

## June RBC Meeting Review

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## Planning Process Recommendations



- 1. SCDES, the RBC Planning Teams, and the RBCs should conduct regular reviews of the RBC membership to make sure all interest categories are adequately represented and attendance across all interest categories meets the requirements of the RBC Bylaws.
- 2. SCDES should organize an annual state-wide meeting of RBCs and State agencies.
- 3. SCDES should continue to designate staff to coordinate and support ongoing RBC activities.
- 4. RBC members should be encouraged to present observations and outcomes of the river basin planning process. Chair and Vice Chair should approve the content.

## Consensus Policy, Regulatory, and Legislative Recommendations



- 1. The State should support statewide water education programs through existing agencies such as Cooperative Extensions, (etc.) that include all sectors of water use and promote the types of water management strategies recommended in River Basin Plans.
- 2. Water users should continue to identify partnerships and alternative sources including interconnections to build resilience and ensure adequate quantity of water.
- 3. State and local governments should continue to develop/review/update/ adopt and enforce laws, regulations, policies, and/or ordinances that improve the management of stormwater runoff, encourage infiltration, minimize streambank erosion, reduce sedimentation, and protect water resources.
- 4. A cost share program should be developed to drill deeper wells into aquifer units with less development pressure and operate them.
- 5. The Legislature should approve and adopt the State Water Plan and subsequent updates.