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November Meeting Highlights

Agenda Item 3

Drought Response

RBC Decisions and Recommendations

DRC Structure and Communication Plan

Rather than recommend river basins be used instead of DMAs, and the RBCs replace the DMA representatives on the DRC, the LSS RBC recommended that each RBC have representation on the DRC.

Drought Recommendations

1. The RBC recommends that water utilities review their drought management plan and response ordinance every 5 years and review and update every 10 years or more frequently if conditions change
2. The RBC recommends that a state funding be made available to water utilities to support the review and update of drought management plans.
3. The RBC encourages water utilities in the basin to consider drought surcharges on water use during severe and/or extreme drought phases
4. When droughts occur, the RBC encourages water users and those with water interests to submit their drought impact observations through the Condition Monitoring Observer Reports (CMOR).