Multi-Benefit Workgroup

The Mid and Upper Sacramento River RFMP will focus primarily on projects that will reduce the risk and consequences of flooding in the region. But, flood control projects can serve more than one purpose. Benefits in addition to flood control can include:

Water Supply
Recreation
Water Quality Enhancement
Fish and Wildlife Enhancement
Operations and Maintenance Enhancement

Projects that serve more than one purpose are typically more financially feasible because they are eligible for a greater assortment funding opportunities. For example, DWR has been clear in communicating that multi-benefit projects will receive funding priority over single benefit projects. Multi-benefit projects may also be easier to implement because regulatory and permitting agencies generally look more favorably upon multi-benefit projects.

The primary objective of the Multi-Benefit Workgroup will be to help the RFMP team identify multi-benefit project opportunities. The Workgroup will assist the team in assessing the viability of identified multi-benefit projects, and will help explore opportunities for linking proposed flood control projects them with non-flood control purposes/benefits.