

California Water Plan 2009



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.

DWR releases details of regional workshops on Water Plan Update

DWR and 20 other State agencies are inviting the public to participate in a series of 12 regional workshops about the Public Review Draft of the California Water Plan Update 2009. This round of workshops also will seek public comment on the Public Review draft. The workshops will be held statewide this month and next. [More details and region-specific agendas for these other workshops will be posted and available here.](#)



NFWF to offer grants to restore meadows in the Sierra

The National Fish and Wildlife Foundation Board of Directors has approved a Sierra Nevada meadow restoration initiative that includes grants for restoring meadows. The foundation believes restoration projects can restore more than 500,000 acre-feet of water storage capacity in the Sierra. [You can read more about the grants and the restoration initiative's business plan here.](#)



IRWM workshop tomorrow will be webcast on Internet

DWR will offer two workshops about the Region Acceptance Process for Integrated Regional Water Management funding. The first will be held in Sacramento tomorrow, April 2, and the second in Los Angeles on Wednesday, April 8. The meeting in Sacramento will be webcast over the Internet. [Find meeting and webcast details here.](#) The Region Acceptance Process is a component of IRWM program guidelines and will be used to evaluate and accept an IRWM region into the IRWM grant program.

DWR workshops set for possible changes in flood area building codes

The Department of Water Resources will host two workshops on proposed updates to California Building Standards Code for buildings in areas protected by the State flood control system. The first workshop is April 13 in Merced; the second will be April 14 in Sacramento. [An agenda, workshop times, locations and proposed changes to the building code.](#)

Sierra group launches campaign to raise climate change profile

The Sierra Nevada Alliance has launched a [campaign](#) to enlist people, groups and agencies to sign its [Sierra Water and Climate Change Adaptation Pledge](#), which is designed to raise awareness about the effects of climate change on the mountain range. The campaign pushes the pledge for groups and agencies involved in resource management planning in the Sierra and a pledge for individuals. Forty-seven organizations in the Sierra Nevada — mostly small conservation groups — have signed the pledge so far.

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Upcoming Meetings

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