

Salt and Nitrate Sources Pilot Study

Work Plan Outline

A. Work Plan Objectives and Scope

1. Study area descriptions
2. Study tools descriptions
3. Study methodologies (area specific)
 - a. Basic approach (tools to be used)
 - b. Data assessment (needs, gaps, sources)
 - c. Data collection and review
 - d. Mass balance analysis
 - e. Trend analysis
 - f. Sensitivity analyses
 - 1) Hydrologic conditions (wet, dry, normal)
 - 2) Land use
 - 3) Other factors?
4. Study output
5. Schedule

B. Study area descriptions

1. Yolo Sub-Basin
 - a. Surface watershed
 - 1) Boundaries
 - 2) Surface water features and supply sources
 - 3) Land use elements
 - b. Groundwater basin
 - 1) Stratigraphy
 - 2) Groundwater supply
2. Modesto Area
 - a. Surface watershed
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 3. Tule River Basin
 - a. Surface watershed
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 - 2) Surface water features and supply sources
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- C. Study Tools descriptions
 1. WARMF model
 - a. General description
 - b. Assumptions / limits
 - c. Inputs
 - 1) Meteorological
 - 2) Soils
 - 3) Topography
 - 4) Land use
 - 5) Surface water flows
 - 6) Surface water quality
 - 7) Irrigation rates
 - 8) Groundwater flows
 - 9) Groundwater quality
 - d. Outputs
 2. MODFLOW/USGS (Modesto) groundwater model
 - a. General description
 - b. Assumptions / limits
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 3. Tule River Basin (Harter) groundwater model
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 - 2) Spatial extent (WARMF + Groundwater model integration)
 - 3) Salts vs. nitrates
 - 4) Other constituents
 - e. Trend analysis
 - 1) Historical
 - a) Salts
 - b) Nitrates
 - 2) Future
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E. Study Output

1. Tables
2. Graphs/Charts
3. Maps
4. Other?

F. Schedule