Management Zone Governance

INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION TOPICS THAT ARE IMPORTANT TO THE FORMATION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF MANAGEMENT ZONES
Management Zone Establishment

- Not New, Similar to Integrated Regional Water Management Planning, ILRP and SGMA regions
  - Locally Controlled
  - State Approved
  - Funding is local and may be State
  - Outreach and Community support is vital to success
- Lessons can be learned from these programs
  - Existing organizations have an advantage and are busy with current work
  - Early adopters have funding advantage
  - Larger areas are often more efficient and bureaucratic
CV-SALTS Basin Plan Standards

- Performance based standards allow creativity and flexibility while focusing on results
- Implementation standards in the Approved Basin Plan and changes in the 12 Month BPA
  - Boundaries and continuity
  - Outreach and community involvement
  - Adequacy of early action and long term plans
- Plan Development Process requirements
- Implementation and reporting requirements
- Developing MZ Best Practices reduce paperwork and low value effort and focus on results
Conceptual Standard - Governance

- Adequate coverage completeness
- Representation of important entities
- Participation of relevant and appropriate groups
- Authority – conveyed or developed
- Powers – contracting, fee collection etc.
- Accessibility, acceptance, and documentation
- Institutional capacity and fiscal responsibility
- Performance monitoring reporting evaluation and adaptation
- Program, policy development and improvement
Governance Best Practices

- Long history of local governments and industry organizing
- Enduring success factors for regulatory programs
  - Policy
    - Vision
    - Leadership
    - Representation/Organization
  - Business/Technical
    - Capacity
    - Knowledge
    - Financial
  - Developmental
Governance Development

- MZ will not begin fully formed
- Organization and governance develops
- Typical cycle

1. **Formation or Ad-Hoc Group** – Ephemeral – Consensus – Exploratory
2. **Coordination Group MOU** – Temporal – Consensus but enforceable
3. **Agreement or Advisory Association** – Term of Agreement – Collaborative/advisory Legislative
4. **Institutional Agency or JPA** – Semi Permanent – Legislative
5. **Fully Integrated** – into permanent institutions (City/County Government) – Legislative
Potential Opportunities

- Debate about SGMA and ILRP leads
- Pilots Areas
  - ILRP group lead
  - Water related special district (public agency)
- Many other potential options are available (handout)
Organizational Efficiencies

• Two primary needs

• Local Representative Organization *(Council/Commission/Board)*
  - MZ representatives
  - Community Accessibility and involvement
  - Outreach and Impacted DW users
  - Policy decision-making and direction to “staff”

• Business Entity *(SGMA Entity, Coalition, NGO, Local Govt. County)*
  - Contracting/ “staffing”
  - Fairly collecting and disbursing funds
  - Organizing and documentation
  - Recordkeeping