



## Prop 84-Round 2 Project Selection Workgroup Suggested Criteria for Workgroup Consideration

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The following table presents suggested criteria to be considered by the Workgroup in developing the funding application package. Criteria have been categorized as project-level criteria or proposal-level criteria. Project-level criteria will be used to evaluate individual projects, while proposal-level criteria will be used to evaluate the proposal as a whole.

The ability of projects to address project-level criteria will be discussed during the first and second Workgroup meetings. The ability of the proposed funding application package to address the proposal-level criteria will be discussed during the third and fourth Workgroup meetings.

RMC will conduct technical review (truthing of database entries) and have numerical ranking complete prior to the first Workgroup meeting. RMC will ask questions of local project sponsors (LPS), as needed, and will inform LPS if any changes made to their database entries. LPS may contact Mark Stadler if they dispute the changes made.

Based on the numerical ranking, projects will be divided into Tier 1 (top 50<sup>th</sup> percentile) and Tier 2 (bottom 50<sup>th</sup> percentile). The Workgroup will evaluate the Tier 1 projects for potential inclusion within the grant application. However, once tiering is complete and the Workgroup has their Tier 1 project list, the numerical scores will be dropped and each project will be evaluated independently for its value and contribution to the region.

Interviews will be scheduled with LPS when the Workgroup has narrowed the list down to top 10-15 projects: 5 minute presentation with 10 minutes of Q&A. LPS will be directed as follows: "Keeping in mind the project-level criteria established for this grant cycle, please explain why this project should be funded."

The RAC will present appointments for the Project Selection Workgroup at their October 3<sup>rd</sup> RAC meeting. Workgroup appointments by caucus are due to Mark Stadler by October 19<sup>th</sup>. The Workgroup will recommend a suite of projects for the grant application at the December 5<sup>th</sup> RAC meeting.

Criteria	Suggested Workgroup Guidelines
<b>PROJECT-LEVEL CRITERIA</b>	
IRWM Plan Objectives	Select projects that contribute to the attainment of IRWM Plan objectives.
<u>Legal</u> , Scientific, and Technical <del>Merit</del> <u>Feasibility</u>	Select projects that are well supported from a technical standpoint based on supporting studies and data.
Budget	Select projects that have well-developed budgets and exhibit reasonable costs. Note that DAC projects are exempt from the 25% funding match requirement.
Readiness to Proceed	Select projects that will be ready to proceed by December <del>2014</del> <u>2014</u> .

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Contribution to Measurable Targets	Select projects that contribute to IRWM Plan targets.
Cost-Effectiveness – Water Supply, Water Quality, Flood Damage Reduction	Select projects that are cost-effective on both the short- and long-term, and provide quantifiable benefits to the region.
<del>Program Preferences<sup>a</sup></del>	<del>Select projects that implement Program Preferences and Statewide Priorities</del>
Benefits DACs	Select projects that address the critical water supply and water quality needs of DACs.
Benefits Tribes	Select projects that address the water resources needs of San Diego area tribes.
<u>Integration</u>	<u>Review integration potential using pre-defined types of integration – Partnerships, Management strategies, Beneficial uses, Geographic, Hydrologic</u>
<b>PROPOSAL-LEVEL CRITERIA</b>	
IRWM Plan Objectives	Proposal to include a suite of projects that addresses all IRWM Plan objectives.
Linkages to Other Projects	Proposal to include projects with synergies and linkages among them.
Funding Match	Proposal to achieve an overall <u>25-30%</u> funding match.
Schedule	Proposal must include at least one project that will begin implementation by <u>December 2014 May 2014</u> .
Economic Analysis – Water Supply, Water Quality and Other Expected Benefits, and Flood Damage Reduction	Proposal to include projects that realize quantifiable water supply benefits.
	Proposal to include projects that realize quantifiable water quality and other expected benefits.
	Proposal to include projects that realize quantifiable flood damage reduction benefits.
DWR Program Preferences	Proposal to include a suite of projects that implements a combination of Program Preferences with a high degree of certainty.
Geographic Parity	Proposal to include a suite of projects that will benefit hydrologic units across the Region.
<u>Number of Projects</u>	<u>Proposal not to exceed 5-7 total projects.</u>
<del>Degree of Negative Impact</del>	<del>Proposal to include a suite of projects that have minimal secondary or cumulative negative impacts, including those that occur over a longer time or distance.</del>
<u>Amount Leveraged</u>	<u>Proposal to include a suite of projects that allow other projects to move forward.</u>