Increasing Efficiency and Effectiveness Through Collaboration

First Triennial Audit of Implementing A Comprehensive Monitoring Program Strategy for California
Audit Process

- SB 1070 and MOU require Cal/EPA Secretary, in consultation with Natural Resources Agency Secretary, to perform an audit of Strategy implementation
- Cal/EPA Secretary Rodriquez requested Council to perform a self audit
  - Developed common themes, concerns, recommendations
  - Rated progress against performance measures
- Draft Audit Outline – February 2014
  - Goals, accomplishments, challenges, unaddressed mandates, sustainability, next steps, recommendations
- Draft Audit Report – May 2014
Monitoring Council Instructions

- Add Executive Summary
- Add Roadmap
  - Include purpose & layout of topics covered
- Recommendation to Agency Secretaries
  - Top-down direction for departmental staff to participate
  - Dedicate staff time for collaboration
- Recommendations to Legislators
  - Dedicated source of funding and positions for coordination, data management, portal development
- Offer legislative committee briefings in letter
Final Draft is ready for Monitoring Council Approval

- Each Council instruction has been addressed
  - Executive Summary
  - Roadmap
  - Recommendations

- Council Members are listed on inside cover
  - Add your signatures?

- Acknowledgements
  - Workgroup facilitators
  - SB 1070 Authors
  - Former Council Members
  - Others
Recommendations (page 4)

To Agency Secretaries

- Provide top-down direction for departments to implement the Monitoring Council’s Strategy
- Allocate staff time for collaborative workgroup efforts and to make data and information accessible
- Direct departmental staff to use workgroup tools

To California Legislature

- Provide dedicated source of funding and staff positions
  - For workgroup coordination efforts
  - To open up environmental data systems
  - To develop and maintain portals
Cover Letter to Secretary Rodriquez

- Reason for Triennial Audit
  - Requested self-evaluation is enclosed
- Substantial progress made
  - Largely through voluntary efforts
  - Lack of dedicated funding
- Without explicit management support and dedicated funding, SB 1070 cannot be fulfilled
- Urge formal third-party external review
- Recommendations to agencies and legislature
- Members and staff available for briefings