

Regulatory Alignment Concept Paper

APPENDIX C

Cross-Program Regulatory Pathways and Collaboration

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Many of the proposed regulatory pathways incorporate collaboration across the programs, in addition to collaboration with external parties, such as regulatory partners, third-party entities, and technical assistance providers. **Exhibit 1** to **Exhibit 4** provide an overview by program of the proposed RPs that may impact and/or involve additional collaboration across programs or entities, including:

- **Other CDFA Programs or Offices:** Examples include but are not limited to CDFA Office of Farm Equity, State Organics Program, and Direct Marketing Program.
- **Other WBs Programs or Offices:** Examples include but are not limited to the Composting Program and Office of Sustainable Water Solutions.
- **Regulatory Partners:** Examples include but are not limited to other federal, state, or local regulatory agencies such as FDA, USDA, CDPH, DPR, DWR, CACASA, and CARB.
- **Third-Party Groups:** Examples include but are not limited to ILRP Coalitions, CAF related third-party monitoring groups, SWO local agencies, industry associations, commodity groups, third-party audit programs, and consultants.
- **Technical Assistance Providers:** Examples include but are not limited to UCCE, DAC TA providers, CCAs, and Pesticide Control Advisors (PCAs).

**Exhibit 1
PSP Regulatory Pathways Cross-Program and Entity Alignment**

		Produce Safety Program (PSP)	Fertilizer Research and Education Program (FREP)	Other CDFA Programs or Offices	Irrigated Lands Regulatory Program (ILRP)	Confined Animal Facilities (CAF) Program	State Winery Order	Stormwater Program	CV-SALTS	Other WBs Programs or Offices	Regulatory Partners	Third-Party Groups	Technical Assistance Providers	
Proposed RPs		CDFA			Water Boards						External Parties			
Produce Safety Program	RP1. Streamline Reporting, Inspection, and Data Collection Processes through Enhanced Internal Collaboration with Other Water Boards' Water Quality Programs	•			•		•				•	•		
	RP2. Obtain and Use Shared Data from Relevant Entities to Prioritize Risk-Based Inspections Using the Produce Decision Analysis Tool (ProduceDAT) Criteria	•				•					•	•		
	RP3. Obtain Compliance Information from Third-Party Auditors and Commodity Groups to Streamline Inspections	•										•		
	RP4. Optimize the Farm Data Repository to Incorporate Available Data into a Robust Risk Prioritization Model	•			•	•	•				•	•		
	RP5. Enhance the Farm Data Repository with Additional Tools to Assist Growers in Understanding Their Status Under PSR and Streamline Current Data and Information Collection Activities	•												
	RP6. Share Trends and Outcomes Resulting from Program Activities to Educate the Public on Food Safety Information	•									•			
	RP7. Assess Programmatic Activities through Robust Feedback Channels to Evaluate Program Performance and Educate Growers of Best Practices	•		•									•	•

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Proposed RPs		CDFA			Water Boards						External Parties			
Produce Safety Program	RP8. Incentivize Growers to Engage with the Program to Promote Awareness and Trust in the Program	•									•			
	RP9. Establish Attainable Goals for Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) to Communicate Program Performance	•									•			
	RP10. Align Programmatic Outreach Activities with the Farmer Equity Act to Foster an All-Inclusive Approach to Program Implementation and Regulation	•		•									•	
	RP11. Develop an Inclusive Process for Scheduling Inspections for Small-Scale, Socially Disadvantaged Growers and those with Limited-English Proficiency to Make Processes More Manageable and Accessible	•												
	RP12. Evaluate the Ability to Coordinate Inspection Timelines with Other Relevant Audits or Inspection Entities to Reduce Time Impact of Inspections for Growers	•											•	

**Exhibit 2
ILRP Regulatory Pathways Cross-Program and Entity Alignment**

	Produce Safety Program (PSP)	Fertilizer Research and Education Program (FREP)	Other CDFA Programs or Offices	Irrigated Lands Regulatory Program (ILRP)	Confined Animal Facilities (CAF) Program	State Winery Order	Stormwater Program	CV-SALTS	Other WBs Programs or Offices	Regulatory Partners	Third-Party Groups	Technical Assistance Providers
Proposed RPs	CDFA			Water Boards						External Parties		
Irrigated Lands Regulatory Program	RP1. Streamline Reporting, Inspection, and Data Collection Activities through Enhanced Internal Collaboration with Other Water Boards' Water Quality Programs				•	•	•	•	•	•		
	RP2. Streamline Enrollment, Inspection, and Data Collection Activities through Enhanced Collaboration with Other Regulatory Agencies	•	•	•	•					•		
	RP3. Standardize Discharger Reporting Templates to Remove Collection of Potentially Duplicative Information within the Program				•						•	
	RP4. Expand Capacity for Ongoing GeoTracker Maintenance and Functionality Updates to Ensure the Database Continues to Meet the Needs of All Users				•						•	
	RP5. Improve Database Integration to Streamline Reporting Processes and Reduce Manual Data Entry				•						•	
	RP6. Implement Tools and Resources on All Regional Water Board Websites to Raise Awareness of Program Updates and Requirements				•							
	RP7. Expand Tools and Training to ILRP Staff to Optimize Monitoring, Reporting, and Inspection Activities				•							

