Open Data to Open Indicators

EPA Exchange Network Project

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Partnership

- Indicator development among partners
- Tribe involvement in defining needs that the system should meet and indicator selection
- Indicator selection informed by CDWR current indicator palette for California Water Plan 2018

Indicators

System is based on indicators, selected in open process

Indicators correspond to social objectives for valued attributes

Indicators are quantitative measures of how well we are meeting objectives

Thus, they require data and a clear evaluation protocol





Indicators

California Tribes and Water Plan Goals	Indicators
Reliable Drinking Water Supply	Groundwater use
	Surface water use/supply
	Change in depth to groundwater
	Waterway threatened by climate change
Reliable Drinking Water Quality	Groundwater quality
	Surface water quality
	Pathogenic organisms
	Ag/wastewater pollutants
	Industrial pollutants
Environmental Quality	Mercury in edible fish
	Flows relative to goals
	Water temperature
	Waterway fragmentation
	Invasive species by basin
Maintenance of Traditional Activities	Tribal cultural use

Process

Met with reps from Southern California Tribal Chairmen's Association, Round Valley Indian Tribe, RTOC-participating tribes

Discussed possible indicators important to tribes and that tribes thought were regionally important

Met with DWR staff and reviewed draft CWP 2018 documents

Participated in CWQMC meetings and workgroups

Developed sets of indicators

Indicator Score Conversion

Salmon egg – juvenile well-

(San Joaquin River)

being and water temperature

Data for environmental conditions are converted to a score using rules specific to the indicator and data





Open Data

Water Quality Portal (USGS/USEPA)

State/AB1755 Resources



The California Environmental Data Exchange Network (CEDEN) is a central location to find and share information about California's water bodies, including streams, takes, rivers, and the costal ocean. Many groups in California monifor water quality, aquatic habitat, and wildle health to ensure good stewardship of our ecological resources. CEDEN aggregates this data and makes it accessible to environmental imanages and the public.



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Water Quality Portal (WQP)

The Water Quality Portal (WQP) is a cooperative service sponsored by the United States Geological Survey (USGS), the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), and the National Water Quality Monitoring Council (NWQMC). It serves data colected by over 400 state, feederal tribat, and local agencies.

Overall Scheme



"Grab" Corresponding Data

Three primary mechanisms:

1) Local database query:

Periodically access data and query locally

2) APIs:

Query data that are online (e.g., WQP) using URL

Query data using agency interface

3) "Scrape" data only available as online tables

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Maps



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Maps – select indicator in legend to right, zoom into points



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Regions

HU Name: Indian Wells-Searles Valleys

Regional Water Diversions Map

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Edit Regional Information

Code: 18090205

Scale: HUC 8

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Physical Attributes

State(s): CA

Area (sq km.): 5,230.13

Area Acres: 1,292,391.50

Regional Water Diversions

Application	Source	Watershed	County
A004682	East Sacatar Creek	Indian Wells	Inyo
A007411	Cabin Spring	Trona	Inyo



Parent Region Scale: State California

Nearby Regions

These regions are at the same spatial scale as the current region, and are nearby to each other (have the same parent region).

Scale: HUC 8

- · Aliso-San Onofre
- Antelope-Fremont Valleys
- Applegate
- · Battle Creek
- · Big Chico Creek-Sacramento River Bio-Navarro-Garcia
- · Butte
- Butte Creek
- Calleguas Carrizo Creek
- Carrizo Plain
- · Central Coastal
- Chetco
- · Clear Creek-Sacramento River
- Cottonwood Creek Cottonwood-Tijuana
- Cow Creek
- Coyote
- · Coyote-Cuddeback Lakes
- · Crowley Lake
- Cuyama
- Death Valley-Lower Amargosa

Example: Water Temperature

Chinook salmon growth curve (Brett et al. 1982). Growth rates at different temperatures for three feeding levels (R=0.6, 0.8, and 1.0). Rmax (R=1.0) represents satiation feeding, with R=0.6 closer to natural feeding levels.





Water Temperature Scaling Curve

Water temperature scaling curve, converts 7-day average daily maximum temperature to a 0 to 100 score. The formula is $100 - r(x-K)^2$, where r = 2.041 and K = 18° C.

Or instantaneous equation Y= 1-1/(1+e-(12-.56T)) (chinook salmon juvenile, Delta smelt; Bennett (2005); Nobriga et al. (2008); Moyle (2002))

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Surface and ground water



Example: N (Ammonium, Nitrate) Water Supply Wells Nitrate Score 0 - 20 20 - 40 40 - 60 60 - 80 80 - 100 County Boundary 60 50 40 Score 30 100 20 10 Pt-Sactamento 2/23 Garda Bend 1125 Chipps share HETPITS 50 Tower Bridge 2122 Gatia Bend 2122 100 Hood 2/22 RIO VISTO 2122 Chipps Hand 1/27 200 Mile Tower Bridge 115 Hood 1/25 ut Grove 1/25 HGrove 2122 Heton 125 Heton 2122 RIO VISTA 175 Pt.Sacramento 1/21 Equivalent Score Monitoring Location & Date 50 Drinking water quality 0 Score based on Dugdale et al., 2007, ammonium supporession of nitrate upta formula = ln(Y) = -1.28*ln(X)-4.2645 9 87 0 Suppression begins at 1 micromolar = score of 100. Score of 1 at 36 micromo Total nitrate (mg/L) (no true 0)

Next Steps

- Finalizing indicator data collection and score calculation
- Associating sites with each other
- Communicate with stakeholders
- Finishing 9/2018

Automated Features: Trends Analysis



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