

CSOP Advisory Team

Update to the Task Force

“One Year Later”

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Presented to the Task Force

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Major Accomplishments

The purpose of the CSOP Advisory Team is to assist the Task Force in providing recommendations to the Corps during key phases in the CSOP process and, by doing so, to increase stakeholder participation in the CSOP process.

- **Reaching Agreement**
- **Linking Efforts with the CSOP PDT**
- **Sharing Perspectives**
- **Developing Consensus Recommendations as Issues Evolve**

Reaching Agreement:

CSOP Performance Expectations Document

- Document approved by Team on July 29, 2004
- Submitted to the Task Force on August 6, 2004
- Task Force transmitted Performance Expectations to USACE

Linking Efforts with the CSOP PDT:

Continuous collaboration (PDT Workplan and schedule)

Continuous update and feedback from PDT on Advisory Team efforts and input

Presentations on Planning Conditions, Modeling 101, Alternatives Development, and East and West Bookends Development

Sharing Perspectives:

Stakeholder and Non-voting member presentations

- “Big Red Arrow”
- Water Quality
- S-356 Pump Station
- Modified Water Deliveries Timing and Funding
- Importance of Tree Islands to Tribal Culture
- Datum and Modeling
- Tools for Understanding Hydrology
- Miccosukee-hosted Airboat ride into the Water Conservation Area 3A

Developing Consensus Recommendations as Issues Evolve

**CSOP Advisory Team Resolution for the Task Force to
consider, including the importance of the Modified
Water Deliveries Project**

Resolution:

1. **Whereas**, the funding shortfall of the MWD project (the cost estimate has gone from \$191 million to at least \$319 million) has called into question the scope of work and the expected length of service of the CSOP Advisory Team.
2. **Whereas**, there is significant uncertainty about the future availability of funds and agency roles and responsibilities at both the federal and state levels.
3. **Whereas**, the implementation of CERP will be held up without the timely completion of the MWD and C-111 projects, (including the Tamiami Trail and 8.5 SMA components).
4. **Whereas**, at least three of the Accler8 projects directly affect the hydrologic performance of the MWD and the C-111 projects.
5. **Whereas**, the Task Force has established that the completion of the MWD and CSOP as one of its 3 named priorities.

Therefore the CSOP Advisory Team resolves that:

It is imperative that the Task Force urge agency members to resolve the issues of:

- funding,
 - scheduling, and
 - agency roles and responsibilities
- with respect to CSOP and the integration of these pre-CERP projects with CERP and Acceler8 and**

Provide guidance to the CSOP Advisory Team.

Next Steps:

Develop performance appraisals and recommendations on model alternatives

Continue to seek consensus advice as important issues arise

Continue to collaborate efforts with the CSOP PDT, including synchronizing work schedules

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Questions?