



Establishing Tribal Representation with the North Coast Resource Partnership

(formerly North Coast Integrated Regional Water Management Plan)

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A Retrospective: NCIRWM Process

- Initiated in 2004
- Regional boundary
- Policy Review Panel and Technical Peer Review Committee Convened
- Memorandum of Mutual Understandings (MoMU)
- Regional Contract Administration
- Stakeholder Engagement
- Plan Development and Adoption



Governance & Technical Review

Policy Review Panel

Decision-making by local elected officials & Tribal members

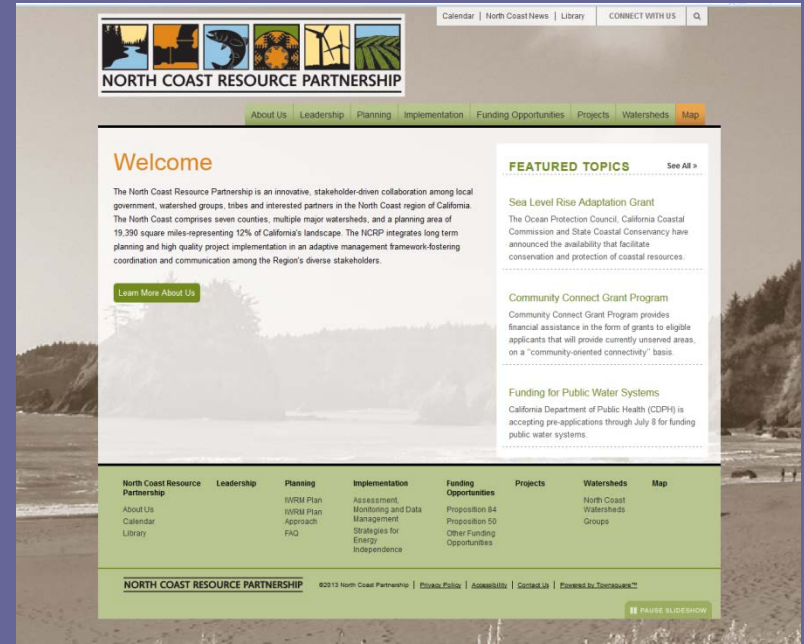
Technical Peer Review Committee

- Advise on technical issues, recommend projects for funding, review planning documents
- All meetings are open and welcoming to the public and invite stakeholder input
- Emphasis on transparent decision-making, regional equity, collaboration, and fairness



Stakeholder Involvement

- Emphasis on stakeholder outreach and participation by all: agencies, municipalities, NGOs, RCDs, Tribal governments and groups, private businesses, landowner organizations
- NCRP website - a tool for information exchange
- Workshops and meetings throughout region
- Technical support for project proponents



Funding Awards

Planning Grants

- Proposition 50 - \$500,000 (completed)
- Proposition 84 - \$1 M awarded (2 yr contract)
- Directed DWR funding - \$500,000 : capacity building support & technical assistance to small water and wastewater service providers in disadvantaged communities (2 yr contract)
- Strategic Growth Council, Sustainable Communities - \$1 M (3 yr contract)

Project Implementation Grants

- Proposition 50 - >\$30 M (Rounds 1, 2, & Supplemental)
- Proposition 84, Round 1 - \$8.2 M
- Proposition 84, Round 2 - \$5.3 M (recommended for funding)
- California Energy Commission - <\$1 M (municipal energy efficiency projects)

NCRP Goals & Objectives (draft)

➤ INTRAREGIONAL COOPERATION & ADAPTIVE MANAGEMENT

- Respect local autonomy and local knowledge
- Provide an ongoing framework for project implementation

➤ ECONOMIC VITALITY

- Ensure that project implementation enhances the economic vitality of disadvantaged communities.
- Conserve and improve the economic benefits of working landscapes and natural areas
- Assess economic relationships among failing or functional built infrastructure and healthy or compromised natural infrastructure

➤ ECOSYSTEM CONSERVATION AND ENHANCEMENT

- Conserve, enhance and restore watersheds and ecosystems
- Enhance salmonid populations

NCRP Goals & Objectives (draft)

➤ BENEFICIAL USES OF WATER

- Ensure water supply reliability and quality for cultural, municipal, domestic, agricultural and recreational uses while minimizing impacts
- Improve drinking water quality & water related infrastructure with a focus on economically disadvantaged communities
- Protect groundwater resources from over-drafting & contamination

