### Technical Work Plan: Status Report and Update (Agenda Item 19)



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#### Overview of Discussion

- Firming up the Technical Workplan, moving forward
- Bill Faisst and B&C evaluation of Alts for MCDS

#### Time permitting:

- Quick overview of work products under development
- Q&A and discussion

#### Technical Work Plan – Moving Forward

- Focused work plan to be developed to align with WSAC's anticipated schedule and intended outputs for Real Deal
  - Overall framework; clear roadmap
  - Expected timelines
  - Anticipated types of outputs

#### Key Areas of Focus in Work Plan

- Defining the Problem
  - Demand
  - Supply
  - Supply-Demand Gap
- Identifying Alts
- Evaluating the Alts

#### Team Update – Under Subcontract

- Brown and Caldwell
- M-Cubed (David Mitchell)
- Maddaus Water Management
- Pueblo Water Resources
- HydroMetrics
- Gary Fiske, Shawn Chartrand
- John Rosenblum
- George Tchobanoglous
- Trussell Technologies

#### Brown and Caldwell role

- Technologically vet the Alts
- Refine Alts' components to reflect realities
- Evaluate/update costs of Alts
- Estimate costs for Alts with unquantified costs
- Add information on environmental, technical and other aspects, and identify unresolved issues

### North Coast: Liddell Quarry



#### Brief Update on Progress to Date

If/as time permits

# 1. Conservation, Demand Management, Improved Forecast

- Assessing Impact of Current Drought
  - Memo in Oct packet on green and hospitality sector roundtables
  - Survey prepared for Chamber of Commerce circulation
  - Interview completed with UC Santa Cruz
  - Possible interviews with schools (e.g., athletic fields)

# 1. Conservation, Demand Management, Improved Forecast (cont.)

- Econometric Demand Forecasting
  - Scoping in progress (David Mitchell)
  - Insights gleaned from other major utilities (shared insights on why prior forecasts were overstated)
- Water Use Intensities
  - Memo in Oct packet

# 1. Conservation, Demand Management, Improved Forecast (cont.)

- Potential for Additional Conservation
  - How much more can be saved? At what total cost? Borne by whom?
  - Focus on shaving peak season demands
  - Task Orders in progress for Maddaus, and Rosenblum

#### 2. Climate change

- Impacts on Surface Flows and Yields
  - Downscaled GCM results compiled and applied in hydrologic streamflow model
  - Streamflow changes input to Confluence model
  - Very complex suite of issues to address
  - Continuing to sort through technical approach and climate model data interpretations, with Chartrand and Fiske

# 3. Energy Requirements & Carbon Footprint

- How much net energy and GHG emissions accrue across key Alts?
  - Brown and Caldwell to investigate, in conjunction with John Rosenblum
  - Near-term focus on small suite of Alts for December run of MCDS model

## 8. Lifecycle Costing and Technical Performance

For relevant Alts: What do they really cost? What do they yield? How reliable are they?

- Initial implementation costs (capital, land, permitting, etc.)
- Operation and maintenance costs
- Periodic replacement costs
- Yields across seasons, weather, years, etc.
- Energy requirements

## 4. Fishery Flow Requirements and Impacts on Yields

- To be integrated into HCP streamflow model and Confluence efforts (as described for climate change)
  - Jeff Hagar providing insight and review for Chartrand and Fiske efforts

## 5. Water Storage (inter-annual and inter-seasonal)

- On-stream storage (Loch, and elsewhere?)
  - What if we manage Loch Lomond differently? How might this align future supply and demand? How does this change risks?
  - How many years of drought to be applied for planning drawdown strategies?
  - Water Department sorting through this with Fiske

## 5. Water Storage (cont.)

- Groundwater ASR and related practices
  - Can water be placed, stored and retrieved from any of the regional aquifer systems?
  - Pueblo Water Resources will scope issues
- HydroMetrics clear of Conflict of Interest issues with Soquel Creek Water District for shared groundwater basins

#### 6. Groundwater Supplies and Management

- Viability of North Coast wells
  - Is this a feasible option? What are the potential yields and water quality?
  - Pueblo Water Resources to scope

### 7. Water Recycling

- How much reclaimed water is available?
  - Potential yield may be 4 MGD
- Potable Reuse:
  - What are the options (IPR, DPR)? How do they compare to other alts? What are the public health implications and perceptions?
- Nonpotable Reuse (NPR):
  - What are the possible demands and costs?

#### 9. Enrichment Series

- Several good topics suggested and requested
- Where, when and how do we provide this series?

### Questions?