



Funding is available for Pre-Disaster Mitigation and Flood Mitigation Assistance Grants

The California Governor's Office of Emergency Services has announced funding for the 2016 Pre-Disaster Mitigation and the Flood Mitigation Assistance Grant Programs. These programs provide funding for the local hazard mitigation plans as well as for hazard mitigation projects. Information about the funding opportunities and the application process is [here](#).

Delta Stewardship Council adopts refined Delta Plan performance measures

The Delta Stewardship Council has adopted refinements to the Delta Plan performance measures and corresponding sections of the Delta Plan. This was based on the best available science and informed by input from stakeholders and the Delta Independent Science Board review of the performance measure refinement process. The red line version of amended Appendix E, "Performance Measures for the Delta Plan" is [here](#). How these changes amend the Delta Plan is [here](#).

Seminar topic is benthic monitoring in the Delta

The Delta Science Program, the Ecosystem Restoration Program, and the Surface Water Ambient Monitoring Program will present a seminar March 15, titled Getting to the Bottom of It: An Overview of DWR's Environmental Monitoring Program's Benthic Monitoring in the Delta. Dr. Betsy Wells, a DWR environmental scientist, will offer some perspective of the DWR benthic monitoring program and discuss the bottom-dwelling communities' geographic, seasonal, and historical patterns. More information, including WebEx access, is [here](#).

Aquatic invasive species workshops are scheduled

The California State Parks Division of Boating and Waterways, California Coastal Commission Boating Clean and Green Program, California Department of Fish and Wildlife, and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service are conducting aquatic invasive species workshops. The workshops will describe the impacts aquatic invasive species have on the economy and environment, show how to recognize aquatic invasive species, and describe actions to prevent the spreading aquatic invasive species by inspecting and cleaning equipment and watercraft. Workshops will be held March 16 in Oakley, April 12 in Modesto, and May 19 in Santa Cruz. Pre-registration is required. More information is [here](#).

Delta and longfin smelt seminar is March 29

The University of California, Davis' Coastal and Marine Sciences Institute and the Delta Stewardship Council's Delta Science Program will sponsor a day-long seminar in Davis March 29, titled Delta and Longfin Smelt: Is Extinction Inevitable? The seminar is free and open to the public. More information is [here](#).

Governor appoints Jessica Law as coordinator of the Delta Plan Interagency Implementation Committee

Governor Edmund G. Brown Jr. has appointed Jessica Law as coordinator of the Delta Stewardship Council's Delta Plan Interagency Implementation Committee. More information is in this [news release](#).



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