illustrated in the table below.

8. The members of each Steering Committee will elect from among themselves a Vice-Chair to preside over meetings of the Steering Committee in the absence of the Chair. The Vice-Chair will serve at the pleasure of the Steering Committee and will serve on the Leadership Committee. The term of each Steering Committee Vice-Chair will be reviewed every 3 years on a staggered basis, as illustrated in the table below.

9. Each Steering Committee may select an other member entity to serve as alternate for the Chair's alternate to serve on the Leadership Committee with voting rights only in his/her absence and as an alternate for the Vice-Chair's alternate to serve on the Leadership Committee with voting rights only in his/her absence. The selection process for the alternates will be established by each Steering Committee. ~~The alternates selected for the Chair and Vice-Chair need not be from the same member entity as the Chair and Vice-Chair, respectively.~~

10. Any member entity holding the position of the Chair, Vice-Chair, or alternates must become a signatory to the Memorandum of Understanding for Integrated Regional Water Management Planning and Implementation for the Greater Los Angeles County Region (MOU) within 90 days after being elected to the position of Chair, Vice-Chair, or alternate, if they have not already done so. If a member entity fails to become a signatory within 90 days, then the Steering Committee may elect a new member to assume the position of Chair, Vice-Chair, or if applicable, alternate.

11. The Steering Committee will nominate one representative for each Water Management Area, without geographic consideration, for consideration to serve on the Leadership Committee. The term of each Water Management Area representative will be reviewed every 3 years on a staggered basis, as illustrated in the table below.

12. The Steering Committee may establish a membership size limitation.

13. A Steering Committee may request a member entity replace its representative for failure to participate.

14. ~~In addition to the above, individual~~ Steering Committees may adopt additional rules for their formation and participation, but those rules must not conflict with these Guidelines.

b. **Roles and Responsibilities.** The Steering Committees will have the following roles and responsibilities:

1. Represent the interests of the sub-region.
2. Meet monthly or as required to accomplish their purpose in developing the IRWM Plan, evaluating proposed projects and conducting necessary business. The Steering Committee Chair may call meetings as needed.

3. Establish, as necessary, subcommittees charged with studying, investigating and soliciting information that will advance the development, implementation and administration of the Plan and/or other areas of business. Subcommittees will be subject to the oversight of the Steering Committee and no recommendation or finding of a subcommittee will be binding upon the Steering Committee. Subcommittee size and composition will be determined by the Steering Committee, and subcommittee members may be selected from any representative of any Steering Committee member entity or organization, or any appropriate stakeholder.

4. Identify reliable and long-term funding for the implementation of the Plan and the projects described in the Plan from sources, including local, state and federal funding, and consider pursuing funds from these sources. Steering Committee members will also lend individual support to efforts to apply for and procure such funds, to the extent that each entity is able. Steering Committee members may also choose to contribute funds to support any and all phases of the work to be performed for development and implementation of the Plan.

5. Prepare periodic reports to its member agencies, organizations and stakeholders describing the progress toward targets and objectives of the Plan.

6. Share to the extent not otherwise prohibited by law, privilege, or previous lawful agreement, all information required to develop, prepare, implement and administer and submit documents for the Plan, including monitoring data, Computer Assisted Drawing and Design and Geographic Information Systems or other electronic data. Such sharing shall be subject to any applicable license agreements or other restrictions. All data shared among the entities shall be provided "as is" and without warranties as to accuracy or as to any other characteristics, whether expressed or implied. The intent of this data-sharing provision is to facilitate the development, implementation and administration of the Plan, and not to authorize use of this data for tasks unrelated to the Plan, unless deemed appropriate by the Steering Committee.

7. Adopt fiscal procedures as necessary to administer funds that may be received for purposes of development, administration and/or implementation of the Plan.

8. To the extent feasible, make all meetings of each Steering Committee open to the public and post meeting notices on a designated website.

9. Provide outreach to local entities and communities to ensure adequate input from all stakeholders.

10. Maintain a sub-regional project list and ensure that the Leadership Committee's master list of projects is current.

11. Maintain a list of sub-regional goals and priorities as appropriate.

12. Identify and sponsor sub-regional planning studies as needed.

13. Work with the Leadership Committee to update and implement the Plan as required.

14. Participate in the Leadership Committee.

III. Leadership Committee

a. Formation

1. The Leadership Committee will consist of the Los Angeles County Flood Control District, the Chairs and Vice-Chairs of each of the five ~~Sub-regional~~ Steering Committees, and five additional members representing each of five Water Management Areas. Each of these sixteen members will have one vote on the Leadership Committee. Alternate members may vote in place of their regular member only in the event that their regular member is absent during a vote.

2. According to the schedule below, each Steering Committee will nominate a member entity to fill each of the five Water Management Area positions on the Leadership Committee. These nominations will be reviewed by and subject to a majority vote of Steering Committee Chairs and Vice-Chairs and the Chair of the Leadership Committee.

3. The Steering Committee Chairs and Vice-Chairs and the Chair of the Leadership Committee may also select another member entity to serve as alternate to each Water Management Area representatives with voting rights only in the absence of the regular Water Management Area representative. ~~The alternate Water Management Area representative need not be from the same member entity as the regular Water Management Area representative.~~ Alternates must be selected from among the nominations submitted by each Steering Committee.

