

Recommendation and Consensus	Best Fit (LC, Budget, Rule, Guidance, Other)	Proposed Change to OWRD PBP LC
SECTION I: Overarching Recommendations for Water Planning and Management in Oregon		
<p>Recommendation A: The Legislature should allocate increased funding to support state agency capacity and resources for collecting, processing, interpreting, and distributing the water data needed for more effective water planning and management of instream and out-of-stream needs. At a minimum, this should include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) Increased access to existing water data and prioritizing efforts to address known data gaps for water planning (e.g., data inventories for place-based planning as described in Recommendation I). (2) Developing climate-informed water budgets for basins across the state to better understand current and future hydrologic conditions. <p><u>Consensus</u> Enthusiastic Support - 83% (20) Support - 13% (3) Neutral - 4% (1) Serious Concerns - 0% No way (actively block) - 0%</p>	<p>Best Fit: BUDGET; multiple agencies</p> <p>Current Applicable Sections in WRD Planning LC/ARB <i>POP 106: Water Planning Funding, Support, and Data</i> – “This package also proposes to fill critical gaps in information necessary for basins and regions to plan for their water future and pursue a more secure water future. This package requests additional staff resources tasked with developing a multitude of water supply analysis and tools to support future planning efforts.” <i>POP 111: Water Use, Supply, and Availability Data</i> – “By hiring staff and establishing contracts, the Department can continue to improve and develop these datasets, establish additional monitoring sites, and make these data more easily publicly accessible. This work will also provide datasets supportive of the work proposed in POP 106 prioritized by communities doing water planning across the state.” <i>POP 120: Improving Data Accuracy and Availability</i> – “In the end this work will make great strides in improving agency data quality, availability, efficiency and result in better data-based decision making.”</p> <p>DEQ ARB POPs <i>POP 125: Support Local and Integrated Water Planning</i></p> <p>ODFW ARB POPs <i>POP 107: Integrated Water Resource Solutions</i></p>	<p>N/A</p>

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<p>Recommendation B: The Legislature should fund, and the Governor should direct, the appropriate level of agency capacity needed for interagency data collection and analysis, technical support, and coordinated work-planning and budgeting to ensure robust engagement by and between agencies in support of water planning in alignment with each agency’s mission and authorities.</p> <p><u>Consensus</u> Enthusiastic Support - 71% (17) Support - 25% (6) Neutral - 4% (1) Serious Concerns - 0% No way (actively block) - 0%</p>	<p>Best Fit: BUDGET; multiple agencies</p> <p>See OWRD Agency Request Budget POPs above.</p>	<p>N/A</p>
<p>Recommendation C: The Community Engagement Guide should be provided to regional water planning and management efforts, in hopes that it will provide support to ensure that access to the process is transparent and inclusive.</p> <p><u>Consensus</u> Enthusiastic Support - 38% (9) Support - 58% (14) Neutral - 0% (0) Serious Concerns - 4% (1) No way (actively block) - 0%</p>	<p>Best Fit: GUIDANCE; RULES</p>	<p>N/A</p>
<p>SECTION II: Next Generation of Place-Based Integrated Water Resources Planning</p>		
<p>Recommendation D: Having a state-recognized plan should provide planning groups:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Agency support through coordination by the Water Core team (or other appropriate groups) to examine potential actions, incentives, or 	<p>Best Fit: LEGISLATION, RULES, GUIDANCE, BUDGET, multiple agencies</p> <p>Section 2(2):...” development of a place-based integrated water resources plan, including costs of: (h) eligible implementation</p>	<p>OWRD believes LC language is sufficient to address the recommendation</p>

