

RSMP Effectiveness Studies Workshop 1

Report-out for Topic Table Performance and O & M

Proposal title: Catch Basin Study (Colton)

Management action to test: catch basin maintenance

Effectiveness will be measured for (a) **implementation**, or (b) stress reduction, or (c) improving habitat

Summary of feedback given during the Topic Table discussions

Why are permittees interested in getting this info? How are they going to use it?

Every permittee has many catchbasins that they need to maintain, and most participants expressed an interest in learning how to streamline their maintenance procedures to save money. One participant also mentioned the possibility of developing self-inspection criteria for private facilities that contribute to a permitted MS4.

What are the barriers or obstacles to getting the information, or concerns about its use? Is there anything missing?

Data availability and data management were the most significant concerns. Interestingly, some participants were worried that not enough data would be available (especially in an electronic format) to answer the proposal questions, while other participants worried more about there being too much data to easily manage. Comparing costs between jurisdictions with varied travel times was also mentioned as a concern, and several participants indicated that they would have preferred if disposal costs were included in the proposal.

How will you make this proposal regionally relevant and/or informative?

The proposal is inherently regionally relevant, as it proposes to collect data from a variety of jurisdictions. Participants were interested in ensuring that a variety of potentially confounding variables were accounted for, including Phase 1 vs. Phase 2 permittees, proximity to receiving waters, variation in land uses, construction activity in the contributing basin, and decant facility locations.