

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.

4 regional workshops are on the schedule this week and next

Four regional workshops about the Public Review Draft of the California Water Plan Update 2009 will be this week and

next. The workshops will be held on Friday, April 24, a workshop will be held in Bishop for the South Lahontan Region; next Wednesday, April 29, in El Centro for the Colorado River Region; next Thursday, April 30, in Mira Loma for the South Coast Region; and on Friday, May 1, in San Luis Obispo for the Central Coast Region. DWR and 20 other State agencies invite the public to participate in the workshops and seeking comment on the Public Review draft. The rest of the workshops will be held in May. [More details and region-specific agendas for these other workshops will be posted and available here.](#)



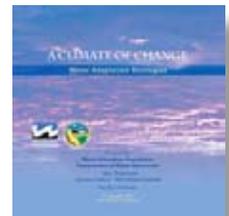
'Save Our Water' education campaign challenges public

California leaders on Tuesday launched a statewide public education program challenging the public to do their part to save water. "Water is an essential part of our life here in California, but we are facing severe challenges that threaten our economy and our environment," said California Secretary for Natural Resources Mike Chrisman. [You can read more about the campaign here.](#)



DWR releases 'Climate of Change' video online

In conjunction with Earth Day today, DWR released a 22-minute mini-documentary titled "The Climate of Change." [You can view the video here.](#) The documentary describes the state of climate change science in California: what we've seen already, and what the future might hold. It presents state, national, and local perspectives, with a dozen experts in the field. Hosted by Elissa Lynn and produced by the Water Education Foundation, it showcases California's unique weather patterns, specific model projections, and proposed adaptation strategies.



USBR offers Recovery Act grants for water efficiency

With recent enactment of the Recovery Act, the Bureau of Reclamation will be accepting new applications from irrigation and water districts for funding under the Challenge Grant Program for water marketing and efficiency grants. It is aimed at projects that bank water, market water, conserve water, or generally make more efficient use of water supplies and that will preserve and create jobs, assist those affected by the recession, and provide investments in infrastructure. The application deadline is May 22. [Read more.](#)

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