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Subject: Materials that May Assist in Monday December 13 Meeting of Water Policy Funding subcommittee
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Our charge for the 9:30 a.m. Monday, January 13 Meeting of the "Funding Plans" subcommittee to the Water Policy Task Force Executive Committee is to:

- Examine Potential Revenue Sources for Funding Necessary Studies
- For Each Funding Method Determine Advantages and Disadvantages and How Much Money May Be Generated
- Determine What the Real Costs May Be

In case some of you may not already have it, I have attached the "Funding for Data Collection and Analysis" working document developed in the December 13 Executive Committee Meeting. At this point I have received no comments or suggestions from subcommittee members, but if I receive any prior to the meeting I will immediately e-mail them to you. As a back-up I have also developed and attached a personal brainstorming list of Potential State Funding Actions/Revenue Sources. If necessary this could help supplement other material, but my preference is rely on written and oral contributions from subcommittee and Executive Committee members. If I receive any material from other committee members I anticipate we would heavily use their contributions.

Some potential agenda items for the Committee might include:

- Discuss the Types of Data Collection and Analysis Programs and How they Might Use Funding.
- Discuss the Level and Duration of Funding Likely to be Required
- Discuss Whether Different Funding Sources or Approaches Might Be Appropriate in Different Situations.
- Brainstorm a Final List of Potential Funding Sources/Revenue Actions
- Identify the Advantages and Disadvantages and Likely Funding that could be generated by each Method/Revenue Source
- (Potentially) Consider Suggesting Which Funding Sources Should Receive Priority Consideration By the Executive Committee When They Make Recommendations
- Decide on How to Best Report Back to The Full Executive Committee on the 17th.

If possible I think it would be good to limit discussion on the first three items and mainly use them to set the stage. Otherwise they could distract from the committee's major charges. These are just ideas and I encourage subcommittee members to submit alternate agenda items and especially their ideas on funding actions/revenue sources. I look forward to seeing those of you who are able to attend on Monday.