

Appendix 5-A PMA Prioritization and Scoring System

Preliminary criteria, and an associated scoring system, were developed to assist in the evaluation and prioritization of the PMA options identified in Chapter 4. This prioritization system is intended to facilitate strategic implementation of PMAs based on factors including effectiveness, cost, and stakeholder support. The criteria and descriptions for each scoring category are shown in Table 1. A template, with the PMAs identified in Chapter 4 for near-term and for future implementation (Tiers II and III), is included as Table 2. Categories and scoring may be modified throughout GSP implementation to reflect the principal objectives for PMAs.

Table 1 : PMA prioritization criteria and score descriptions.

		Score		
Category		1	2	3
Effectiveness	Anticipated Benefit	Some physical benefit anticipated	Medium level of benefit anticipated (relative to other PMAs identified).	High level of benefit anticipated (i.e., streamflow depletion reversal is expected to be significant).
	Frequency	One-time benefit expected	PMA expected to provide benefit on more than one occurrence.	Benefits expected to occur repeatedly.
	Duration	Only short-term benefits expected (1-2 years)	Benefits expected over 2-5 years.	Benefits expected to occur over the long term (>5 years)
Completeness		No planning or studies have been completed, required permitting and funding sources have not been identified.	Some planning or studies have been completed, required permitting and funding sources may be identified and/or secured.	Plans or studies have been completed, permitting has been secured, project is funded.
Complexity		Requires little planning and design, labor or materials to implement	Requires some planning, design and/or some labor or materials to implement.	Requires significant planning, design and/or significant labor or material to implement
Cost		Low cost or funding has been secured.	Mid-range cost and/or potential funding sources identified.	High cost and / or funding sources have been identified.

		<p>Unproven technology or mechanism, legal authority unclear or no legal authority, anticipated difficulty obtaining required permits for project implementation.</p>	<p>Proven technology may be unproven in Basin setting or conditions), and/ or modelled results show an expected benefit, legal authority exists, and permits are anticipated to be attainable.</p>	<p>Proven technology and/or modelled results show an expected benefit, clear legal authority and required permitting is attainable.</p>
Uncertainty		<p>Low or no support from stakeholders.</p>	<p>Medium support or desirability from stakeholders.</p>	<p>Strong support from stakeholders.</p>
Acceptability				

