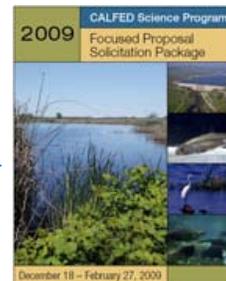




## CALFED seeks proposals for 2009 Bay-Delta research

The CALFED Science Program is seeking research proposals to support the CALFED Bay-Delta Program. This year, CALFED plans to provide \$8 million for Delta research in four areas: fish biology, food webs, hydrologic and ecosystem models, and water and ecosystem management. Proposals are due Feb. 27. [You can find the research solicitation package here.](#) The CALFED Science Program considers scientific research to be important in achieving its goal of establishing unbiased and authoritative knowledge directly relevant to CALFED actions.



## BDCP releases overview of draft Conservation Strategy

The Bay Delta Conservation Plan (BDCP) [has released an overview of the draft Conservation Strategy for the Delta.](#) This document is intended to provide an overview and synopsis of the draft proposed Conservation Strategy, including its key components, for the Bay Delta Conservation Plan. Required by federal and state endangered species laws, the Conservation Strategy is a critical part of the Conservation Plan, a draft of which is due by June. A draft EIR/EIS is due by the end of the year and completion of the BDCP by the end of 2010. The Natural Resources Agency is planning an interactive presentation in February to help people understand the draft overview. It will take place in the Resource's Auditorium in Sacramento and be webcast live. A date will be announced soon.

## DWR proposes building code changes in flood-prone areas

The Department of Water Resources will host two public meetings in January to provide background information and receive input on the FloodSAFE California Building Standards Code Update that is now under way. The first meeting will be held Wednesday, Jan. 21, from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the Sacramento City Council Chambers, 915 I St., Sacramento. The second meeting will be held Monday, Jan. 26, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Modesto City Council Chambers, 1010 10th St., Modesto. The same agenda will be used for both meetings. [Click here for more information.](#)

## Workshops to focus on Obama's Stimulus Package and water

The California Clean Water State Revolving Fund will present three workshops this month on President-elect Barack Obama's Economic Stimulus Package. The workshops will focus on the package's expected application to water and wastewater infrastructure projects. The state's water revolving fund could receive \$450 million. The workshops will focus on the package's objectives, priorities and funding mechanism. For more information, [click here.](#)

## Highlights section of Water Plan 2009 reposted

DWR has reposted the *Highlights* section of the Public Review Draft of the California Water Plan Update 2009: Integrated Water Management. The new version, dated today, has editorial changes in the Conclusion. [You can find the new version of the Highlights section here.](#) Next week, Volume 2 of the draft, which includes the Resource Management Strategies, is scheduled for release. And Volume 3, the Regional Reports, is due out on Jan. 29. Workshops on the draft will begin in February and will be scheduled through May. Comments about the draft are due by June 5. [Click here](#) for an informational flier about the Public Review Draft.



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