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Focus Area – "SWP Dependent Areas"

- Vulnerabilities in the SWP Dependent areas are more severe given reduced reliability of SWP supplies.
 - Actions identified in the implementation phase must prioritize addressing the SWP Dependent area's reliability challenges.
- New core supplies and new/or existing storage must first address and reach SWP Dependent Areas.
- System flexibility and distribution system investments can increase SWP Dependent Areas' access to existing core supplies and storage.
- Shortages on the Colorado River Aqueduct limit the effectiveness of system distribution improvements

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Focus Area – Storage

- Storage is a vital component in maintaining reliability under current and future conditions
- Expanding existing or developing new storage programs may be needed to help balance new core supply development in order to meet potential future shortages
- Storage programs with even modest put/take capacities can help reduce the need for flexible supply.

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Focus Area – Demand Management

- Metropolitan's future reliability is susceptible to increases and decreases in demands
- It is important to pay attention to demand rebound, demand growth, and demand reductions and intervene as necessary
- Managing demands through the efficient use of water reduces dependency on supplies, helps preserve storage and helps avoid the need for extraordinary conservation measures

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Focus Area – Imported Supply

- Existing imported supplies are at risk from various drivers of uncertainty
- Maintaining existing imported supply reliability reduces the need for new core supply development and leverages years of investments
- SWP supplies, which are highly susceptible to varying hydrologic conditions, provide water for storage in normal and wet years for use in dry years.

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Focus Area – Local Supply

- Maintaining existing and developing new local supplies is critical in helping manage demands on Metropolitan, which increases sustainability and reduces the dependency on imported supplies.
- Impacts to reliability occur if local supply assumptions are not achieved; therefore, it is important to track progress of local supply development as one of the signposts in the Adaptive Management Plan.
- Additional actions may be needed should existing and future local supply levels deviate from IRP assumptions.

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Next Steps

- Obtain Member Agency feedback on draft report
 - Comments due February 8th
- February 22nd Request approval of Phase 1 Findings at IRP Special Committee
- March 8th Board action to adopt the IRP Phase 1: Needs Assessment report and findings

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