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<p>strategies that would advance implementation of plans within each agency’s mission and priorities.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assistance for implementation coordination and plan updates as described in Recommendation I and Recommendation P(5) and P(6). <p><u>Consensus</u> Enthusiastic Support - 46% (11) Support - 25% (6) Neutral - 29% (7) Serious Concerns - 0% No way (actively block) - 0%</p>	<p>coordination costs of a state-recognized place-based integrated water resources plan.</p> <p>Section 2(6): OWRD to consult with DEQ, OHA, ODFW and ODA prior to issuing funding to understand interagency capacity to engage</p> <p>Section 2(7): authority to provide technical assistance to planning groups.</p>	
<p>Recommendation E: The state should more clearly articulate the value of developing a Place-Based Plan (e.g., preference points or ranking for funding), receiving state recognition, and continuing to work collaboratively according to the plan. This should be included upfront in the PBP Guidelines, on relevant state agency websites, and after recognition in the interagency toolkit.</p> <p><u>Consensus</u> Enthusiastic Support - 29% (7) Support - 42% (10) Neutral - 25% (6) Serious Concerns - 4% (1) No way (actively block) - 0%</p>	<p>Best Fit: GUIDANCE</p>	<p>N/A</p>
<p>Recommendation F: To maintain state recognition and access to associated resources, all planning groups should be required to complete biennial reports to the Water Resources Commission that demonstrate their progress on implementation, and</p>	<p>Best Fit: LEGISLATION and RULES</p> <p>Current Applicable Sections in WRD Planning LC/ARB Section 2 (1) As used in this section:</p>	<p>ADD to Section 2(9): “(f) Establish reporting and other requirements necessary to maintain the status of a state-</p>

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<p>that their pursuit of plan strategies and actions continue to represent a balance of instream and out-of-stream water interests and a commitment to collaboration and place-based planning principles.</p> <p><u>Consensus</u> Enthusiastic Support - 54% (13) Support - 13% (3) Neutral - 33% (8) Serious Concerns - 0% No way (actively block) - 0%</p>	<p>(g) “State-recognized place-based integrated water resources plan” means a place-based integrated water resources plan that has been reviewed by the Water Resources Commission and recognized by a commission resolution stating that the completed place-based integrated water resources plan adheres to applicable requirements.”</p>	<p>recognized place-based integrated water resources plan including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) progress on plan implementation, ii) how plan strategies and actions continue to represent a balance of instream and out of stream water interests, and iii) the planning groups plans related to collaboration and place-based planning principles.”
<p>Recommendation G: The state may use state recognized plans to identify common themes across basins to help inform updates to the Integrated Water Resources Strategy.</p> <p><u>Consensus</u> Enthusiastic Support - 25% (6) Support - 63% (15) Neutral - 13% (3) Serious Concerns - 0% No way (actively block) - 0%</p>	<p>Best Fit: LEGISLATION</p> <p>Current Applicable Sections in WRD Planning LC/ARB LC Section 2: (8) The Water Resources Commission shall consider state-recognized place-based integrated water resources plans when updating the integrated state water resources strategy.</p>	<p>OWRD believes LC language is sufficient to address this recommendation</p>
<p>Recommendation H: The Legislature should provide funding for a formalized interagency team to support and engage in Place-Based Planning. Without funding support for this formalized team, agencies may elect not to provide the assistance detailed below if staff resources are not available.</p> <p>At a minimum, the interagency team should consist of OWRD, DEQ, ODFW, OWEB, ODA, OHA, DLCD, DSL, and Business Oregon and be equipped with the</p>	<p>Best Fit: LEGISLATION (does not currently include DLCD, DSL, OWEB, BizOr); BUDGET; multiple agencies</p> <p>Current Applicable Sections in WRD Planning LC/ARB LC Section 2: (6) Before issuing funding under subsections (2) or (5) of this section, the Water Resources Director shall consult with the Department of Environmental Quality, Oregon Health Authority, State Department of Agriculture and State Department of Fish</p>	<p>OWRD needs to have further conversations with other agencies</p> <p>ADD to Section 2(9):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (b) In consultation with other state agencies, prioritize the issuance of funding for purposes described in this section. (d) In consultation with other state agencies, establish criteria and a

