

PROPOSAL

BDCP Local Issue Group(s)

- Description:** Group(s) that meets on an as needed basis in advance of a public draft BDCP to advise the Steering Committee on implementation of the draft conservation strategy, including individual conservation measures, that improve the conservation value of the measure while reducing its affect on other local resources. Each working group would include local stakeholders in particular components of the BDCP conservation strategy such as local governments, community groups, and landowners; as well as state and federal agencies and Steering Committee members or their agency designees.
- Purpose:** To seek input and address issues raised by local entities and individuals about approaches reflected in the Conservation Strategy and specific conservation measures. Solicit advice on approaches to implementation or design that might be incorporated into BDCP to address local concerns, identify cooperative approaches and reduce conflicts.
- Outcome:** Provide comments and recommendations for possible refinements in or implementation approaches for certain conservation measures, as appropriate and feasible, for Steering Committee consideration as it moves forward in the planning process. Provide a summary of design and implementation issues to the BDCP Management Entity for its consideration during plan implementation.

EXAMPLE

BDCP Local Issues Group – Conservation Measure WOCML2: Modify the Fremont Weir and Yolo Bypass and operate the Fremont Weir to provide for a higher frequency and duration of inundation of the Yolo Bypass.

- Charge:** Generate input into a refined BDCP Bypass operational plan that considers existing agricultural practices, wildlife management, public access and flood control. Generate input into initial implementation projects in Yolo Bypass, such as Putah Creek realignment, that can advance the biological goals and objectives of BDCP and provide potential water management benefits in the Bypass.

Potential

- Participants:** Yolo Working Group, Yolo Basin Foundation, Conway Ranch, other local landowners, Reclamation Districts, Yolo County, Yolo Natural Heritage Program, Sacramento Area Flood Control Agency, Army Corps of Engineers, UC Davis Watershed Science Center, Steering Committee members (PRE, NGO, DFG, NMFS and DWR)

Other Priority Local Issues Groups: Cache Slough, Suisun Marsh, San Joaquin Cosumnes/Mokulumne