

# Connection with Data Initiatives Outside the Monitoring Council and its Workgroups

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# The Council's Initial Strategy

- Improved coordination of monitoring efforts via our theme-specific workgroups.
- Increased access to monitoring data via our theme-specific portals.

### Lessons Learned

- December 2014: Triennial Audit self-evaluation
- August 2015: Formed subcommittee to propose ideas for Council consideration

Subcommittee Recommendation: be more opportunistic

### Our Future Direction

- Guidance from CalEPA Secretary and Undersecretary
  - Support high priority initiatives
  - Demonstrate Council usefulness

# Filling a much needed niche

- The Council is the only statewide organization that seeks to coordinate the sharing and management of water data among agencies
- Provides a venue to discuss data challenges and to come up with coordinated solutions
- Serving as a resource for data management and data sharing initiatives

# Invited Speakers

- EcoRestore Interagency Adaptive Management Implementation Team (Lauren Hastings)
- IEP Data Utilization Workgroup (Vanessa Tobias)
- Bay Delta Live (Val Conner)

## Request for Speakers

- Goals and objectives
- II. Council's role supporting effort, thus far
- III. Data management related needs moving forward?
- IV. Council's potential role supporting these needs

### For Council Consideration

- Do you support staff involvement in data access and visualization efforts outside of the Council's workgroups?
- II. To what extent should the Data Management Workgroup and Steering Committee focus on external efforts?
- III. How should the Council coordinate with data sharing initiatives, which do not fall within the Council's workgroups?