



Fifth staff draft of Delta Plan released, draft EIR to follow

The Delta Stewardship Council (DSC) has released the [fifth staff draft](#) of the Delta Plan, along with [10 appendices](#) related to the plan. [Public comments](#) must be submitted by Friday, Sept. 30. It is the final draft before the release of the draft environmental impact report (EIR), which is expected later this month. The [DSC](#) website also has links to the draft cover letter from the DSC executive officer and a chart showing the differences between the fourth and fifth staff drafts. The next DSC meeting will be held Thursday and Friday, Aug. 25 and 26, at a location to be determined. Details will be available [here](#).

Water board to consider water transfer petition from DWR

Later this month the State Water Resources Control Board will hold a [public hearing](#) on a petition for long-term transfer of 10,000 acre-feet of water from DWR to portions of the Westlands Water District. The hearing will be on Monday, Aug. 22, in Sacramento. DWR's petition requests that the long-term transfer be effective through April 30, 2027.

Webcast available for Tribal Advisory Committee meeting

A [webcast](#) will be available for this week's meeting of the Tribal Advisory Committee for California Water Plan Update 2013. The meeting will be held Friday, Aug. 5, in Sacramento. A [parking map](#), the [agenda](#) and meeting materials are available on the [Water Plan](#) website.



Committee to look at proposed policy for levee management

The Federal Appropriations Committee of the [California Water Commission](#) will be meeting Monday, Aug. 8, in Sacramento. The [agenda](#) includes [challenges](#) DWR has found with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' proposed policy on vegetation management for levees. The committee will also discuss federal appropriations for California water and flood projects.

New tool will help water suppliers submit UWMP data

Water suppliers have a new tool for submitting data from urban water management plans (UWMPs). The [DWR Online Submittal Tool](#) (DOST) was made available this week. It will enable DWR to gather information on UWMPs throughout California and organize it in a statewide database. The DWR website also has an online manual with instructions for using DOST.

FMA sets September dates for annual flood conference

The Floodplain Management Association (FMA) will hold its annual [conference](#) on Sept. 6-9, in San Diego. The conference will include a look at flood policies, legislation, funding and other flood risk management issues. The [program](#) and registration information are available online.



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