

UPPER FEATHER RIVER IRWM

PROJECT INFORMATION FORM

Please submit by 5:00 p.m. on August 3, 2015, to UFR.contact@gmail.com

Please provide information in the tables below:

I. PROJECT PROPONENT INFORMATION

Agency / Organization	Mountain Meadows Conservancy (MMC)		
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Other Cooperating Agencies /	W.M. Beaty and Associates, Pacific Gas and Electric, Sierra		
Organizations / Stakeholders	Pacific Industries, Feather River Land Trust, Lake Almanor		
	Watershed Group, Sierra Institute, Collins Pine Company,		
	Plumas Audubon Society, Point Blue Conservation Science,		
	Maidu Summit Consortium		
Is your agency/organization	Yes		
committed to the project through	d to the project through		
completion? If not, please explain			

II. GENERAL PROJECT INFORMATION

Project Title	FMW-5: Hamilton Branch Watershed Fencing Restoration
Project Category	Agricultural Land Stewardship
	Floodplains/Meadows/Waterbodies
	☐ Municipal Services
	☐ Tribal Advisory Committee
	☐ Uplands/Forest
Project Description	The project will create two separate interpretive and
(Briefly describe the project,	educational sites in the upper Feather River. The MMC will
in 300 words or less)	facilitate engagement with numerous local partners to ensure that the project addresses as many of the local interests as possible. The MMC will leverage their existing relationship with both Honey Lake and Mountain Maidu people from the beginning of the planning process.
	The proposed project will increase awareness of the management of lands of the upper Feather River and how those management actions are related to the delivery of water from the watershed to downstream water users. The

	sites will showcase adaptive management techniques that are being implemented in the region to ensure that downstream water users have reliable, high quality water into the future. Management techniques include rangeland management, forest management, reservoir management, wastewater management, recreational management and wildlife management.
Project Location Description (e.g., along the south bank of stream/river between river miles or miles from Towns/intersection and/or address):	There will be two sites; one will be located approximately 4 miles east of Westwood along the edge of the Mountain Meadows on Highway 36. The second site is located 1 mile east of Chester on Highway 36.
Latitude:	40 19′ 30″ N
Longitude:	120 56′ 16″ W
Latitude:	40 18′ 47″ N
Longitude:	121 12′ 51″ W

III. APPLICABLE IRWM PLAN OBJECTIVES ADDRESSED

For each of the objectives addressed by the project, provide a one to two sentence description of how the project contributes to attaining the objective and how the project outcomes will be quantified. If the project does not address *any* of the IRWM plan objectives, provide a one to two sentence description of how the project relates to a challenge or opportunity of the Region.

Upper Feather River IRWM Objectives:	Will the project address the objective?	Brief explanation of project linkage to selected Objective	Quantification (e.g. acres of streams/wetlands restored or enhanced)
Restore natural hydrologic functions.	☐ Yes ■ N/A		
Reduce potential for catastrophic wildland fires in the Region.	☐ Yes ■ N/A		
Build communication and collaboration among water resources stakeholders in the Region.	☐ Yes ■ N/A		
Work with DWR to develop strategies and actions for the management, operation, and control of SWP facilities in the	☐ Yes ■ N/A		
Upper Feather River Watershed in order to increase water supply, recreational, and			

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environmental benefits to the Region.					
Encourage municipal service providers to participate in regional water management	☐ Yes ■ N/A				
actions that improve water supply and water quality.	■ N/A				
Continue to actively engage in FERC relicensing of hydroelectric facilities in the	☐ Yes				
Region.	■ N/A				
Address economic challenges of municipal service providers to serve customers.	☐ Yes				
	■ N/A				
Protect, restore, and enhance the quality of surface and groundwater resources for all	☐ Yes ■ N/A				
beneficial uses, consistent with the RWQC Basin Plan.	■ N/A				
Address water resources and wastewater needs of DACs and	Yes				
Native Americans.	■ N/A				
Coordinate management of recharge areas and protect	Yes				
groundwater resources. Improve coordination of land	N/A Yes				
use and water resources					
planning.	■ N/A				
Maximize agricultural, environmental and municipal water use efficiency.	☐ Yes ■ N/A				
Effectively address climate	Yes	Project will engage local land			
change adaptation and/or mitigation in water resources management.	□ N/A	owners and land managers and will improve communication and collaboration among water resources stakeholders in the			
Improve efficiency and reliability of water supply and other water related	☐ Yes	region.			
other water-related infrastructure.	■ N/A				
Enhance public awareness and understanding of water	Yes	These sites will be accessible to the public and will provide both	Interpretive materials to		

