

## 2007 CalFed watershed PSP concept submission

**Title:** Dry Creek Watershed Management Plan: Integrating local management action

**Grant Amount Requested:** \$381,300

**Applicant:** Dry Creek Conservancy for American Basin Council of Watersheds

**Partner/co sponsor:** County of Placer

**Additional partners/supporters:** Town of Loomis, Local Government Commission, Regional Water Authority

### Summary

1. The project will use the results of a risk assessment process being led by Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment to analyze information that has been collected by DCC and others. The risk assessment will guide the planning to focus on the most important management issues and areas. The data include impervious cover analysis done for the watershed by OEHHA. The analysis will point to gaps requiring more information.
2. Existing management documents will be reviewed to look for common objectives. Plans to be reviewed include Roseville Riparian Management, Dry Creek Greenway Concept, Placer County Conservation Plan, the Dry Creek Coordinated Resource Management Plan and workplans of departments in local government agencies such as flood control and stormwater. The WMP will knit together the objectives of the various plans into a document whose overarching goal is to provide sustainable watershed management.
3. Existing management activities and projects of local government will be reviewed to find those that contribute to the WMP objectives in their current form. Others will be identified that can be modified so that they contribute more closely to WMP objectives.
4. The review team will discuss the modifications with the local management agencies to seek approval of the changes in management techniques.
5. The Watershed Assessment Framework will be used to develop specific indicators that can be used to assess the success of management practices.
6. Local government agencies will be approached to gain adoption of the watershed plan. State agencies such as the water boards will be asked to recognize the value of the WMP and to give credit to local government for adhering to its policies.
7. The project team will work with IRWMP's such as Regional Water Authority and CABY to integrate WMP projects that are appropriate to the IRWMP's. This can provide funding for projects meeting WMP objectives.
8. The project will support local school projects such the Rio Linda High School watershed program.
9. Part of the plan will develop a pilot project that works with a currently proposed development to incorporate smart growth, low impact development and other BMP's. The Center for Watershed Protection will suggest stormwater retrofit measures that will decrease urban impacts on storm discharge.
10. The project will work with the regional stormwater management group to review current homeowner outreach and propose a coordinated program.