

**Kick-Off Meeting of the
Urban Certification Ad Hoc Work Group
CALFED Water Use Efficiency Program**

Final List of Key Issues

(Revised based on 2/28/02 Ad Hoc Work Group meeting and subsequent e-mail review)

Foundational Issues

1. What entity will make certification decisions?
 - What organization will be the certifying entity?
 - What other entities/groups will support the certifying entity's work? How?

2. What water suppliers will be required to participate in an urban certification program?
 - What is the timeline for initial certification?
 - What is the timeline for re-certification?

3. When will an urban certification program be implemented?
 - Will there be different implementation schedules based on various water supplier characteristics?

4. What is the role of the Council?

5. What will serve as the certification criteria?
 - To what extent does compliance with the Urban MOU serve as the basis for certification? How should unresolved analytic issues (cost-effectiveness, at least as effective provisions, etc.) be handled?
 - What are the necessary attributes of effective criteria (eg., flexible, objective, measurable, streamlined)?

6. How can an urban certification framework be structured to assure effective participation?
 - What is the nature/balance of incentives/penalties?
 - How will these be enforced?

7. What are the necessary elements of an urban certification implementation package?
 - Level of detail?
 - Funding
 - For water conservation activities (loans/grants)
 - For an urban certification process
 - Inter-/intra-program balance?

Subsequent Issues

1. What will be the certification criteria for water wholesalers?
2. What details are necessary to flesh out the broad mix of incentives/penalties discussed as part of the foundational issues?
3. How should other review process details be handled (i.e., reporting schedules, compliance designations)?
4. How should the appeals process be structured?
 - What are the grounds for appeal?
 - Who is eligible to appeal a certification decision?
5. What other regulatory requirements must be considered and accounted for in developing an urban certification framework? How should they be handled?
 - CPUC (relative to IOU considerations)
 - CVPIA
 - State Water Management Plans
6. How should an urban certification framework account for past conservation efforts?
7. What type of monitoring, evaluation and adaptive management process is necessary to incorporate as part of an urban certification framework?