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			Quantification
	Will the		(e.g. acres of
	project		streams/wetlands
Upper Feather River IRWM	address the	Brief explanation of project	restored or
Objectives:	objective?	linkage to selected Objective	enhanced)
management issues and needs.	□ N/A	visitors and locals with stunning,	educate
		scenic locations to enjoy and to	approximately
		learn more about the	1500 visitors per
		management of lands in the	year
		upper Feather River watershed.	
Address economic challenges of	☐ Yes		
agricultural producers.			
	■ N/A		
Work with counties/	☐ Yes		
communities/groups to make			
sure staff capacity exists for	■ N/A		
actual administration and			
implementation of grant			
funding.			
	scribe how the	project relates to a challenge or op	portunity for the
Region:			· •

IV. PROJECT IMPACTS AND BENEFITS

Please provide a summary of the expected project benefits and impacts in the table below or check N/A if not applicable; **do no leave a blank cell.** Note that DWR encourages multi-benefit projects.

If a	If applicable, describe benefits or impacts of the project with respect to:				
a.	Native American Tribal Communities		Projects will have interpretive materials		
		□ N/A	regarding the historic uses of the		
			proposed sites by native American people		
			in pre-European settlement times, these		
			materials will be developed in partnership		
			with Native American groups		
b.	Disadvantaged Communities ¹		Projects will be located adjacent to two		
		N/A	disadvantaged communities (Westwood		
			and Chester) and will inform visitors		
			about those communities. The sites will		
			increase exposure of the communities to		
			tourists that travel along the Highway 36		
			corridor		
c.	Environmental Justice ²				
		N/A			
d.	Drought Preparedness				
		■ N/A			
e.	Assist the region in adapting to effects of				
	climate change ³	■ N/A			
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f.	Generation or reduction of greenhouse gas	■ N. / A			
	emissions (e.g. green technology)	■ N/A			
	Other expected impacts or honefits that		Drojects will provide a platform to		
g.	Other expected impacts or benefits that are not already mentioned elsewhere	□ N/A	Projects will provide a platform to educate locals and visitors regarding the		
	are not already mentioned eisewhere	□ N/A	efforts that land owners and land		
			managers are making to steward their		
			lands in such a way that facilitates timber		
			production, hydroelectric generation,		
			livestock production, recreation		
			opportunities, wildlife abundance and		
			other benefits while also supplying		
			reliable water supplies to downstream		
			users		
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¹ A Disadvantaged Community is defined as a community with an annual median household (MHI) income that is less than 80 percent of the Statewide annual MHI. DWR's DAC mapping is available on the UFR website (http://featherriver.org/maps/).

² Environmental Justice is defined as the fair treatment of people of all races, cultures, and incomes with respect to the development, adoption, implementation and enforcement of environmental laws, regulations and policies. An example of environmental justice benefit would be to improve conditions (e.g. water supply, flooding, sanitation) in an area of racial minorities.

³ Climate change effects are likely to include increased flooding, extended drought, and associated secondary effects such as increased wildfire risk, erosion, and sedimentation.

DWR encourages multiple benefit projects which address one or more of the following elements (PRC §75026(a). Indicate which elements are addressed by your project.

a.	Water supply reliability, water	Yes	g.	Drinking water treatment and	Yes
	conservation, water use efficiency	□ N/A		distribution	□ N/A
b.	Stormwater capture, storage, clean-	Yes	h.	Watershed protection and	Yes
	up, treatment, management	□ N/A		management	□ N/A
c.	Removal of invasive non-native	Yes	i.	Contaminant and salt removal	☐ Yes
	species, creation/enhancement of	□ N/A		through reclamation/desalting,	■ N/A
	wetlands,			other treatment technologies and	
	acquisition/protection/restoration			conveyance of recycled water for	
	of open space and watershed lands			distribution to users	
d.	Non-point source pollution	Yes	j.	Planning and implementation of	Yes
	reduction, management and	□ N/A		multipurpose flood management	□ N/A
	monitoring			programs	
e.	Groundwater recharge and	Yes	k.	Ecosystem and fisheries	Yes
	management projects	□ N/A		restoration and protection	□ N/A
f.	Water banking, exchange,	Yes			
	reclamation, and improvement of	□ N/A			
	water quality				

V. RESOURCE MANAGEMENT STRATEGIES

For each resource management strategy (RMS) employed by the project, provide a one to two sentence description in the table below of how the project incorporates the strategy. A description of the RMS can be found in Volume 2 of the 2013 California Water Plan (http://featherriver.org/2013-california-water-plan-update/).

