

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.

Drought Update reports conditions around the state

On Monday, DWR released the August edition of **California Drought Update**. This edition updates hydrologic conditions, the effects of developing El Niño in the Pacific, local drought effects including groundwater, effects by hydrologic region, the status of drought emergencies declared by counties, Save Our Water conservation outreach activities, and planning for a dry 2010. [You can find it here.](#)

'Save Our Water' is theme of State Fair exhibit

With California in its third consecutive dry year, the "Save Our Water" program is educating Californians on the importance of water conservation and easy ways to save water at the State Fair, which is open daily through Monday, Labor Day, in Sacramento. "Save Our Water" is the theme of the California Department of Water Resources' and the Association of California Water Agencies' 4,000 square-foot exhibit in California Building B. For more on the "Save Our Water" program, [click here.](#)



RAP recommendations posted; workshops set

The 2009 region acceptance process (RAP) draft recommendations have been posted for public review and comments. Original submittals, GIS maps, and individual summaries are also available for [download here](#). DWR received 46 RAP proposals and subsequently conducted interviews with each regional group. The deadline for written comments is 5 p.m., Sept. 22. The final RAP decision, as approved by the DWR Director Lester Snow, is expected to be released in mid-October. DWR is presenting the draft recommendations and receiving public comments at workshops to be held on Sept. 8, 9, and 10, in Sacramento, Los Angeles, and Fresno. [Find meeting details here.](#)

Strategic Growth Council prepares to adopt criteria for Prop. 84 funds

California's Strategic Growth Council will meet next Tuesday, Sept. 8, when it will consider final adoption of criteria for awarding Proposition 84 funds for model development and data gathering. The meeting from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. in Sacramento is public and will be [webcast](#). The SGC is a cabinet-level council that coordinates the activities of state agencies on such topics as improving air and water quality. [You can find more information about the council and its meeting here.](#)

Mark your calendar! Water Plan's Plenary meeting set for Oct. 14-15

The Water Plan's annual Plenary meeting will be held Wednesday and Thursday, Oct. 14 and 15. For the Plenary meeting, a pre-final version of Update 2009 will be posted online, and the public is asked to comment. [Meeting information and materials will be posted here.](#)

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Upcoming Meetings

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