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Groundwater Information Update Gets Underway

SACRAMENTO -- The Department of Water Resources has launched a three-year effort to improve the quality of information on the state's nearly 500 groundwater basins.

Under the authority of legislation enacted this year, the Department will prepare a statewide inventory of groundwater data, develop a model groundwater management ordinance for local governments, and create guidelines for evaluating local groundwater management plans.

The effort is expected to take three years, with a draft report to be released for public review in 2001, and a final report (Bulletin 118 in the DWR publications series) ready in 2002.

The Department will synthesize data collected from local water agencies with information maintained by the Department, such as statewide water supply and water use data and information from reports filed by well drillers.

As part of the process of determining content for the report, the Department will ask for public input at a series of meetings starting in August and ending in September (full details are attached).

Meeting locations include Red Bluff, Sacramento, Modesto, Cathedral City, Bakersfield, Salinas, San Jose, Irvine, Glendale, and Ventura.

Questions about the study should be directed to Debra Carlisle, project manager, at (916) 653-9493 or by e-mail: carlisle@water.ca.gov

GROUNDWATER PUBLIC MEETINGS

AUG. 30:

Red Bluff Community Center
1500 Jackson Street
Red Bluff

AUG. 31:

Arcade Water District
Board Room, Suite 100
3701 Marconi Avenue (near Marconi and Watt)
Sacramento

SEPT. 1:

Modesto Irrigation District
1231 11th Street
Modesto

SEPT. 8:

Days Inn Suites
69-151 East Palm Canyon Drive
Cathedral City

SEPT. 9:

Kern County Water Agency
Board Room
3200 Rio Mirada Drive
Bakersfield

SEPT. 13:

Monterey County Water
Resources Agency
Board Room
893 Blanco Circle
Salinas

SEPT. 14:

Santa Clara Valley Water Dist.
Board Room
5750 Almaden Expressway
San Jose

SEPT. 20:

Irvine Civic Center
Room L102
One Civic Center Plaza
Irvine

SEPT. 21:

Glen Oaks Canyon Club House
2531 East Glen Oaks Blvd.
Glendale

SEPT. 22:

Ventura City Hall
501 Poli Street
Ventura

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The Department of Water Resources operates and maintains the State Water Project, provides dam safety and flood control and inspection services, assists local water districts in water management and

water conservation planning, and plans for future statewide water needs. The State Water Project provides water to two-thirds of California's population.

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