	Will the Project		
	incorporate	Description of how RMS to be employed,	
Resource Management Strategy	RMS?	if applicable	
Reduce Water Demand			
Agricultural Water Use Efficiency	☐ Yes ■ No		
Urban water use efficiency	☐ Yes ■ No		
Improve Flood Management			
Flood management	☐ Yes ■ No		
Improve Operational Efficiency and To	ransfers		
Conveyance – regional/local	☐ Yes ■ No		
System reoperation	☐ Yes ■ No		
Water transfers	☐ Yes ■ No		
Increase Water Supply			
Conjunctive management	☐ Yes ■ No		
Precipitation Enhancement	☐ Yes ■ No		
Municipal recycled water	☐ Yes ■ No		
Surface storage – regional/local	☐ Yes ■ No		
Improve Water Quality			
Drinking water treatment and	☐ Yes ■ No		
distribution	☐ TES ■ INO		

	Will the Project	
	incorporate	Description of how RMS to be employed,
Resource Management Strategy	RMS?	if applicable
Groundwater remediation/aquifer	☐ Yes ☐ No	
remediation		
Matching water quality to water use	Yes No	
Pollution prevention		Project will highlight efforts underway by land
	Yes No	managers and land owners to improve
		operations to reduce water pollution
Salt and salinity management	Yes No	
Urban storm water runoff	☐ Yes ■ No	
management		
Practice Resource Stewardship		
Agricultural land stewardship	☐ Yes ■ No	
Ecosystem restoration	Yes No	
Forest management	Yes No	
Land use planning and management	Yes No	
Recharge area protection	☐ Yes ■ No	
Sediment management	☐ Yes ■ No	
Watershed management	☐ Yes ■ No	
People and Water		
Economic incentives	☐ Yes ■ No	
Outreach and engagement		Project will increase the awareness of locals
	Yes No	and visitors to the region on management
		efforts that are occurring in the area.
Water and culture		Project will inform locals and visitors about
	Yes No	how the lands of the Upper Feather River are
	■ 163 □ 1NO	managed and ho those management actions
		are effecting downstream users.
Water-dependent recreation	Yes No	
Wastewater/NPDES	☐ Yes ■ No	
Other RMS addressed and explanation	n·	

VI. PROJECT COST AND FINANCING

Please provide any estimates of project cost, sources of funding, and operation and maintenance costs, as well as the source of the project cost in the table below.

	PROJECT BUDGET				
Pro	oject serves a need of a DAC?:	No			
	Funding Match Waiver request?: Yes No				
			Cost Share:	_	
			Non-State	Cost Share:	
		Requested Grant	Fund Source* (Funding	Other State Fund	
	Category	Amount	Match)	Source*	Total Cost
a.	Direct Project Administration	5,500	iviaceny	Jource	Total Cost
b.	Land Purchase/Easement				
c.	Planning/Design/Engineering	20,000			
	/ Environmental	,			
d.	Construction/Implementation	20,000			
e.	Environmental Compliance/	10,000			
f.	Mitigation/Enhancement Construction Administration				
		F 000			
g.	Other Costs	5,000			
h.	Construction/Implementation Contingency				
i.	Grand Total (Sum rows (a) through	60,500			
	(h) for each column)				
j.	Can the Project be phased? Yes	☐ No If yes , pr	rovide cost breakd	own by phases	
		Project Cost	O&M Cost	Description	n of Phase
	Phase 1	\$30,000		Site assessment	
				planning/design	
				environmental o	compliance,
	Dhasa 2	15 000		permitting	narkina
	Phase 2	15,000		Grading of site, infrastructure	parking
	Phase 3	10,000		Graphic design,	development
				of interpretive p	oanels, install
				panels, benches	and signs
	Phase 4				
k.	Explain how operation and maintenan			tners will enter in	
	financed for the 20-year planning peri	od for project	maintenance agreement that will finance repairs and upgrades needed during the 20 year		
	implementation (not grant funded).		and upgrades ne planning period	eaea auring the 2	zo year
I.	Has a Cost/Benefit analysis been comp	oleted?	☐ Yes No		
m.	Describe what impact there may be if	the project is	If the project is n	ot funded, the re	gion will not
	not funded (300 words or less)		realize a great opportunity to educate visitors		

		and local residents on the important land	
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		management activities that are taking place in	
		the region. Additionally, this is a unique	
		opportunity to bring together diverse partners	
		to create diverse, educational materials that	
		highlight the management of the region in pre-	
	European settlement times, since European		
	settlement times and into the future. Both		
the proposed project areas are		the proposed project areas are located in places	
that have powerful significance with the		that have powerful significance with the Maidu	
		people who hunted and foraged in the region	
		for thousands of years.	
*List all sources of funding.			
No	Note: See Project Development Manual, Exhibit B, for assistance in completing this table		
(ht	(http://featherriver.org/documents/).		

