

Chapter 11

Action Plan

Purpose and Scope

The purpose of the Action Plan is to present the significant water management activities that the Regional Water Planning Commission (RWPC) has identified as a need or action item for the planning period. The Action Plan seeks to provide guidance and emphasis for the future work of the RWPC, water purveyors, wastewater treatment providers, and local and regional governments with respect to the management of the Region's water resources.

Introduction

Chapters 2 through 6 and Chapter 8 discuss the background information on water resource availability and management within the planning area. Chapter 9, "Issues Identification and Proposed Alternatives", provides an overall summary of the work that has been performed by the RWPC and others since the adoption of the 1995–2015 Regional Water Plan. It also identifies future work that needs to be addressed to ensure the ongoing sustainable use and development of the Region's water resources.

The Recommendations section under each issue in Chapter 9 contains a summary of the recommendations from work that was performed in response to issues identified in the 1995–2015 Regional Water Plan. In many cases, these studies resulted in further analyses to refine the recommendations and identified needs for additional work that has yet to be performed. Furthermore, the RWPC has identified new issues that need to be resolved in future work. Taken together, this work is identified under each of the issue categories presented in Chapter 9 as a numbered item under "Subsequent Activities and Additional Work Needed". These numbered items have been extracted to this chapter and form the basis of the Action Plan for the Regional Water Plan.

The items listed in the Action Plan may ultimately be implemented by a number of entities, either individually or through shared projects as is appropriate to the particular item. The Action Plan items are intended as a guide to the local and regional governments and water / wastewater purveyors as to where the emphasis of future water resource management planning should be placed. It is not intended to create a particular financial obligation on the part of any entity.

Additionally, the RWPC recognizes that new information may result in the need to change the emphasis of Action Plan items or to eliminate them altogether, as may be appropriate from time to time. It is the intent of this plan to provide the flexibility to respond to changing conditions and information.