SFEP Implementation Committee

Action 17: Policy Review to Promote Multi-Benefit Projects

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Policy Review
Multi-Benefit Projects

- Triennial Review of Basin Plan & Policies
- Wetland fill and restoration
- Use of treated wastewater in multi-benefit projects
- Sediment Management
Wetland Fill and Restoration

Policies under review

- Basin Plan Wetland Fill and Mitigation
- California Wetlands Conservation Policy - ensure “no net loss”

Issues:
- Fill that creates habitat, ecotone levees
- Conversion of waters, e.g., open water to tidal wetlands
- Landward edge of projects
- Shoreline hardening vs nature-based solutions
Use of Treated Wastewater

Basin Plan shallow water discharge prohibition
Exceptions

Policy 94-086: Net Environmental Benefit for wetlands

Added Benefits:
- Shoreline resilience
- Nutrient & CEC removal
- Freshwater - enhancement
Sediment Management

– Beneficial reuse of dredged Sediment
  • Options for placement
  • RMP funding – revisit reuse criteria
– Watershed management
  • Connectivity – watersheds to baylands
  • Restoration and flood control
– Coarse-grain beaches
Timeline

- Develop white papers
  - CECs
  - Policy 94-086
  - Fill issues

2018

Stakeholder workshops

2019-20

Board Hearings