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<p>capacity to provide the following, within their mission and authorities:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) Consultation on the development of grant selection criteria and during the grant review process. (2) Coordination and consultation during the planning phase, providing technical and planning support to planning groups and developing educational resources to fill gaps in planning group capacity, knowledge, or skillsets. (3) Consultation and review of plans for state recognition. (4) Development and maintenance of a funding toolkit that would help planning groups navigate existing agency programs and funding opportunities. Consultation and review of implementation reporting to ensure that the pursuit of strategies and actions in state recognized plans continue to represent a balance of instream and out-of-stream water interests. (5) Coordinated work-planning and budgeting to ensure robust engagement from an interagency team, as it relates to each agency’s mission and authorities. <p><u>Consensus</u> Enthusiastic Support - 25% (6) Support - 58% (14) Neutral - 4% (1) Serious Concerns - 13% (3) No way (actively block) - 0%</p>	<p>and Wildlife to understand agency capacity to participate in developing a place-based integrated water resources plan.</p> <p>(7) The Department of Environmental Quality, Oregon Health Authority, State Department of Agriculture, State Department of Fish and Wildlife and Water Resources Department may provide technical information and assistance to, and enter into contracts or agreements with, a person, Indian tribe or nonprofit organization to facilitate implementation of this section.</p>	<p>process for state recognition of a place-based integrated water resources</p>

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<p>Recommendation I: The legislature should fund OWRD regional/basin coordination, outreach, and engagement staff throughout the state to help facilitate and guide groups through the Place-Based Planning Process. At a minimum, these staff would:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) Provide consultation to groups interested in undertaking PBP. (2) Help identify the local leaders, key state and federal agencies, tribes, and stakeholders needed for a successful planning process. (3) Coordinate an interagency team as described in Recommendation G. (4) Support and participate in the planning process and any continued processes associated with implementation coordination. <p><u>Consensus</u> Enthusiastic Support - 54% (13) Support - 17% (4) Neutral - 21% (5) Serious Concerns - 8% (2) No way (actively block) - 0%</p>	<p>Best Fit: BUDGET</p> <p>Current Applicable Sections in WRD Planning LC/ARB POP 106: <i>Water Planning Funding, Support, and Data</i> POP 115: <i>Supporting Resolution of Complex Issues – this package includes positions to serve as points of coordination for the Department as it works with parties involved in complex water management issues to assist in developing and implementing solutions on a regional basis.</i> Other: existing planning, public engagement and technical coordination staff need to be maintained</p>	<p>N/A</p>
<p>Recommendation J: The Legislature should fund data inventories across the state to (1) understand the availability of data and information essential to Place-Based Planning and (2) identify and prioritize strategies to fill gaps where they exist. Data inventories would inform strategic and effective water planning for instream and out-of-stream needs and help prioritize state-supported place-based planning throughout the state with a focus on areas of scarcity.</p>	<p>Best Fit: BUDGET</p> <p>Current Applicable Sections in WRD Planning LC/ARB POP 104: <i>IT Foundation, Modernization & Strategic Plan- this package would include a number of investments needed to support expanded use of IT resources and the analysis and planning of modernization efforts.</i> POP 106: <i>Water Planning Funding, Support, and Data</i></p>	<p>N/A</p>

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<p><u>Consensus</u> Enthusiastic Support - 46% (11) Support - 25% (6) Neutral - 25% (6) Serious Concerns - 4% (1) No way (actively block) - 0%</p>	<p>POP 120: Improving Data Accuracy and Availability - This package would include a number of investments needed to support efforts to enter, update, digitize and confirm agency data Other OWRD data and science related POPs</p> <p>LC: Section 2 (2) The Water Resources Director shall disburse moneys in the Place-Based Water Planning Fund established in section 1 of this 2023 Act as grants to fund up to 75 percent of the costs of actions supporting the development of a place-based integrated water resources plan, including costs of: (a) Filling gaps in state and local capacity, knowledge and skill sets. (b) Developing data and associated analyses tailored to the area of a place-based integrated water resources plan.</p>	
<p>Recommendation K: Place-Based Planning grant selection should be based on established criteria that consider planning group readiness and align with strategic priorities determined by the state.</p> <p><u>Consensus</u> Enthusiastic Support - 25% (6) Support - 46% (11) Neutral - 13% (3) Serious Concerns - 17% (4) No way (actively block) - 0%</p>	<p>Best Fit: RULES</p> <p>Current Applicable Sections in WRD Planning LC/ARB LC: Section 2 (9) The commission may adopt rules to implement this section, including rules that: (b) Prioritize the issuance of funding for purposes described in this section.</p>	N/A
<p>Recommendation L: OWRD should create easily accessible materials, including a pre-application checklist, for potential conveners and planning groups to preliminarily assess (1) whether Place-Based Planning is the best tool to meet their needs and (2) their initial capacity and readiness to engage in Place-Based Planning.</p> <p><u>Consensus</u></p>	<p>Best Fit: GUIDANCE</p>	N/A

