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Wednesday's Update



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This weekly electronic newsletter is designed to keep you current on California Water Plan news. We welcome comments, suggestions and any news tips that may be of interest to water planners.

Workshop to explore 'Shared Vision Planning,' a way to link technical and policy concerns

DWR and the California Water and Environmental Modeling Forum, with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' Institute for Water Resources, are sponsoring a one-day workshop next Tuesday, April 22, to introduce Shared Vision Planning to natural resource planners, scientists, and engineers. It will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. in Room 500 of the State Library, 914 Capitol Mall, Sacramento. [Here are the details](#). Shared Vision Planning uses planning principles, systems modeling, and collaboration to create a practical forum for making water resources management decisions. [Read more about Shared Vision Planning](#). Please RSVP to Rich Juricich [via e-mail](#) or call him at (916) 651-9225.



Draft on desalination strategy now available

Desalination is the latest resource management strategy to be released in draft form for California Water Plan Update 2009. This report addresses desalination used by public and private water agencies. [Find it and other RMS initial drafts here](#). Initial drafts are just the first of many drafts soliciting public comments, including a public review draft that will be distributed at the end of this year.

DWR offers drought and desal guidebooks

DWR is offering two new helpful guides: the 2008 Urban Drought Guidebook and a handbook on desalination. DWR has updated its Urban Drought Guidebook to help local water agencies and communities prepare for a dry year or supply interruptions. [Read more](#). Also, the department is offering a new handbook for developing desalination facilities. The handbook addresses siting, regulatory, technical, environmental and other issues that should be considered in planning a desalination project. [Read more](#).

Public meetings about Delta scheduled

The Delta Vision Blue Ribbon Task Force will meet April 24 and 25 in West Sacramento. [Click here for details](#). The Bay Delta Conservation Plan will conduct a series of meetings beginning April 28 to discuss the plan's EIR/EIS. [See schedule here](#).

Low Impact Development subject of workshops

The California Coastal Commission is offering workshops next week throughout the state on Low Impact Development, an approach to stormwater management. Some workshops are already full. [Go here for details](#).

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