➤ CLIMATE ADAPTATION & ENERGY INDEPENDENCE

- Assess climate change effects, impacts, vulnerabilities, and strategies for local and regional sectors
- Promote local energy independence, water/ energy use efficiency, GHG emission reduction, and jobs creation

➤ PUBLIC SAFETY

- Improve flood protection and reduce flood risk

Proposal for Tribal Representation

January 2010

January 2010:

- Initiated Contract for Environmental Justice Coalition for Water. Goals: To secure Tribal representation within, and Tribal funding through, the NCIRWMP
- Compiled list of all North Coast Tribes. Used lists from:
 - Bureau of Indian Affairs
 - California Native American Heritage Commission
 - U.S. EPA
- Contracted all Tribes in region, focusing on the following departments: Tribal EPA, Natural Resources, Fisheries, & Utility Departments
- Pitched campaign goals
- Built database with contact info for all interested Tribal employees

NCIRWMP & Tribal Governments

- At a June 24, 2010 meeting, the PRP considered a proposal brought forth by a coalition of Tribal governments & voted to include 6 Tribal representative seats:
 - 3 Policy Review Panel
 - 3 Technical Peer Review Committee
- This inclusion made the North Coast the region in California with the most formal Tribal involvement in governance & technical review.
- Changes to the governance structure were approved by all North Coast counties through a revised Memorandum of Mutual Understanding (MoMU).

NCRP MoMU Tribal Representation Process

- In response to a proposal endorsed by 20 North Coast Tribes, the PRP voted to establish 3 Tribal representative seats on both the PRP and TPRC committees
- Tribes developed a Tribal Representative Process to select representatives and approve the NCIRWM Plan
- Tribal Representative Process included as an amendment to MoMU and was approved and adopted by 7 NCRP county Board of Supervisors
- Process can be modified with unanimous vote of 3 Tribal PRP members
- Each PRP & TPRC Tribal representative will be selected from Northern, Central and Southern districts in the region
- Each representative may have one alternate

NCIRWMP TRIBAL SEAT DISTRICTS

North		
Tribe	County(ies)	Watershed(s)
Quartz Valley Rancheria	Siskiyou County	Klamath
Karuk Tribe	Siskiyou and Humboldt Counties	Klamath
Smith River Rancheria	Del Norte County	North Coast
Elk Valley Rancheria	Del Norte County	North Coast
Resighini Rancheria	Del Norte County	North Coast
Yurok Tribe	Del Norte and Humboldt Counties	Klamath
Shasta Nation	Siskiyou County	Shasta

Central		
Tribe	County(ies)	Watershed(s)
Hoopla Valley Tribe	Humboldt County	Trinity
Big Lagoon Rancheria	Humboldt County	Humboldt
Trinidad Rancheria	Humboldt County	Humboldt
Blue Lake Rancheria	Humboldt County	Humboldt
Table Bluff Rancheria (Wiyot)	Humboldt County	Eel
Bear River Tribe of Rohnerville Rancheria	Humboldt County	Eel
Nor Rel Muk	Trinity County	Trinity
Round Valley Reservation	Mendocino County- North	Eel
Laytonville Rancheria	Mendocino County-North	Eel
Sherwood Valley Rancheria	Mendocino County-North	Eel, North Coast, & Russian
Noyo River Indian Community	Mendocino-North	North Coast

South		
Tribe	County(ies)	Watershed(s)
Potter Valley Tribe	Mendocino County- South	Russian
Coyote Valley Rancheria	Mendocino County- South	Russian
Redwood Valley Rancheria	Mendocino County- South	Russian
Pinoleville Pomo Nation	Mendocino County- South	Russian
Guidiville Rancheria	Mendocino County- South	Russian
Hopland Rancheria	Mendocino County- South	Russian
Manchester/Point Arena Rancheria	Mendocino County- South	North Coast
Cloverdale Rancheria	Sonoma County	Russian
Dry Creek Rancheria	Sonoma County	Russian
Lytton Rancheria	Sonoma County	Russian
Graton Rancheria	Sonoma County	Russian
Stewarts Point Rancheria (Kashia)	Sonoma County	North Coast
Mishewal Wappo Tribe of Alexander Valley	Sonoma County	Russian



