



# Upper Feather River Watershed Integrated Regional Water Management Plan Agricultural Land Stewardship Workgroup

## November 16, 2015 Meeting Summary

1. **Introductions** – 6 attendees, excluding Coordinator
2. **ALS Resource Management Strategy Recommendations** - The group thoroughly reviewed Resource Management Strategy (RMS) recommendations drafted by the coordination team, suggested adjustments and helped link specific ALS projects to specific RMS Recommendations.
  - **Action:** Coordinator to update Word version of RMS recommendations and circulate for additional comments by workgroup members prior to presentation to Management Group on December 4.
  - **Future Workgroup task** – Review RMS Recommendations of all workgroups.
3. **Project Greenhouse Gas Forms** – The group went over the need for each project proponent to fill out both forms (Checklist & Analysis). Discussion around the Analysis form and how to address aspects of projects with the potential to generate GHG benefits that are not currently captured (beyond planting trees – e.g. healthier soils with better carbon sequestration). Randy Wilson suggested the possibility of establishing a process for an optional narrative section for this purpose.
  - **Actions:** Coordinator to check with Uma Hinman about documenting GHG-affecting aspects of projects not captured in the existing forms and to get forms and instructions out to all ALS project proponents who have not yet received them.
4. **Project Development** – The coordinator went over the plans to review project submissions and make refinement suggestions to project proponents for completeness, clarifications, etc. (to make the proposals stronger).

Further discussion focused on plans to build a matrix of projects around keywords that may align with future grant opportunities – part of the project integration strategy. Project proponents present made suggestions for how their projects fit into the draft matrix.

- **Future Project Sponsor Action:** Work with Coordinator to strengthen Project Proposals and complete GHG worksheets.

5. **Up Next** – the Chapter Release/Review schedule was shared (as a reminder). Discussion around need for organizational Capacity Building in the region – grant writing in order for the UFR to have the capacity to pursue grants that fit our plan and projects – as well as other types of capacity-building (leadership, board training, etc.). Question remains of how to include this in the IRWMP.

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