Environmental Evaluation Sub-Team Update

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Tasks completed

Task 1: Review and assess areas of environmental sensitivity

■ Completed – map produced ✓

Task 2: Evaluate project locations relative to areas of environmental sensitivity

■ Competed – map produced

Task 3: Work with the MFLRT to evaluate projects for MFL water body impacts

MFL "measuring sticks" used in RWSP applied to all modeled scenarios

- "freeboard analysis"
- Evaluation of all model scenarios now complete √

Task 4: Work with the EMT to evaluate projects for non-MFL water body impacts

- Non-MFL wetland "Measuring sticks" used in RWSP applied to all modeled scenarios
 - EMT developed probability-based approach developed using field data
 - A computer program developed to post process multiple model runs more quickly
- lacksquare Evaluation of all model scenarios now complete lacksquare
- Draft Chapter 5 submitted 12/17 √

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Round 1 Modeling Results

- 4 Scenarios
 - Large, multi-jurisdictional Groundwater projects
 - As expected, additional groundwater withdrawals may increase impacts on MFLs and non-MFL wetlands
 - Implementation may require mitigation or offsets by implementation of Round 2 scenarios

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Round 2 Modeling Results

- 5 Scenarios
 - Concepts designed to improve environmental performance and test management strategies
- Most promising concepts:
 - Replacing groundwater withdrawals with AWS
 - Moving withdrawals from UFA to LFA
 - Moving withdrawals away from most susceptible areas
 - Targeted Recharge

Questions?