

Imperial IRWMP Project Evaluation and Ranking Criteria		
Criteria	Performance Measure	Importance
IRWMP Goals and Objectives		
Water Supply Goal	Diversify the regional water supply portfolio to ensure a long-term, verifiable, reliable and sustainable supply to meet current and future demands	
1. Impacts to agricultural users of water	<i>Does the project have an effect to water supplies historically available to agriculture?</i>	
2.. Improve Water Supply	<i>Does the project provides a firm, verifiable, and sustainable supply that contributes to the regional goal of 50 to 100 thousand acre-feet per year for municipal, commercial, or industrial demands by 2025?</i>	
4. A. Protect Surface Water Rights and maintain Colorado River yields.	<i>Would the project optimize and sustain use of Colorado River entitlements through development of groundwater storage of underruns?</i>	
4. B. Conserves Colorado River Supplies	<i>Would the project implement water conservation measures that demonstrate reasonable beneficial use and maintain consistency with established industry standards, state, and federal requirements?</i>	
5. A. Integrate Resource Management Strategies	<i>Will the project apply or integrate CDWR Resources Management Strategies?</i>	
5. B. Plan Consistency	<i>Is the project consistent with City and County General Plan, State or Federal land use plan, UWMP or existing capital facility plan?</i>	
6. Groundwater Rights	<i>Will the project protect correlative groundwater rights or optimize the use of groundwater?</i>	
Water Quality Goal	Protect water quality for beneficial use consistent with regional community interests and the RWQCB Basin Plan through cooperation with stakeholders, local	
1. Delivered Water	<i>Would the project improve water quality of incoming Colorado River Water?</i>	
2. Support DACs- Wastewater	<i>Would the project support DAC in meeting wastewater disposal and permit requirements; create economies of scale; and provide recycled water and reuse opportunities to extend Colorado River supplies?</i>	
3. Support DACs- Drinking Water	<i>Would the project support DACs in meeting drinking water standards, protecting public health, or creating economies of scale?</i>	
4. Effect on Existing Waterways	<i>Could the project impact the water quality of drains or rivers?</i>	
5. Comply with Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs)	<i>Would the project help the region comply with Regional Water Quality Control Board Requirements implement to stormwater BMPs?</i>	
6. Preserve or Improve Groundwater Quality	<i>Would the project preserve or improve quality of groundwater resources?</i>	
Environmental Protection and Enhancement Goal	Protect and enhance aquatic ecosystems and wildlife habitat consistent with municipal, commercial, industrial, and agricultural land uses.	
1. Drain and Existing Water Ways	<i>Would the project help to mitigate impacts to drains, the New or Alamo rivers, or other waterways?</i>	
2. Integrated Design Elements	<i>Does the project integrate environmental, open space, parks or other recreational elements into the design to achieve multiple benefits?</i>	
Flood Protection and Stormwater Management Goal	Protect life and property from flooding and develop regional and local flood protection and stormwater management strategies.	

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1. Reduce impacts from current or future localized stormwater events.	<i>Would the project help to reduce economic damages; and protect life and property from localized stormwater events and runoff from urban areas?</i>	
Strategic Considerations for IRWM Plan Implementation		
1. Support for In- lieu uses or substitution for Colorado River Water.	<i>Would the project provide a source of supply that could be used as a substitute for a current use of Colorado River supplies, and allow for reapportionment within the Imperial Region?</i>	
2. Public Acceptance/Public Support	<i>Will the project be able to minimize public opposition and gain public support from the rate paying population?</i>	
4 Cost Effectiveness	<i>Is the cost per acre foot of yield competitive with the other projects in the Region?</i>	
5. Equitable cost sharing	<i>Do the entities that receive the benefits pay for the costs of producing those benefits</i>	
6. Promote Economic Development	<i>Does the project provide measurable economic benefits to Imperial Region in terms of net economic activity, job creation, and revenue generation to IID, Imperial County and Cities?</i>	
Readiness to Proceed Category		
1. Timeliness	<i>Does the project have the ability for Stakeholders to act quickly to implement a project or program with out the need for new agreements or additional funding?</i>	
2. Technical Feasibility of Project	<i>Does the project have technical documentation to evaluate the technical feasibility of the project?</i>	
3. Environmental Compliance	<i>Does the project have environmental documentation and clearance?</i>	
5. Funding	<i>Are the project funding and funding sources well defined?</i>	
CDWR Statewide IRWMP Criteria		
1. Provides multiple benefits	<i>Does the project provide a range of supply, quality, flood, ecosystem, conservation, or recreation benefits?</i>	
2. Involves multiple participants and stakeholders	<i>Does the project include multiple stakeholders and participants in the project?</i>	
3. Provides regional benefits	<i>Does the project provide tangible regional benefits or only to a single or limited stakeholder group?</i>	
4. State Program Preferences	<i>Does the project support meeting the state preferences?</i>	
5. Statewide Priorities	<i>Does the project support meeting the statewide priorities?</i>	
6. Climate Change	<i>Would the project contribute or support implementation of resource management strategies that would help the region adapt to climate change?</i>	
7. Greenhouse Gas Emissions	<i>Would the project have impacts or benefits in terms of greenhouse gas emissions as compared to other projects?</i>	
8. Environmental Justice	<i>Would the project have impacts or benefits in terms of environmental justice?</i>	