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MEMORANDUM

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TO: TFW Policy Committee

FROM: Saboor Jawad, Adaptive Management Program Administrator ^{asj}

SUBJECT: Additional Treatments for Riparian Shade Characteristics Project

CMER is considering the technical merits of a Riparian Scientific Advisory Group (RSAG) proposal to include additional treatments to the Riparian Characteristics and Shade Response Experimental Research Study (RCS). It remains unclear whether the RCS Add-on proposal is a Policy priority.

This memo follows a CMER motion and requests Policy's clarification on:

- Whether the treatments included in the Add-on proposal are Policy priority for the Adaptive Management Program (AMP) and,
- Whether the CMER approved RCS Study Design captures the full scope of treatments that Policy would like to have investigated

A study design for the RCS Add-on proposal is in development but hasn't been approved by CMER. The Policy priority question would need to be answered before the RCS Add-on proposal can be added to the CMER approved RCS Study Design. CMER may choose to continue discussions on the technical merits of the proposal while Policy clarifies whether the proposal is a priority for the AMP.

The Add-on proposal is attached for Policy's consideration of acceptance. Also attached is the CMER approved RCS Study Design as supporting material to aid Policy discussions on the Add-on proposal.

Attachments:

RCS Add-on Proposal
CMER Approved RCS Study Design