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Proposed RPs		CDFA			Water Boards						External Parties		
Irrigated Lands Regulatory Program	RP8. Encourage Uniform Electronic Reporting Across Regional Water Boards to Streamline Data Collection, Analysis, and Review Activities				•							•	
	RP9. Improve Communication of Program Objectives to Promote Transparency and Accountability				•							•	
	RP10. Enhance Ongoing and Frequent Feedback to Dischargers to Foster Continuous Improvement				•							•	
	RP11. Incorporate More Positive Incentives for Activities that Promote Program Objectives				•							•	
	RP12. Refine Statewide Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) to Evaluate Program Performance and Communicate on Outcomes				•						•	•	
	RP13. Provide Options for Alternative Compliance Pathways for Small-Scale, Socially Disadvantaged Dischargers				•								•
	RP14. Expand Technical Assistance Resources to Small-Scale, Socially Disadvantaged Dischargers		•		•								•
	RP15. Develop Targeted Education and Outreach Efforts to Small-Scale, Socially Disadvantaged Dischargers				•								•
RP16. Provide Additional Resources and Program Support for Small, Disadvantaged Communities				•					•			•	

**Exhibit 3
CAF Program Regulatory Pathways Cross-Program and Entity Alignment**

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Proposed RPs		CDFA			Water Boards						External Parties		
Confined Animal Facilities Program	RP1. Standardize Reporting Requirements and Templates Across Regional Water Boards to Simplify Reporting					•							
	RP2. Centralize Data Management Systems to Consolidate Data					•							
	RP3. Expand Third-Party Monitoring Group Responsibilities to Streamline Monitoring, Reporting, and Inspection Activities					•						•	
	RP4. Invest in Resources that Support Improved Management of Excess Nutrients			•	•	•					•		
	RP5. Develop Incentives for Dischargers that Help the Program Achieve Objectives					•						•	
	RP6. Distribute Performance Reports to Dischargers to Create Feedback Loops					•							
	RP7. Implement Tiered Monitoring Requirements Across All Regional Water Boards to Reduce Workload for Small-Scale, Socially Disadvantaged Dischargers						•						
	RP8. Use Alternative Sources to Assist with Annual Fees and Third-Party Monitoring Fees for Small-Scale, Socially Disadvantaged Dischargers						•						
	RP9. Support Small-Scale, Socially Disadvantaged Dischargers with Enrollment, Monitoring, and Reporting						•				•	•	•
	RP10. Encourage Use of Dairy Digesters for Dairy Facilities Located in Disadvantaged Communities				•		•				•		

**Exhibit 4
SWO Regulatory Pathways Cross-Program and Entity Alignment**

	Produce Safety Program (PSP)	Fertilizer Research and Education Program (FREP)	Other CDFA Programs or Offices	Irrigated Lands Regulatory Program (ILRP)	Confined Animal Facilities (CAF) Program	State Winery Order	Stormwater Program	CV-SALTS	Other WBs Programs or Offices	Regulatory Partners	Third-Party Groups	Technical Assistance Providers
	CDFA			Water Boards						External Parties		
Proposed RPs												
State Winery Order	RP1. Streamline Enrollment, Inspection, and Corrective Action Processes Through Strategic Cooperation and Collaboration with Regulators from Other Programs regulating Wine-Production Facilities					•	•	•		•		
	RP2. Increase Transparency through Preparation and Public Release of Periodic Program Status Reports						•					
	RP3. Promote Prompt Transition to the New Statewide Winery Order to Expedite Consolidation and Enrollment Activities						•					
	RP4. Automate a System for Tracking Winery Order Activity Statewide to Provide Consistency and Uniformity						•					
	RP5. Conduct a Periodic Review of Monitoring and Reporting Requirements to Re-evaluate Needs with Regard to Program Objectives						•					
	RP6. Develop Key Performance Indicators for the Statewide Winery Order to Meaningfully Evaluate the Effectiveness of the Program						•					
	RP7. Identify Opportunities to Assist Socially and Economically Disadvantaged Winery Business Owners						•					
	RP8. Consider the Cumulative Impacts of Wineries Operating in Disadvantaged Communities						•			•	•	•