SALINAS RIVER CHANNEL STREAM MAINTENANCE PROGRAM PARTICIPATION CHECKLIST

INITIAL PROJECT ASSESSMENT

1. **Contact RMU Executive Director to express interest**

2. **Determine if you have channels on your property**
   a. *Access webpage to look up channels by APN*

3. **Meet with RCD and RMU to review Stream Maintenance Program Requirements**
   a. *Discuss program structure and requirements*
      i. Three permits:
         1. Army Corps (404) – MCWRA permit holder
         2. Regional Water Quality Control Board (401) – MCWRA permit holder
         3. CA Fish & Wildlife (1600) – RCD Permit holder
   b. *Mitigation requirement maintenance*
      i. Different requirements for the different permits

RIVER MANAGEMENT UNIT MEMBERSHIP/SIGN PERMIT AGREEMENTS

4. **Enroll property in River Management Unit Association and sign permit agreements**
   a. *River Management Unit (RMU) Membership – processed by RMU ED*
      i. Membership Form
      ii. Fee Schedule
   b. *Permit paperwork – processed by MCWRA and RCD directly*
      i. MCRWA Agreement – for 404 and 401 permits
      ii. RCD agreement – for 1600 permit

DEVELOP ANNUAL WORKPLAN

5. **Develop workplan to obtain approvals for work**
   a. *Determine which channels and what type of work desired for each channel*
   b. *Develop 3 different workplans – agency develops with direction from landowner*
      i. 1600 workplan requires Verification Request Form
         1. Fees due based on the type of work requested
      ii. 404 workplan
      iii. 401 workplan
   c. *Obtain approvals from each permitting agency*

6. **Pre-work requirements**
   a. *Boundaries flagged and pre-maintenance surveys*
   b. *Vegetation Mapping for new channels (one-time only)*
   c. *Habitat assessments*

     d. *Training for responsible party and landowner (form signed)*

7. WORK
     a. *RCD informs landowner clear to work*
     b. *RCD and responsible party determine work/contact structure*
     c. *RCD helps coordinate work days*

8. POST-WORK
     a. *RCD invoices RMU Association*
     b. *RMU Association invoices each landowner/operator directly*
     c. *Identify plan for next year*
     d. *RCD compiles reports (one for each agency) after each fall season and submits*