VIII. PROJECT STATUS AND SCHEDULE

Please provide a status of the project, level of completion as well as a description of the activities planned for each project stage. If unknown, enter **TBD**.

Project Stage	Check the Current Project Stage	Completed?	Description of Activities in Each Project Stage	Planned/ Actual Start Date (mm/yr)	Planned/ Actual Completion Date (mm/yr)
a. Assessment and Evaluation		☐ Yes ■ No ☐ N/A	Working with landowner, analyzing site, conceptual	5/2016	5/2017
b. Final Design		☐ Yes	development for site Working with	12/2016	12/2017
J		■ No □ N/A	landowner, CAL TRANS, Lassen County Department of Public Works, other partners		
c. Environmental Documentation (CEQA / NEPA)		☐ Yes ■ No ☐ N/A	Working with the Honey Lake Valley RCD to perform CEQA/NEPA	3/2017	9/2017
d. Permitting		☐ Yes ■ No ☐ N/A	Working with all parties to complete permitting	3/2017	12/2017
e. Construction Contracting		☐ Yes ■ No ☐ N/A	Working with landowners to develop prospectus and select a contractor	1/2018	4/2018

f. Construction		☐ Yes	Hire contractor to	5/2018	12/2018
Implementation		■ No	complete project		
		□ N/A			
Provide explanation if more than one project			The MMC has been working with the landowner to develop		
stage is checked as current status		the project. Initial desig	ns have been discu	ssed.	

IX. PROJECT TECHNICAL FEASIBILITY

Please provide any related documents (date, title, author, and page numbers) that describe and confirm the technical feasibility of the project. See www.featherriver.org/catalog/index.php for documents gathered on the UFR Region.

a.	List the adopted planning documents the proposed	Lassen and Plumas County General			
	project is consistent with or supported by (e.g. General	Plans; Lassen Volcanic Scenic Byway			
	Plans, UWMPs, GWMPs, Water Master Plan, Habitat	revision			
	Conservation Plans, TMDLs, Basin Plans, etc.).				
b.	List technical reports and studies supporting the	Lassen Volcanic Scenic Byway revision			
	feasibility of this project.				
c.	Concisely describe the scientific basis (e.g. how much	Evidence suggests that beautiful places			
	research has been conducted) of the proposed project in	inspire people. Educational signage			
	300 words or less.	helps visitors to better understand			
		complex concepts (forest management,			
		livestock management, hydroelectric			
		generation, etc). Local land managers			
		have stories to share with visitors			
		regarding their efforts to be good			
		stewards of their lands; these efforts			
		have impacts on downstream water			
		users.			
d.	Does the project implement green technology (e.g.				
	alternate forms of energy, recycled materials, LID				
	techniques, etc.).	☐ Yes ☐ No ■ N/A			
		If yes, please describe.			
e.	Are you an Urban Water Supplier ¹ ?	☐ Yes ■ No ☐ N/A			
f.	Are you are an Agricultural Water Supplier ² ?	☐ Yes ■ No ☐ N/A			
g.	Is the project related to groundwater?	■ Yes □ No □ N/A			
		If yes, please indicate which			
		groundwater basin.			
		Mountain Meadows Basin, Lake			
		Almanor Basin			
¹ U	rban Water Supplier is defined as a supplier, either publicly	or privately owned, providing water for			
mι	municipal purposes either directly or indirectly to more than 3,000 customers or supplying more than				
-	3,000 acre-feet of water annually.				
² Agricultural Water Supplier is defined as a water supplier, either publicly or privately owned, providing					
wa	water to 10,000 or more irrigated acres, excluding the acreage that receives recycled water.				

Climate Change – Project Assessment Checklist

This climate change project assessment tool allows project applicants and the planning team to assess project consistency with Proposition 84 plan standards and RWMG plan assessment standards. The tool is a written checklist that asks GHG emissions and adaptation/resiliency questions.