4. Any member entity holding a regular or alternate Water Management Area position must become a signatory to the MOU within 90 days after being elected to that position, if they have not already done so. If a member entity fails to become a signatory within 90 days, then the Steering Committee may elect a new member to assume that Water Management Area position.

5. Each member entity holding a Water Management Area position will designate a primary and secondary representative to represent it on the Leadership Committee. In the event that a representative is unable to continue serve during its term, then the designating Party will select a replacement to fulfill the remainder of the term. The primary and alternate representative must be approved by the Leadership Committee and must meet the minimum qualifications for Water Management Area Representatives set forth in Exhibit B.

6. The Los Angeles County Flood Control District will serve as Chair of the Leadership Committee, at the pleasure of the Leadership Committee, and will be represented by the Chief Engineer of the Los Angeles County Flood Control District or his/her designee.

7. In addition to any additional reviews deemed necessary by the Leadership and/or Steering Committees, all Leadership Committee member terms will be reviewed every 3 years on a staggered basis as follows: Each sub-region will review the Chair and Vice-Chair Steering Committee positions for its sub-region every 3 years as illustrated in the table below. The Chair of the Leadership Committee and Chairs and Vice-Chairs of the Steering Committees will review the Water Management Area positions every 3 years as illustrated in the table below. If possible, the entity selected to represent each Water Management Area should be selected from a different sub-region every 3 years. Each Steering Committee will nominate a representative to fill the Water Management Area position. These nominations will be reviewed by and subject to a majority vote of Steering Committee Chairs and Vice-Chairs, and the Leadership Committee Chair for consideration and appointment. Leadership Committee members may serve consecutive terms.

Position	Year									
	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
Chair		x			x			x		etc
Vice-Chair	x			x			x			etc
WMA										etc
Surface Water			x			x			x	etc
Sanitation			x			x			x	etc
Groundwater			x			x			x	etc
Stormwater			x			x			x	etc
Open Space			x			x			x	etc

8. Each entity serving as a member of the Leadership Committee must become a signatory to the MOU. Any Leadership Committee member that withdraws from the Leadership Committee in writing or consistently fails to participate (as deemed by majority vote of the Leadership Committee) effectively withdraws its agency from the Leadership Committee and the MOU. The withdrawn member will be replaced on the Leadership Committee through the processes described in these Operating Guidelines.

9. The presence of a simple majority of the Leadership Committee members at any meeting of the Leadership Committee will constitute a quorum for the purposes of conducting business. The affirmative vote of a majority of

those Leadership Committee members present and voting is required for all decisions and recommendations of the Leadership Committee.

10. No member entity may serve on the Leadership Committee in more than one position, except that an alternate position may be held by a representative from the same member entity that holds the corresponding regular position.

b. **Roles and Responsibilities.** The Leadership Committee will have the following roles and responsibilities:

1. Meet monthly or as required to accomplish its purpose in developing the IRWM Plan and conduct necessary business. The Leadership Committee Chair may call meetings as needed.

2. Establish, as necessary, subcommittees charged with studying, investigating and soliciting information that will advance the development, administration, and implementation of the Plan. The subcommittees will be subject to the oversight of the Leadership Committee, and no recommendation or finding of a subcommittee will be binding upon the Leadership Committee. Subcommittee size and composition will be determined by the Leadership Committee, and subcommittee members may be selected from any representative of the various Steering Committee entities or any appropriate stakeholder.

3. Identify and pursue funding as needed for the development and administration of the Plan. The Leadership Committee will be responsible for determining the amount of contributions necessary for administration of the Plan. Leadership Committee representatives will communicate to their respective Steering Committees the amount of funding needed and will pursue commitments for contributions from Steering Committee members and other stakeholders.

4. Identify and pursue reliable and long-term funding for the implementation of the Plan and the projects described in the Plan from sources including local, state and federal.

5. Prepare periodic reports for the Steering Committees and stakeholders describing the progress of the development, administration and implementation of the Plan.

6. Share (to the extent not otherwise prohibited by law, privilege, or previous lawful agreement) all information required to develop, prepare, implement and administer and submit documents for the Plan, including monitoring data, Computer Assisted Drawing and Design and Geographic Information Systems or other electronic data. Such sharing shall be subject to any applicable license agreements or other restrictions. All data shared among the Parties shall be provided "as is" and without warranties as to accuracy or as to any other characteristics, whether expressed or implied. The intent of this data-sharing provision is to facilitate the development, implementation and administration of the Plan, and not to authorize use of

this data for tasks unrelated to the Plan, unless deemed appropriate by the Leadership Committee.

7. Adopt, as necessary, fiscal procedures to administer funds that may be received for purposes of development, administration and/or implementation of the Plan.

8. Establish a project evaluation framework that is consistent across the Region for the purpose of quantifying project benefits to allow for the categorization and prioritization of proposed projects based on the Water Management Focus Areas and consistency with the Plan.

9. Facilitate the adoption of the Plan by those entities within the Region with responsibility for one or more Water Management Areas.

