CALIFORNIA AGRICULTURAL PARTNERSHIP FORUM

A TEAM CONCEPT

CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICTS
2017 CONFERENCE

DYNAMIC PARTNERSHIPS, RELEVANT RESULTS SACRAMENTO, CA, NOVEMBER 15TH-18TH, 2017

WHO IS CAPF AND WHO ARE OUR PARTNERS

STATE AND REGIONAL WATER BOARDS





- CA RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICTS
- NATIONAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICES (NRCS)
- USEPA REGION 9





- PARTNERS -
 - >COALITIONS, COMMODITY GROUPS, CDFA, DPR, UCCE, OTHERS

WHAT IS PURPOSE OF CAPF? WHAT ARE WE DOING?

EXPLORING WAYS TO IMPROVE WATER QUALITY ON THE LANDSCAPE

IDENTIFYING:

- ROLES OF EACH PARTNER
- COMMON GOALS
- POSSIBLE PATHS FORWARD SET A STRATEGY / APPROACH

TODAY - SOLICIT INPUT FROM OUR PARTNERS

Our Roles	Water Board	NRCS	CA RCDs	EPA
Identify problem areas	х			
 ID causes and hotspot areas 	x			
 Prioritize areas needing improvement 	x	x	X	
Addressing resource needs / impairments				
Watershed Planning	x	x	X	Х
 Planning needed activities (grower level) 		X	X	
Support for implementation				
 Provide technical expertise and support 		X	X	х
 Funding for implementation efforts 	x	x		х
Providing certainty of effective measures				
Stewardship —				
Building connections with partners	X	x	X	х
Local knowledge			x	

Current system	Challenges	
Prioritization of areas	Different groups have different priorities	
Planning	Different partners have different requirements	
Implementation	Coordination of efforts Adequate funding	
Monitoring	Assessing progress without jeopardizing privacy	
Feedback	Did efforts work? Timeframe for meaningful feedback	
Adaptive approach	Assembling information to assess progress Coordinating resources to act on needs	

GOAL - IMPROVING THE PROCESS

WORK WITH PARTNERS - GROWERS AND CAPF PARTNERS -

- IMPROVE COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION IN IDENTIFICATION OF WQ ISSUES AND PRIORITIES
- COLLABORATE ON PLANNING AND IMPLEMENTATION NEEDED TO ADDRESS IMPAIRMENTS
- OUTREACH TO NEW PARTNERS
- SHARE INFORMATION TO DEMONSTRATE SUCCESS
- TARGET ALL OUR EFFORTS TO ADDRESS THE HIGHEST NEEDS

NEEDED - YOUR INPUT FOR RECOMMENDATIONS FOR HOW TO SATISFY THESE COMPONENTS MOVING FORWARD

IDEAS?

POSSIBLE PATHS FORWARD. SETTING A STRATEGY AND THINGS WE'RE THINKING ABOUT

- BUILDING REPRESENTATION FOR EACH PARTNER PROGRAM IN ALL CA REGIONS, TO FACILITATE UNDERSTANDING OF NEEDS, INTERESTS, OPPORTUNITIES FOR IMPLEMENTATION
- DEMONSTRATION PROJECTS TO SHOW CAPF MODEL
- LOOKING AT POSSIBLE RECOGNITION FOR ACTIONS TAKEN
 - PUBLIC ACKNOWLEDGEMENT E.G., FISH FRIENDLY FARMING PLACARD
 - REGULATORY ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OR INCENTIVES E.G., DIFFERENT AG ORDER TIER IF IMPLEMENTING A MINIMUM THRESHOLD OF SPECIFIC CONSERVATION PRACTICES

THANK YOU!