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FISH PASSAGE WORKSHOP SCHEDULED

SACRAMENTO---The California Department of Water Resources, in cooperation with local agencies, kicks off a public workshop next week that will visit four central and northern California cities to inform citizens and local governments about the Fish Passage Improvement Program.

Fish Passage Improvement is an element of the CALFED Integrated Storage Investigations Program (ISI). It assesses the potential to improve habitat by modifying or removing barriers to fish migration in Bay-Delta streams and rivers. Barriers include culverts, pipe crossings, dams, and gravel operations.

The first stop for the public workshop is Modesto on February 13. The meeting will be held from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the Stanislaus Agricultural Center, 3800 Cornucopia Way.

On February 15, the workshop moves north to the Red Bluff Community Center at 1500 South Jackson Street. Again, from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.

February 16, the workshop is scheduled from 10 a.m. to noon at Oakland's East Bay Regional Park District, 2950 Peralta Oaks Court.

The following week, on February 22, the workshop will be held at the Yuba-Sutter Chamber of Commerce at 429 Tenth Street in Marysville from 7 p.m. until 9 p.m.

In addition to discussing the scope and ongoing activities of the Fish Passage Improvement Program, workshop staff will talk about some of the resources available to local entities, watershed groups, and landowners to improve fish passage in their areas.

For more information, contact William Bennett, ISI Fish Passage Improvement Program, at (916) 327-1533 or e-mail fishpassage@water.ca.gov

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