ESPA CAMP Quantitative Goal and Interim Targets

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Advisory Committee Discussion Summary

- Identification of a 30-year quantitative goal, implementation phases and adaptive management plan
- Benefits
 - Aggressive but achievable with water availability
 - Identifies concrete goal to work toward
 - Creates awareness of the problem
 - Highlights the need for state funding
 - Others?

Committee Summary Quantitative Goal (continued)

Identification of 30-year quantitative goal
Challenges

- No agreement on whether it is the right place to begin the water budget change
- Need to reach agreement on the end of the process before getting started
- Concern that it may create funding obligations and legal precedent
- Others?

Committee Summary Quantitative Goal (continued)

- Identification of a 30-year quantitative goal range (600 – 900 kaf) and adaptive management plan
- Benefits
 - Provides quantitative target (range) to work toward
 - Allows more flexibility than a single goal
 - Communicates magnitude of problem and funding needed
 - Others?

Committee Summary Quantitative Goal (continued)

Quantitative Goal Range

- □ Challenges
 - Some parties want to work toward higher number and others support the lower number
 - Time spent determining range could be spent on identifying first increment priorities
 - Others?

Incremental Adaptive Management Strategy

Define first increment (5 -10 years) and outline process for subsequent increments

First Increment

- Outline objectives, management tools and adaptive management approaches including process for next increment
- Funding needs and strategies
- Develop standards and criteria for first increment
 - Easiest to implement, most benefit etc...

How to Approach the First Increment?

Identify an objective (number) for the first increment and work backward in terms of implementing management actions
Develop a list of management actions, prioritize and add tools together to determine first increment

Easiest, simplest to implement, what can be realistically accomplished etc...

□ Others?