**12/16/20**

**VSP Workgroup Meeting – Minutes**

**1 pm to 2:30 pm**

**Present**

SJICD Staff: Matt Claussen, Bruce Gregory, Cathi Winning

Work Group: Candace Jagel, Brook Brouwer, Vicki Heater

Partner Organization: Faith Van De Putte,

**Agenda**:

**Review of changes to 5-year report**

*Restoration Goals:*

* They were not met. Based on conversation with Conservation Commission, restoration goals are not required, but because they are included in workplan they need to be addressed.
* Options:
  + Remove
  + Lump with enhancement goals
* Proposed addition to enhancement goals to be included in revised 5-year report

*Discussion of benchmark:*

standard by which to measure change. Existing wording of many benchmarks is “identify actions” or “actions”. Few specific a specific number of actions to measure against.

Proposed change from “identify actions” to “actions” to be included in revised 5-year report

Address specific numbers for benchmarks at future meeting.

*Monitoring of implemented BMPs:*

Include follow up monitoring of implemented BMPs to determine percentage still in use based on specific reporting timeframe. Change to be included in revised 5-year report.

*Participation and outreach:*

Multiple estimates of number of farm operations in SJC ranging from 150 to 317. Workplan indicates 250. Scope of work with SJC indicates 150. Current goal is related to percentage of total number of farm operations.

What is a realistic number of plans?

SJICD estimates 12 per year is possible

Past couple of years average has been 8 per year

Recommend reduction in number of ISPs and shift focus to monitoring work and targeted outreach in areas of concern.

*Agricultural acreage*

SJICD developing layer with ISP farms

Using existing layer from 2018, based on workgroup as current total agricultural area.

ARC has written maps that can be updated.

Future opportunity to work with ARC, WSU and others to update maps.

*CARA*

Goal related to quantifying amount of water for ag use?

Monitoring plan

Vicki is working on developing a plan with goal of presenting to work group in January, clean water advisory committee

*Adaptive management plan:*

In addition to specific database report Cathi is preparing narrative version of VSP adaptive management plan.

**Approval of 5-Year Plan**

Report is due on Monday 12/21/20

Working group members present approve 5-year plan and adaptive management plan with changes as discussed.