

# Inyo-Mono IRWMP: Round 1 Planning Grant Accomplishments and Milestones



INTEGRATED REGIONAL WATER MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

## Task 1: Enhance and Maintain Inyo-Mono IRWMP Collaborative Process & Stakeholder Involvement (aka Meetings!)

- 13 RWMG Meetings
- 9 Administrative Committee Meetings
- Sierra Water Workgroup Summit



## Task 2: Update all relevant planning documents and processes in the Inyo-Mono Region

- Chapter 11 of Plan
- Online documents library

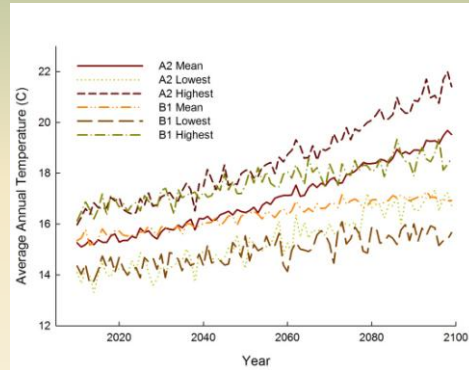


## Task 3: Re-evaluate governance and organizational structure for Inyo-Mono IRWMP

- Revised Version #1 of MOU: September 1, 2011
- 32 signatories
- Consideration of 501(c)(3) structure

## Task 4: Incorporate Climate Change into the Inyo-Mono IRWM Plan and Develop Climate Change Adaptation Strategies

- Reviewed “Climate Change Handbook for Regional Water Planning” (DWR/EPA)
- Vulnerability assessment
- Climate change impacts analysis
- Projected climatic changes for region
- Analysis of adaptation strategies
- Three greenhouse gas inventories
- Substantially enhanced Plan chapter (4)
- Participation in DWR Climate Change Technical Advisory Group
- Presentations of climate change work



## Task 5: Conduct Region-Wide Outreach to Refine Phase I Issues, Goals, Objectives, and Strategies

- Three public outreach meetings: Coleville, Ridgecrest, Benton
- Two Tribal meetings: Bridgeport, Benton
- Development of two new objectives and associated RMSs
- Adoption of Phase II ORMS

Co-Equal Regional Objectives and Resource Management Strategies

Regional Objective	Resource Management Strategies
1. Protect, conserve, optimize, and augment water supply while maintaining ecosystem health.	<p>A. Improve water supply reliability.</p> <p>B. Improve system flexibility and efficiency.</p> <p>C. Support compliance with current and future state and federal water supply standards.</p> <p>D. Address local water supply issues through various techniques, including, but not limited to: groundwater recharge projects, conjunctive use of water supplies, water recycling, water conservation, water transfers, and precipitation enhancement.</p> <p>E. Optimize existing storage capacity.</p> <p>F. Conserve and adapt water uses to future conditions.</p>

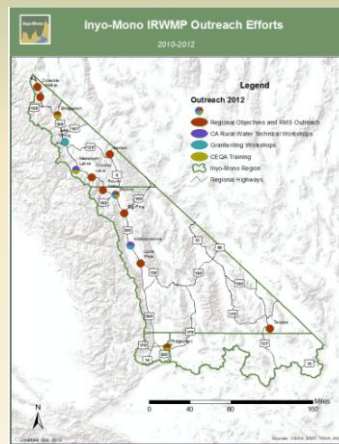
## Task 6: Solicit & Evaluate Phase II Projects from I-M IRWMP Planning Region

- Four CRWA workshops: regulations, water conservation, capital improvements
- Three CEQA workshops
- Online project upload form
- Responded to R2I PSP & Plan Guidelines
- Three grantwriting workshops
- Revised project scoring process



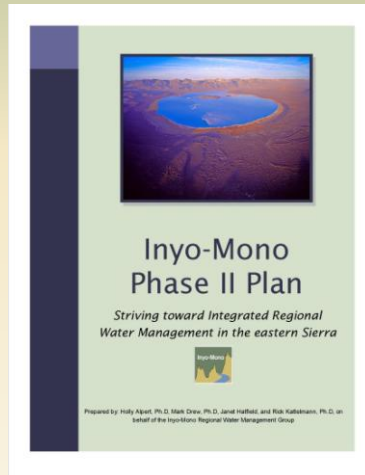
## Task 10: Maintain and Enhance Inyo-Mono IRWMP Website, GIS, and Communication Tools

