

Potential Benefits of Stakeholder Participation in the American River Basin (ARB) Integrated Regional Water Management Plan (IRWMP)

The Regional Water Authority (RWA) believes there are many potential benefits to being a stakeholder in the IRWM planning effort.

Potential Cost Savings

- Improved chances for federal and state funding due to collaboration on projects and programs with multiple benefits.
- Opportunities to pursue alternative forms of funding such as partnering with organizations with similar interests or projects.
- Cost and resource-sharing opportunities for relatively expensive activities such as media outreach campaigns and environmental monitoring.

Access to Expertise and Resources

- Access to technical expertise, tools and resources for small, non-profit organizations through collaborations with larger, more established agencies and groups.
- Information-sharing about other projects that have benefited from the multi-objective and/or multi-stakeholder collaborative approach and may serve as models for future projects in the region.

Streamlined Programs

- Opportunities to develop and deliver consistent messages and services to the community.
- Opportunities to identify and reduce redundancy and overlap of programs.

Greater Visibility

- More opportunities to explore demonstration and pilot projects, with results leveraged to the greater Sacramento region.
- Greater visibility for organizations, services and projects.