

Appendix 1-1

Resolutions of Plan Adoption

**A RESOLUTION OF THE UPPER FEATHER RIVER REGIONAL WATER MANAGEMENT GROUP APPROVING
THE "UPPER FEATHER RIVER INTEGRATED REGIONAL WATER MANAGEMENT PLAN UPDATE 2016"
AND AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN THE PLAN AND SUBMIT IT TO THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT
OF WATER RESOURCES**

WHEREAS, by Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU"), a broad array of governments, agencies, and organizations created the Upper Feather River Regional Water Management Group ("RWMG"); and

WHEREAS, the RWMG prepared and approved an Integrated Regional Water Management Plan in 2005;

WHEREAS, the RWMG was awarded a Proposition 84 Planning Grant in 2012 from the California Department of Water Resources to update the Upper Feather River IRWM Plan; and


WHEREAS, staff and representatives of the RWMG, working with a consultant, have prepared the "Upper Feather River Integrated Regional Water Management Plan Update 2016" and

WHEREAS, this version of the Plan Update 2016 is consistent with both the 2012 and 2016 Integrated Regional Water Management ("IRWM") Plan Guidelines released by DWR (Proposition 84 and Proposition 1, respectively), and it addresses the major water-related issues and needs of the Upper Feather River planning region; and

WHEREAS, the RWMG adopts Consistency Determinations (Attachment A) regarding parallel planning processes including the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board Basin Plan and the National Forest Plans for the Plumas, Lassen, and Tahoe National Forests.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT in accordance with the provisions of the MOU, the Members of the RWMG hereby approve the Upper Feather River IRWM Plan Update 2016 and direct the RWMG Chair to sign this Resolution of Plan Adoption and to submit the Final Plan to the Department of Water Resources.

Passed and adopted this 18th day of November, 2016, by consensus of a quorum of the Upper Feather River Regional Water Management Group.

SIGNED: 

Sherrie Thrall, Chair, Upper Feather Integrated Regional Water Management Program

ATTEST:  Randy Wilson, Grantee, Co-Manager of the Plumas County Flood Control and Water Conservation District

ATTACHMENT A: Consistency Determinations for the Upper Feather River IRWM Plan

**Consistency Determinations
for the
Upper Feather River Integrated Regional Water Management Plan**

November 18, 2016

At its regular meeting on November 18, 2016, and in adopting the Upper Feather River Integrated Regional Water Management Plan Update 2016, the Upper Feather River Regional Water Management Group hereby makes the following consistency determinations relevant to the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board Basin Plan and the National Forest Plans for the Plumas, Lassen, and Tahoe National Forests.


1. To update the 2005 Upper Feather River Integrated Regional Water Management (UFR IRWM) Plan to current standards, a Regional Water Management Group (RWMG) was formed to carry out the UFR IRWM Program and further develop, implement, and periodically update the UFR IRWM Plan.
2. The update of the UFR IRWM Plan has been prepared to the California Department of Water Resources' (DWR) 2016 Proposition 1 standards, has been deemed compliant by DWR, and was adopted by the Upper Feather River RWMG on November 18, 2016.
3. The RWMG is required to support the objectives of the California Department of Water Resources IRWM Program that seeks to ensure sustainable water uses, reliable water supplies, better water quality, environmental stewardship, efficient development, protection of agriculture, and strong economies.
4. The RWMG is required to promote communication and collaboration in the Upper Feather River Region to identify and implement resource management strategies and projects with broad-based stakeholder support.
5. The RWMG is required to facilitate investment in local projects that can maximize regional benefits through economies of scale and through projects with compound resource benefits.
6. The RWMG is required to establish values for ecosystem services that are provided through water and watershed management actions.
7. The RWMG is required to develop investment mechanisms to increase financial support from extra-regional beneficiaries of improvements in water supply, water quality, flood control, hydroelectric generation, recreational opportunities, forest health, habitat and species preservation, and carbon sequestration, etc.
8. The RWMG is required to coordinate advocacy and communication efforts among the regional stakeholders.

9. The RWMG is required to coordinate planning and actions with neighboring or otherwise connected IRWM Regions.
10. The RWMG is also seeking to ensure that the objectives, data and project outcomes for the UFR Watershed be made consistent with or incorporated into the State Water Plan, as revised every five years; the Regional Water Quality Control Plan (Basin Plan) for the Sacramento and San Joaquin River Basins, which is in Phase I of its revision process focused in the San Joaquin region; the Hydroelectric licenses and adaptive management processes of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC), which are in various stages of planning and adaptive implementation; the California Air Resources Board Scoping Plan for AB 32, where initial comments have been submitted by Plumas County based on the work and recommendations of the Uplands and Forests workgroup and the DAC identification and needs assessment process; and the updates of the Lassen National Forest Plan, the Plumas National Forest Plan, and the Tahoe National Forest Plan, where the Coordinating Council presents the ongoing opportunity for "pre-NEPA" planning coordination between the three National Forests and RWMG entities and stakeholders in the UFR Region.
11. A consistency determination for forest and resource plans that are scheduled for updates after the adoption of the UFR IRWM Plan will be considered by the RWMG. As appropriate, the RWMG will ensure that the UFR IRWM Plan is presented during public outreach periods for these planning processes as they are initiated within the UFR region. The RWMG will coordinate with planning entities to incorporate relevant objectives, issues, information, and recommendations from the UFR IRWM Plan into planning processes as defined by the scope, timelines, and protocols for each planning process.

It was originally anticipated that these state and federal planning processes would be concurrent with the UFR IRWM Plan update process, and that opportunities for plan integration and coordination would have been available during the past 18 months. However, the updates of these plans are either not yet underway, or are they are just beginning to be updated in phases that have not yet included the UFR region. Or they are currently at a planning scale of resolution that does not address the focus and detail provided by the UFR IRWM Plan.



Sherrie Thrall, Chair



Date

Upper Feather River Integrated Regional Water Management Group