10. To the extent feasible, make all meetings of the Leadership Committee open to the public and post meeting notices on a designated website.

11. Provide regional oversight to the Greater Los Angeles County Region IRWMP.

12. Track regional progress towards the Greater Los Angeles County Region IRWMP targets achieved through IRWM funded projects.

13. Act as liaison between the State and the Steering Committees.

14. Represent the Region's needs to the State.

15. Provide a balance for sub-regional interests.

16. Provide regional outreach related to the Greater Los Angeles County Region IRWMP.

17. Periodically update the Greater Los Angeles County Region IRWMP.

~~0. Serve as the Regional Water Management Group in accordance with the Integrated Regional Water Management Planning Act of 2002, Division 6, Part 2.2 of the California Water Code, as amended.~~

V.IV. Guidelines for Transparency The following guidelines have been established to enable participation in the planning effort by all stakeholders and to ensure transparency in decision-making by the Leadership Committee:

a. The Leadership Committee will prepare and circulate agendas in advance of its meetings. The Steering Committees will have an opportunity to discuss those agendas prior to the Leadership Committee meetings when possible.

b. Minutes from Leadership Committee meetings will be posted on the website and distributed to stakeholders with key action items such that subsequent interested parties can review and understand the recommendations and actions.

VI.V. Guidelines for Funding Contributions

a. The Leadership Committee will determine the budget for ongoing IRWMP operations (funding target). Such operations include but are not limited to consultant support, administrative expenses, special studies, direct costs, etc.

b. The budget shall be determined for multiple years so as to provide participating entities planning information for their own budgetary purposes.

c. All Steering Committees are expected to contribute equitably to the funding target. The Chair and Vice-Chair of each Steering Committee will be responsible for outreach to Steering Committee members and stakeholders in order to obtain the necessary contributions.

d. All Leadership Committee and Steering Committee members will be expected to contribute towards the funding target established by the Leadership Committee based on their ability to pay. Leadership Committee and Steering Committee members are also expected to assist in outreaching to local entities for funding contributions.

e. If extenuating circumstances prevent a Steering Committee from raising its portion of the funding target, the Chair and Vice-Chair of the Steering Committee may appeal in writing to the Leadership Committee for an exception to the funding target, explaining their extenuating circumstances.

f. The Leadership Committee and Steering Committees will seek planning grants and other sources of funding as available to offset the amount of Steering Committee member contributions or contributions from other entities.

Attachment A

Map of the GLAC Region's IRWM Planning Area and its Five Sub-Regions

Attachment B

Water Management Area Representative Minimum Qualifications

Greater Los Angeles County Integrated Regional Water Management Region		
Water Management Area (WMA) Representation Minimum Requirements		
WMA	Minimum Years Of Experience	Description
Groundwater	Five +	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Experience in one of the following groundwater areas: remediation, supply, management and/or storage.• Educational background or equivalent work experience in engineering, natural sciences, land use management, conservation, or other water resource-related field.• Must not have competing or conflicting groundwater interests within or outside of the Greater L.A. Region.
Open Space	Five +	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Experience with habitat, open space and/or recreational issues at a regional level (i.e. across municipal jurisdictions and watershed boundaries).• Educational background or equivalent work experience in natural sciences, land use management, conservation, or other water resource-related field.• Familiar with the agencies and organizations involved in habitat/open space issues in the LA Region who are likely to be project proponents, land owners or permittees of projects.
Sanitation	Five +	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Experience in local or regional agency that provides wastewater collection, treatment, recycling and/or disposal services.• Education background and work experience in science, engineering, waste management or related fields.

Stormwater	Five +	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Experience in overseeing/managing stormwater pollution abatement projects and knowledge in stormwater programs in multi-watersheds as defined in the Greater Los Angeles Region IRWMP. • Educational background or work experience in engineering, environmental science, biology, chemistry, toxicology, microbiology, urban planning or closely related field. • Sound knowledge of NPDES Stormwater Permit and TMDL issues as related to the region. • Experience in taking a major role in regional NPDES stormwater permit and TMDL compliance efforts involving multiple jurisdictions. • Ability to provide a regional perspective on stormwater and water quality issues.
Surface Water	Five +	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Expertise in the planning, design and construction, financing, and operations of water works facilities which includes storage reservoirs, transmission and distribution systems, pumping plants, water treatment, water conservation, and system optimization particularly as it effects power usage. • Educational background or work experience in engineering, urban planning, environmental studies or related fields. • Sound knowledge of existing and emerging regulations, as well as environmental matters and familiarity with California water law and regulations. • Knowledgeable of the roles of federal, state and local governmental agencies involved in either the regulation of or the operation of water supply facilities, as well as familiarity with key nongovernmental agencies that influence the operations of water systems. • Experience in the acquisition of water rights.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • General Minimum Qualifications for all WMA Representatives Familiar with the Region's IRWMP, its decision making structure, the committee members, goals and targets, and specific issues, challenges and potential solutions related to the specific WMA on a regional scale. • Must be able to represent regional interests in the Greater Los Angeles County Region. • Must be able to attend and participate in Leadership Committee meetings. 		