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<p>Enthusiastic Support - 42% (10) Support - 42% (10) Neutral - 13% (3) Serious Concerns - 4% (1) No way (actively block) - 0%</p>		
<p>Recommendation M: The Place-Based Planning grant program should be accessible to basins with different levels of capacity and resources and be structured to provide onramps for groups through different tiers of support. Examples of these tiers include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Small Capacity Grants to help groups, especially those in underserved areas, prepare and assess their readiness to engage in the Place-Based Planning process. ● Planning Grants to help support groups in following the Place-Based Planning guidelines to develop a plan and achieve state recognition. ● Implementation Coordination Grants to help support continued engagement of planning groups as they move a state-recognized plan into action. <p><u>Consensus</u> Enthusiastic Support - 25% (6) Support - 54% (13) Neutral - 4% (1) Serious Concerns - 17% (4) No way (actively block) - 0%</p>	<p>Best Fit: LEGISLATION; RULES (Grant Structure)</p> <p>Current Applicable Sections in WRD Planning LC/ARB LC: Section 2 (2) The Water Resources Director shall disburse moneys in the Place-Based Water Planning Fund established in section 1 of this 2023 Act as grants to fund up to 75 percent of the costs of actions supporting the development of a place-based integrated water resources plan, including costs of: (a) Filling gaps in state and local capacity, knowledge and skill sets. (b) Developing data and associated analyses tailored to the area of a place-based integrated water resources plan. (c) Building relationships among state agencies and people who live in, or are interested in, the area of a place-based integrated water resources plan. (d) Assisting with building the capacity of a community to develop a place-based integrated water resources plan. (e) Facilitating associated public participation, including participation by members of environmental justice communities, through education, outreach, financial support and other activities. (f) Assessing critical issues related to a place-based integrated water resources plan. (g) Designing and managing the development of a place-based integrated water resources plan.</p>	<p>OWRD believes grant structure should be laid out in rules and program guidance to maintain flexibility. LC currently encompasses all of the tasks laid out in this recommendation.</p> <p>LC: Section 2 2) The Water Resources Director shall disburse moneys in the Place-Based Water Planning Fund established in section 1 of this 2023 Act as grants to fund up to 75 percent of the costs of actions supporting the development of a place-based integrated water resources planning, including costs of: (j) Assisting groups to prepare and assess readiness to engage in development of a place-based integrated plan</p>

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	<p>(h) Eligible implementation coordination costs of a state-recognized place-based integrated water resources plan.</p> <p>(i) Supporting development of a place-based integrated water resources plan.</p>	
<p>Recommendation N: The PBP grant should be structured to ensure planning groups that continue to meet criteria in planning and implementation guidance and are consistent with statewide IWRS principles are given priority to receive funding for continued planning and implementation coordination.</p> <p><u>Consensus</u> Enthusiastic Support - 13% (3) Support - 38% (9) Neutral - 21% (5) Serious Concerns - 21% (5) No way (actively block) - 8% (2)</p>	<p>BEST FIT: RULES</p> <p>LC already includes authority to provide funding for implementation coordination (section 2h above). Additional details to be outlined in rule.</p>	<p>N/A</p>
<p>Recommendation O: PBP grants should require applicants to cost share, either through in-kind or cash matching.</p> <p><u>Consensus</u> Enthusiastic Support - 17% (4) Support - 63% (15) Neutral - 17% (4) Serious Concerns - 4% (1) No way (actively block) - 0%</p>	<p>BEST FIT: LEGISLATION</p> <p>Current Applicable Sections in WRD Planning LC/ARB Section 2(2) The Water Resources Director shall disburse moneys in the Place-Based Water Planning Fund established in section 1 of this 2023 Act as grants to fund up to 75 percent of the costs of actions supporting the development of a place-based integrated water resources plan...</p>	<p>OWRD believes LC language is sufficient to address this recommendation. Have restructured to be explicit.</p> <p>ADD to Section 2(2): “The Water Resources Director shall disburse moneys in the Place-Based Water Planning Fund established in section 1 of this 2023 Act as grants. Applications must demonstrate in-kind and cash cost match of not less than 25 percent of the amount of the to fund up to 75 percent of the grant funds requested for...”</p>
	<p>BEST FIT: LEGISLATION; BUDGET</p>	<p>ADD to Section 2(2):</p>

