



## **News for Immediate Release**

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### **DWR Releases Final IRWM Program Guidelines and Proposal Solicitation Packages**

SACRAMENTO - The Department of Water Resources (DWR) announces release of its Final Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM) Program Guidelines and Proposal Solicitation Packages( PSPs) for the Planning Grant, Implementation Grant, and Stormwater Flood Management (SWFM) Grant programs.

The Guidelines and PSPs will be used to disburse IRWM grant funding pursuant to the Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality and Supply, Flood Control, River and Coastal Protection Bond Act of 2006 (Proposition 84) and SWFM grant funding pursuant to the Disaster Preparedness and Flood Prevention Bond Act of 2006 (Proposition 1E).

The IRWM Program is designed to encourage integrated regional strategies for management of water resources and to provide funding for projects for both planning and implementation that support integrated water management.

The Guidelines establish the general process, procedures, and criteria that DWR will use to implement the IRWM Program including the IRWM Planning, IRWM Implementation, and SWFM grants. The PSPs provide specific instructions for potential applicants to apply for these grant programs.

These newly released documents as well as other information about the IRWM Grant Program can be found at: <http://www.water.ca.gov/irwm/index.cfm>.

A series of Applicant Workshops will provide potential grant applicants with assistance on preparing grant applications for IRWM Planning grants, IRWM Implementation grants, and SWFM grants. The workshops will also provide information on DWR's new grant application submittal tool – Bond Management System (BMS). BMS can be accessed here:

[http://www.water.ca.gov/irwm/integregio\\_bms.cfm](http://www.water.ca.gov/irwm/integregio_bms.cfm).

## Planning Grant Applicant Workshops

<u>Applicant Workshops</u>	
Hugh M. Burns Building 2550 Mariposa Mall, Room 1036 Fresno, CA 93721 (street parking, have cash on hand)	August 30, 2010 9 a.m. – 12 p.m.
Civic Plaza Building Plaza Community Room 275 Main Street, 4 <sup>th</sup> Floor Watsonville, CA 95076 (garage parking, have cash on hand)	August 31, 2010 <sup>(1)</sup> 9 a.m. – 12 p.m.
California Tower Building High Grove Room 3737 Main Street, Suite 200 Riverside, CA 92501 (garage parking, have cash on hand)	September 1, 2010 9 a.m. – 12 p.m.
California EPA Building, Byron Sher Auditorium 1001 I Street Sacramento, CA 95814 (street and garage parking, have cash on hand)	September 2, 2010 <sup>(1),(2)</sup> 8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

(1) This meeting will be followed by an SB-6 Groundwater Monitoring Workshop.

(2) This meeting will include a live audio/video Webcast and will be available at the following link:  
<http://www.calepa.ca.gov/broadcast/>. Viewers may email questions or comments during the webcast to  
[DWR\\_IRWM@water.ca.gov](mailto:DWR_IRWM@water.ca.gov).

Registration is not required to attend the Applicant Workshops. Workshops for IRWM Implementation grants and SWFM grants will be scheduled and announced at a future date.

Those wishing to be placed on the IRWM contact list should send an e-mail to  
[DWR\\_IRWM@water.ca.gov](mailto:DWR_IRWM@water.ca.gov).

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