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UCD professor proposes to compile, synthesize regional water planning

Dr. Jay Lund of UC Davis -- and an Update 2005 alumnus -- made a proposal to DWR to compile and synthesize information from technical studies from regional water planning efforts to inform the Water Plan's Regional Reports and quantitative studies. "These regional studies can serve as a point of departure for improving our understanding and analysis of California's water system," said Lund in the proposal. The proposal is [posted here](#).

News article offers 2007 water chronology

The North County Times, a newspaper that circulates in parts of San Diego and Riverside counties, has published a concise chronology of state water happenings that might be of interest and use. The chronology is a sidebar at the end of an article by reporter Gig Conaughton, who lays out what he thinks are the biggest water news stories of the year -- from a Southern California perspective. [Find the article here](#).

Washington water planners use NASA satellites

Satellites of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration are focused on the North Olympic Peninsula in Washington state to help it manage its water. The space agency helps planners sort out the competing demands of farms, fish and people. Scientists at the Pacific Northwest National Laboratory in Sequim, Wash., are using satellite data to forecast much more accurately the snowmelt in the Olympic Mountains and its effects on the flow of the Dungeness River. [Read more](#).

Blog offers advice about 'Water Words That Work'

Eric Eckl of Falls Church, Va., is a consultant helping "environmental professionals" reorient themselves to the vocabulary and perspective of nonprofessionals. He's been on CNN, in the New York Times and speaks often at technology, marketing and environmental conferences. As with most blogs, Eckl's blog "[Water Words That Work](#)" has a point of view. But you may find it interesting.

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