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<p>Recommendation P: At a minimum, the Place-Based Planning grant program should enable:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) Support for meaningful community engagement, at the outset and ongoing. This would include resources for broad outreach, education, multiple channels for engagement and capacity building throughout the process. (2) Capacity support specifically to tribal and other under-represented or marginalized communities for meaningful engagement in place-based planning. (3) Support for capacity and/or funding for professionals to help prepare for and execute planning according to the Place-Based Planning Guidelines. Examples include capacity for project management, creation of governance agreements, DEIJ trainings, technical plan writing, and foundational expertise in water science, ecology and biology, climate science, and water law. (4) Support for professional independent third-party facilitation with subject matter expertise. (5) Support for continued engagement of planning groups to move a state-recognized plan into implementation. This would provide capacity to planning groups to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Refine plan actions and strategies, • Identify, prepare, and apply to funding opportunities to implement plan actions and strategies, • Coordinate with the interagency support team as needed, 	<p><u>Current Applicable Sections in WRD Planning LC/ARB</u></p> <p><i>POP 106: Water Planning Funding, Support, and Data</i></p> <p>LC: Section 2(2)...including costs of:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Filling gaps in state and local capacity, knowledge and skill sets. (b) Developing data and associated analyses tailored to the area of a place-based integrated water resources plan. (c) Building relationships among state agencies and people who live in, or are interested in, the area of a place-based integrated water resources plan. (d) Assisting with building the capacity of a community to develop a place-based integrated water resources plan. (e) Facilitating associated public participation, including participation by members of environmental justice communities, through education, outreach, financial support and other activities. (f) Assessing critical issues related to a place-based integrated water resources plan. (g) Designing and managing the development of a place-based integrated water resources plan. (h) Eligible implementation coordination costs of a state-recognized place-based integrated water resources plan. (i) Supporting development of a place-based integrated water resources plan. <p>-----</p> <p>(1) As used in this section:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (a) “Eligible implementation coordination costs”: 	<p>(k) Updating a state-recognized place-based integrated water resources plan.</p> <p>ADD to Section 2(2)</p> <p>(a) Filling gaps in state, tribal and local capacity, knowledge and skill sets.</p> <p>See language added in Section 2(9)(f) (rec F)</p>

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensure that the pursuit of strategies and actions continue to represent a balanced representation of instream and out-of-stream water interests, and • Complete biennial reports to the Water Resources Commission on the status of implementation. <p>(6) Support for planning groups to update plans when significant changes in local conditions, data availability, or climate change information indicate the need for a plan update.</p> <p><u>Consensus</u> Enthusiastic Support - 29% (7) Support - 33% (8) Neutral - 38% (9) Serious Concerns – 0% No way (actively block) - 0%</p>	<p>(A) Means costs associated with actions taken to coordinate implementation of a state-recognized place-based integrated water resources plan, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Costs of facilitation services related to meetings. (ii) The provision of stipends to encourage ongoing participation in meetings. (iii) Costs of coordination-related actions that occur after state recognition of a place-based integrated water resources plan. <p>(B) Does not include the costs of implementing a project.</p>	
<p>Recommendation Q: The PBP Program should build on guidelines developed in the Pilot phase and update planning guidance to incorporate feedback and lessons learned from the Place-Based Planning Pilot and the Place-Based Planning Independent Participatory Evaluation (McLain et al., 2022), as well as the recommendations in this report. These Guidelines should be provided to the planning groups at the beginning or their planning process.</p> <p><u>Consensus</u> Enthusiastic Support - 54% (13) Support - 38% (9) Neutral - 4% (1) Serious Concerns - 4% (1)</p>	<p>BEST FIT: GUIDANCE</p>	<p>N/A</p>