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Project applicant: Mountain Meadows Conservancy

GHG Emissions Assessment
Project Construction Emissions (If you check any of the boxes, please see the attached worksheet)
The project requires nonroad or off-road engines, equipment, or vehicles to complete.
The project requires materials to be transported to the project site.
The project requires workers to commute to the project site.
The project is expected to generate GHG emissions for other reasons.
The project does not have a construction phase and/or is not expected to generate GHG emissions during the construction phase.
Operating Emissions
(If you check any of the boxes, please see the attached worksheet)
☐ The project requires energy to operate.
The project will generate electricity.
The project will proactively manage forests to reduce wildfire risk.
The project will affect wetland acreage.
The project will include new trees.
Project operations are expected to generate or reduce GHG emissions for other reasons.

Upper Feather River Integrated Regional Water Management Plan Climate Change- Project Assessment Tool
Adaptation & Resiliency Assessment
Water Supply Describe how the project makes the watershed (more/less) resilient to one or more of the following high priority water supply vulnerability issues:
Not applicable Reduced snowmelt Unmet local water needs (drought) Increased invasive species
Water Demand Describe how the project makes the watershed (more/less) resilient to one or more of the following high priority water demand vulnerability issues:
Not applicable Increasing seasonal water use variability Unmet in-stream flow requirements Climate-sensitive crops Groundwater drought resiliency Water curtailment effectiveness
Water Quality Describe how the project makes the watershed (more/less) resilient to one or more of the following high priority water quality vulnerability issues:
Not applicable Increasing catastrophic wildfires Eutrophication (excessive nutrient pollution in a waterbody, often followed by algae blooms and other related water quality issues) Seasonal low flows and limited abilities for waterbodies to assimilate pollution Water treatment facility operations Unmet beneficial uses (municipal and domestic water supply, water contact recreation, cold freshwater habitat, spawning
nabitat, wildlife habitat, etc.)

Flooding Describe how the project makes the watershed (more/less) resilient to one or more of the following high priority flooding vulnerability issues:
 Not applicable ☐ Aging critical flood protection ☐ Wildfires
☐ Critical infrastructure in a floodplain ☐ Insufficient flood control facilities
Ecosystem and Habitat Describe how the project makes the watershed (more/less) resilient to one or more of the following high priority ecosystem and habitat vulnerability issues: Not applicable Climate-sensitive fauna or flora Recreation and economic activity Quantified environmental flow requirements Erosion and sedimentation Endangered or threatened species Fragmented habitat Hydropower Describe how the project makes the watershed (more/less) resilient to one or more of the following high priority hydropower vulnerability issues:
Not applicable ■ Not applicable Not applicable

Upper Feather River IRWMP Project Assessment - GHG Emissions Analysis

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GHG Emissions Analysis

Project Construction Emissions

	The project requires non-road		

	Maximum		
	Number Per	Total 8-Hour Days in	
Type of Equipment	Day	Operation	Total MTCO₂e
Skid Steer Loaders	1	2	0
Tractors/Loaders/Bac			
khoes	1	2	1
			0
			0
			0
			0
			0
			0
			0
			0
		Total Emissions	1

Х	The project	requires i	materials to	be trans	ported to	the pr	oject site.	If yes:

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	Average Trip	
Total Number of	Distance	
Round Trips	(Miles)	Total MTCO₂e
3	50	0

The project requires workers to commute to the project site. If yes:

		Average Round Trip	
Average Number	Total Number	Distance Traveled	
of Workers	of Workdays	(Miles)	Total MTCO₂e
2	4	50	0

The project	is expected to generate GHG emissions for other reasons. If yes, explain:

The project does not have a construction phase and/or is not expected to generate GHG emissions during the
construction phase.

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Project Ope	erating Emissions		
The project	requires energy to operate. If yes:		
	Annual Energy Needed	Unit	Total MTCO₂e
		kWh (Electricity)	0
		Therm (Natural Gas)	0
The project	will generate electricity. If yes:		1
	Annual kWh Generated	Total MTCO₂e	
Ĺ		0	
	*A negative value indicates GHG re	ductions	
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The project	will proactively manage forests to	T	yes:
	Acres Protected from Wildfire	Total MTCO₂e	
L		0	
	*A negative value indicates GHG re	ductions	
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The project	will affect wetland acreage. If yes:	•	1
	Acres of Protected Wetlands	Total MTCO₂e	
Ĺ	0	0	
	*A negative value indicates GHG re	ductions	
The project	will include new trees. If yes:		1
	Acres of Trees Planted	Total MTCO₂e	
Ĺ		0	
	*A negative value indicates GHG re	ductions	
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-	rations are expected to generate or	r reduce GHG emission	is for other reasons. If yes,
explain:			
GHG Emissi	ons Summary		
	ons Summary n and development will generate a	pproximatelv:	1 MTCO ₂