# Salinas Long-Term Management Plan (LTMP) DRAFT Purpose and Goals

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**Purpose:** The purpose of the Salinas River LTMP is to describe a multi-benefit management program that addresses needs related to Monterey County Water Resources Agency (Agency) facilities and operations, as well as related issues such as flood risk reduction, water supply, water quality, natural resource conservation, threatened and endangered species management, and federal and state Endangered Species Act compliance.

#### Goals:

Goals 1-5 are based on the Salinas River Management Program grant issued by the California State Coastal Conservancy. Goals are numbered to facilitate discussion, not to suggest any prioritization.

- 1. Identify long-term solutions for management of the Salinas River that include flood reduction, water resource management, and habitat management for threatened and endangered species.
- 2. Investigate the Salinas River Lagoon for the potential of reducing flooding on all lands in the vicinity.
- 3. Identify potential improvements to steelhead migration issues in the Salinas River utilizing existing management efforts and anticipated future projects.
- 4. Integrate with the Agency's multi-benefit Salinas River Stream Maintenance Program, including documenting effectiveness.
- 5. Develop the framework for implementing the LTMP that meets a variety of multi-benefit management goals, including implementation of the forthcoming Groundwater Sustainability Plan for the Salinas River Basin.
- 6. Build upon and incorporate public/private partnerships, compatible with existing land uses and water rights.
- 7. Establish the historical and existing conditions in the lower Salinas River watershed regarding the physical, biological, and chemical changes in the system over time, and to the extent possible, the sources driving those changes.
- 8. Inform development of a future Agency habitat conservation plan (HCP) and other planning documents.

#### Salinas Long-Term Management Plan DRAFT Outline

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	<u>0c425f987bd7129ad40a53</u>		data was used to generate the Greater Monterey County
			Water Tool
	http://www.ccamp.us/ca/view_data.php?org_id=rb3	Central Coast RWQCB	Central Coast Ambient Monitoring Program (CCAMP) which
			is the Central Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board's
			regionally scaled water quality monitoring and evaluation
			program

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# Salinas Long-Term Management Plan (LTMP) DRAFT Opportunities and Constraints

Drafted by ICF with Review from Monterey County Water Resources Agency Last updated: July 24, 2018

#### **Constraints:**

- **Grant funding timeline.** The grant supporting development of the LTMP has a deadline of December 31, 2018.
- **Future funding.** Future funding for revisions to the LTMP has not yet been identified.
- **Law and regulations.** Various regulatory permits will be required to implement LTMP management actions that would affect specific resources including waters of the U.S., waters of the state and associated riparian habitat, state and federal listed species, coastal resources.
  - Federal Clean Water Act, Sections 404 (dredge and fill), 402 (National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System), and 401 (water quality certification)
  - o Federal Rivers and Harbors Act, Section 10 (navigable waters)
  - o Federal Endangered Species Act
  - o Migratory Bird Treaty Act
  - o National Environmental Policy Act
  - National Historic Preservation Act
  - o California Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act
  - o California Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement
  - o California Endangered Species Act
  - o California Environmental Quality Act
  - o California Coastal Act
- **Landownership.** Almost all land along the river is private, which is challenging for management implementation.
- **Existing commitments.** Exiting commitments (e.g., water rights, permits, agreements) may create constraints around how resources are managed.
- Others?

#### **Opportunities:**

- **Support.** Past listening exercises by the Monterey County Water Resources Agency (Agency) and the current Issues Assessment by Consensus Building Institute show that most stakeholders believe a comprehensive management solution for the Salinas River is needed. No major issues against the LTMP were identified at the first public meeting on June 20, 2018.
- Active Participation. Approximately 40 people attended the June 20, 2018 public meeting.
- **Available Data.** There is a strong body of past and ongoing research, permits, and management plans from which to draw guidance and recommendations.
- **Need.** The Agency needs a habitat conservation plan (HCP) to comply with the federal Endangered Species Act and the Agency has time to develop a thoughtful conservation strategy for species that meets regulatory needs while also working for landowners/growers.
- **Funding.** A comprehensive approach to management planning will make the LTMP competitive for federal and state grants to support implementation.
- **Momentum.** Development of the LTMP is the next step in a process to establish a comprehensive solution to management challenges on the Salinas River and lagoon.
- Others?