Tribal Representation Process

- Prior to approval of the 6 seats, the Tribal coalition worked tirelessly to develop representation for the 30 tribes in the North Coast.
- This work involved coordination of:
 - Outreach and education
 - The creation of 3 districts based on counties and watersheds
 - Developing a nomination process & Tribal Council Support
 - MoMU signatory – participating Tribes are required to sign

NCRP Tribal Representation

➤ Policy Review Panel members:

- Carol Cook, Sherwood Valley Rancheria (Central Tribal Rep)
- Alternate: Javier Silva, Sherwood Valley Rancheria (Central Tribal Rep)
- Leaf Hillman, Karuk Tribe (Northern Tribal Rep)
- Vacant (Southern Tribal Rep)

➤ Technical Peer Review members:

- Javier Silva, Sherwood Valley Rancheria (Central Tribal Rep)
- Toz Soto, Karuk Tribe (Northern Tribal Rep)
 - Alternate: Sarah Beesley, Yurok Tribe (Northern Tribal Rep)
- Vacant (Southern Tribal Rep)



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NCIRWMP Planning Grant

- Three objectives were developed to engage North Coast Tribes in the NCIRWMP planning and implementation process, which involved the development of a Joint Tribal Planning Proposal:
 1. Update the IRWM Plan to reflect Tribal lands, water-related concerns, and Tribal expertise.
 2. Produce specific project proposals to address water related needs on Tribal lands.
 3. Support Tribal representation on the PRP & TPRC and facilitate general engagement of Tribes in the NCIRWMP stakeholder process.

NCIRWMP Implementation Grant

- Tribes were encouraged to develop and submit implementation proposals for Round 1 of Prop 84 funding, which totaled \$8 million dollars.
- The following Tribal proposals were submitted and approved to receive funding:
 - Karuk Tribe
 - Hopland Band of Pomo Indians
 - Pinoleville Pomo Nation
- Approximately \$2 million dollars was allocated to the above Tribal projects.

NCRP Tribal Projects

Organization Name, Project Name	Award	Benefit Type
Hopland Band of Pomo Indians, Nissa-kah Creek Fish Passage at Hwy 175	\$803,000	salmonid habitat
Karuk Tribe, Camp Creek Habitat Protection - Road Decommissioning Implementation Project	\$300,000	water quality; salmonid habitat
Karuk Tribe, Lower Mid-Klamath Habitat Protection — Road Decommissioning Implementation (recommended for funding)	\$300,000	water quality; salmonid habitat
Pinoleville Pomo Nation, Ackerman Creek Habitat Restoration	\$46,950	water quality; salmonid habitat
Yurok Tribe, Restoration of Lower Klamath River Habitats — Yurok Tribal Fisheries Program (recommended for funding)	\$421,354	water quality; salmonid habitat
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September 1 & 2: First North Coast Tribal Meeting

- Attended by 24 representatives from 18 Tribes
- Tribal NCIRWMP representatives selected using new nomination and voting process

September 23, 2010

- The North Coast IRWMP submitted their planning grant application to DWR that includes request for “joint” Tribal planning funds

Tribal Representation Next Steps

- Continue Outreach to increase Tribal involvement in the North Coast Resource Partnership and technical assistance for Tribal projects
- Enhancing collaboration within the NCRP by addressing Tribal issues to other agencies/organizations involved
- Continue Tribal collaboration by coordinating regional meetings

Why Tribal Involvement?

- Ensures that Tribes in the North Coast will be a part of the NCIRWMP process.
- Ensures that Tribes will have access to State water funding allocations
- Potential collaboration on future Tribal and non-Tribal projects



Participation in the NCRP provides:

- A legacy of success - obtaining, implementing & managing over \$43 M for projects throughout the North Coast
- A response to State/Federal agency requests for regional, collaborative proposals
- A commitment to transparency and inclusion
- Technical assistance support to small economically disadvantaged communities
- Opportunities to leverage funding
- Regional contracting efficiencies
- Opportunities to share data and pool resources
- A framework for addressing uncertainties posed by climate change and energy independence

NCIRWMP Next Steps

- NCIRWMP, Phase III Plan Development
- Technical Assistance and Project Solicitation
- Prop 84, Round 3 Call for Projects (\$19.7 M) – Spring 2014
- Interviews/Data Gathering
- Regional Stakeholder Workshops/Trainings
- Future Bond Measures



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