- Overhauled website
- Added substantial content: searchable library, interactive maps, log-in pages, timeline, Member-of-the-month, newsfeed, improved calendar
- Improved and updated maps
- Domain name change



## Task 7: Develop Draft Inyo-Mono IRWMP Phase II, including prioritized projects

- Substantially overhauled and enhanced IRWM Plan
- Added new content




## Task 8: Review and evaluate draft Inyo-Mono IRWMP Phase II with Planning Committee

- Implemented new Plan chapter review process
- Released individual chapters for review for four weeks
- Incorporated feedback into Plan document



# Task 9: Develop and Submit Final Inyo-Mono IRWMP, Phase II

- Final details: proofreading, photos, maps, urls, formatting, **DONE!**



**A RESOLUTION OF THE INYO-MONO REGIONAL WATER MANAGEMENT GROUP APPROVING THE "INYO-MONO INTEGRATED REGIONAL WATER MANAGEMENT PLAN – PHASE II" AND AUTHORIZING MARK DREW, PROGRAM DIRECTOR, TO SIGN THE PLAN AND SUBMIT IT TO THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES**

WHEREAS, by Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU"), a broad array of governments, agencies, and organizations created the Inyo-Mono Regional Water Management Group ("Group"); and

WHEREAS, the Group prepared and approved an Integrated Region Water Management Plan – Phase I in 2010;

WHEREAS, the Group was awarded a Proposition 84 Planning Grant from the California Department of Water Resources to update the Inyo-Mono IRWM Plan; and

WHEREAS, staff and representatives of the Group have prepared the "Inyo-Mono Integrated Regional Water Management Plan—Phase II" ("Phase II Plan"); and

WHEREAS, the Phase II Plan is consistent with the 2010 Plan Guidelines released by DWR, and it addresses the major water-related issues and needs of the Inyo-Mono planning region;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT in accordance with the provisions of the MOU, the Members of the Group, acting through the Members' designated representatives to the RWMG, hereby approve the Phase II Plan and direct the Group's Program Director, Mark Drew, to sign this Phase II Plan Adoption Resolution and to submit the Phase II Plan to DWR.

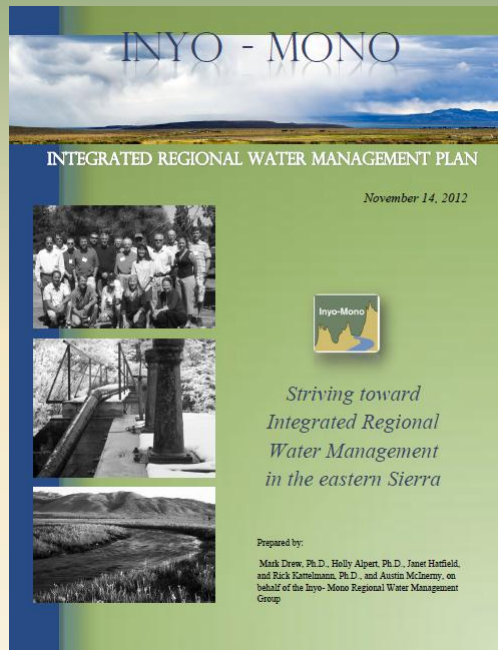
Passed and adopted this 14<sup>th</sup> day November, 2012, by consensus of a quorum of the Inyo-Mono Regional Water Management Group.

**SIGNED:**

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 Mark Drew  
 Program Director, Inyo-Mono Integrated Regional Water Management Program

**ATTEST:**

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 Holly Alpert  
 Program Manager, Inyo-Mono Integrated Regional Water Management Program



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**INTEGRATED REGIONAL WATER MANAGEMENT PLAN**

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*Striving toward  
 Integrated Regional  
 Water Management  
 in the eastern Sierra*

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