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<p>No way (actively block) - 0%</p>		
<p>Recommendation R: The PBP guidelines should establish a clear set of standards for engagement tied to accessing state funding for place-based planning, based on the following high-level principles from the Community Engagement Guide:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) Regional Planning Should be a Collaborative with Communities (2) Participation in Regional Planning Should be Balanced and Inclusive, and Should Include both Instream and Out of Stream Interests (3) Regional Planning Should Be Transparent and Accessible for All (4) Regional Planning must recognize that Tribal Engagement is not a monolith and each Tribe may have a different level of engagement in planning, different structures for communication and outreach, and different governmental departments engaged in planning and implementation. (5) Regional Planning Should Foster Public Input Early in the Process and Ongoing (6) Regional Planning Should Sustain an Informed Public (7) Regional Planning Should Support Trust Building Between All Participants, Community Members, and the State (8) Regional Planning Should Demonstrate Accountability <p><u>Consensus</u> Enthusiastic Support - 38% (9) Support - 46% (11)</p>	<p>BEST FIT: RULES or GUIDANCE</p> <p><u>Current Applicable Sections in WRD Planning LC/ARB</u></p> <p>LC: Section 2</p> <p>(9) The commission may adopt rules to implement this section, including rules that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (c) Establish requirements for engaging environmental justice communities pursuant to this section. <p>LC: Section 2</p> <p>(1) As used in this section:</p> <p>(e) “Place-based integrated water resources plan” means a plan that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (A) Is developed in collaboration with a balanced representation of interests; (B) Balances current and future in-stream and out-of-stream needs; (E) Is developed using an open, equitable and transparent process that fosters public participation; 	

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<p>Recommendation S: Add to the PBP Guidelines that building foundational trust with and among interested parties, planning groups, and state agencies should be prioritized prior to plan development and writing. This includes setting foundational norms for group engagement and developing and understanding foundational data.</p> <p><u>Consensus</u> Enthusiastic Support - 8% (2) Support - 50% (12) Neutral - 38% (9) Serious Concerns - 4% (1) No way (actively block) - 0%</p>	<p>BEST FIT: GUIDANCE</p>	<p>N/A</p>
<p>Recommendation T: Add to the PBP Guidelines that to demonstrate commitment, planning groups should develop and memorialize their commitments to the planning process through a Charter, Memorandum of Agreement, Operating Protocols, or something similar. This should include a clear scope and purpose of the planning effort, which must remain within the State’s authority and public benefit obligations.</p> <p><u>Consensus</u> Enthusiastic Support - 13% (3) Support - 54% (13) Neutral - 33% (8) Serious Concerns – 0% No way (actively block) - 0%</p>	<p>BEST FIT: GUIDANCE</p>	<p>N/A</p>
	<p>BEST FIT: RULES or GUIDANCE</p>	<p>N/A</p>

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<p>Recommendation U: Planning groups that receive funding from the PBP grant program should be required to (1) be facilitated by a neutral professional facilitator with subject matter expertise (with the choice being the planning group’s) and (2) document the plan utilizing the services of a professional technical writer with subject matter expertise.</p> <p><u>Consensus</u> Enthusiastic Support - 25% (6) Support - 50% (12) Neutral - 17% (4) Serious Concerns - 8% (2) No way (actively block) - 0%</p>		
<p>Recommendation V: To provide more consistent and sufficient funding to state agencies and planning groups throughout the place-based planning process, the Legislature should:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) Create a fund that allows for carryover funding and a base budget for place-based planning; and (2) Support permanent instead of limited duration positions at agencies. <p><u>Consensus</u> Enthusiastic Support - 38% (9) Support - 25% (6) Neutral - 17% (4) Serious Concerns - 21% (5) No way (actively block) - 0%</p>	<p>Best Fit: LEGISLATION</p> <p>Current Applicable Sections in WRD Planning LC/ARB POP 106: <i>Water Planning Funding, Support, and Data</i> POP 115: <i>Address Complex Issues</i></p> <p>SECTION 1. The Place-Based Water Planning Fund is established in the State Treasury, separate and distinct from the General Fund. Interest earned by the Place-Based Water Planning Fund shall be credited to the fund. The fund consists of moneys appropriated to the fund by the Legislative Assembly and public or private moneys designated for deposit in the fund. Moneys in the fund are continuously appropriated to the Water Resources Department for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of section 2 of this 2023 Act.</p>	<p>OWRD believes LC language is sufficient to address this recommendation</p>