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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.

Three meetings highlight busy week for California Water Plan

Three meetings related to California Water Plan Update 2013 will be held next week in Sacramento. A [scenarios workshop](#) for evaluating management responses to a variety of future uncertainties will be held Monday, Aug. 22. The [Water Quality Caucus](#) will meet Wednesday, Aug. 24. It will be the last chance for new members to join the group. Also on Aug. 24, a workshop is scheduled to develop a framework for [sustainability indicators](#) to be included in the Water Plan.

Technology council releases strategy for resolving California's water issues

The California Council on Science and Technology has issued a report that includes recommended actions for California Water Plan Update 2013. [Innovate 2 Innovation](#) lays out a strategy that would apply technology to resolve California's [water issues](#), create a digitally driven learning environment for K-12 education and improve collaboration between industry and higher education. The report is being sent to the state Legislature for review.



\$205 million in grants awarded to 25 recipients by IRWM

DWR has announced the awarding of almost \$205 million in grants for the first round of the [Proposition 84 Implementation Grant Program](#). The funding is going to 25 applicants who submitted proposals to the Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM) Grant Program. A [list](#) of the recipients is available on the IRWM website.

EPA toolbox offers climate change help to water utilities

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has updated the resources in its [Climate Ready Water Utilities Toolbox](#). It provides help with climate adaptation planning at water utilities. The resource list includes the [Climate Resilience Evaluation and Awareness Tool](#), which helps utility owners and operators assess climate change threats and related risks at their individual utilities.

Public comments being accepted for north coast water quality plan

Public comments are being accepted on the triennial review of the [Water Quality Control Plan for the North Coast Region](#), which is also known as the Basin Plan. The deadline for submitting comments is Wednesday, Aug. 24. They can be emailed [here](#).

DWR director chosen as keynote speaker for irrigation conference

DWR Director Mark Cowin will be the keynote speaker at the [Sixth International Conference on Irrigation and Drainage](#). The conference will be held Nov. 15-18, in San Diego. It is sponsored by the [U.S. Committee on Irrigation and Drainage Professionals](#). The agenda includes discussions of actions and consequences that come with the effort to achieve irrigation and drainage efficiency.

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