

MEETING NOTES

Project Name: LSJ/DS RFMP **Date:** 7/15/14 2:00-4:00pm
Meeting Subject: Benefit Area 8 Small Group Mtg. (RD 2058, 2085, 2095) **Project No.:** _____
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Notes by: Loren Bottorff

Attendees: Chad Tienken Jim Giottonini Gemma Biscocho Loren Bottorff
John Maguire Steve Schoenberg John Kleinfelter _____

Purpose:

The purpose the meeting is to arrive at a list of the most important projects for use in the draft Financial Plan and draft RFMP. The second round of small group meetings build on the first round meetings by focusing on potential projects, timelines, and funding assumptions.

Presentation:

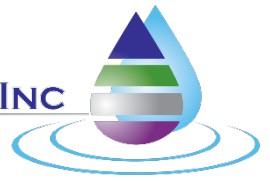
Introductions followed by a brief presentation on the overview of the agenda by Loren Bottorff (PBI).

Review Project Descriptions and Level of Protection:

Attendees were provided a “snapshot” of material currently in the draft RFMP for RD 2058, RD 2085, and RD 2095 and asked to provide comments by for use in refinements to the Draft RFMP. Chad was the only representative from all three RDs. Explained that potential projects are being placed into three tiers to show when each project is likely to be implemented. Tier 1 would be for projects with likely implementation in the next 5 years. Tier 2 would be projects with implementation in the 6 to 12 year period. Tier 3 projects would be implemented beyond 12 years. RFMP is a 25 year plan.

RD 2085 Discussion:

- Passed a 218 vote for assessments that provide ample funds for maintenance
- One site needing erosion protection, about 12 feet vertical and growing. Chad will check the length. Doubled the cost from the draft RFMP to \$300 K and highest implementation priority (Tier 1).
- Seepage repairs needed from FSRP – not much additional information. Cost in draft RFMP is OK, but make it a Tier 2 project.
- Draft RFMP has a project to restore the design capacity of the San Joaquin River. Sedimentation.
 - No one knew the origin of this, but will check with other RDs in upcoming small group meetings. Chad will check with RD.
 - Even if a project, it is more than a single RD would attempt to accomplish – make a regional project.
 - Unless other RDs provide more information, consider removing as a physical project and making it a study to determine the extent of needed dredging.



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RD 2095 Discussion:

- All potential projects are FSRP identified.
- Erosion protection – cost in draft RFMP is OK. Make a Tier 2 project.
- Seepage and slope stability repairs. Cost OK. Make a Tier 2 project, but tie to a potential expansion of Paradise Cut so a project does not improve the levee in place and then a new levee needs to be built for Paradise Cut – sunk cost.

RD 2058 Discussion:

- Doing some HMP geometry work in small sections using free material from a contractor.
- Erosion protection. This is primarily along Sugar Cut to the west [large levee]. Cost OK. Tier 1 project.
- Seepage repairs. As with RD 2095, tie these to the potential expansion of Paradise Cut so that improvements aren't later discarded when a new setback levee is built. Cost OK, Tier 2.
- Geometry improvements. These are for finishing the HMP work. Lower cost to 2.5 million, Tier 1.
- All-weather road. Cost OK, Tier 1.
- Slope Stability. Cost OK, Tier 2, but tie to the potential expansion of Paradise Cut like with seepage improvements above.
- Restore capacity of Tom Paine Slough. Determined that this is a water supply project and not for flood management. Annual dredging is ongoing over 6 to 7 years. Remove from the project list.
- Habitat Mapping. OK as is in the draft RFMP. Likely due to the riparian brush rabbit.

General Discussion:

- Discussed the possibility of a Paradise Cut expansion. Jim G. commented that the Paradise Cut Symposium should show a footprint.
- Asked for feedback on the land use category acreages used for the economic analysis. Don't need exact number, but just a reality check that the acreages are generally reasonable or not. Chad will check.
- Jim G. wanted to raise the issue that not all may be paying assessments. Loren will talk with economist, Seth.
- Assessment for Benefit Area 8 may include irrigation. Loren will talk with Seth.
- Jim G. participation in maintenance of an expansion of Paradise Cut could be larger than just the adjoining districts.
- Asked about what RDs thought about potential consolidation of RDs. Don't see a reason. Set up originally as separate benefit areas and it works.

Revisit Meeting Content:

- A review and discussion of the 7/15/2014 meeting was held with Rosie Silva, Bob Pombo, and Greg Pombo on 7/23/2014 in Tracy.
- Rosie provided specific erosion information for RD 2095
- Discussed the concept of Paradise Cut with no specific alignment or configuration. They expressed concern about impacts on their properties. Discussed that if levee was setback, it would be a better levee than the existing because of current design standards.
- Bob expressed concern about the railroad bridge being a bottleneck to flow.

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