

# California Water Plan eNews

## VISION

- Public Health, Safety, Quality of Life
- Vitality, Productivity, Economic Growth
- Healthy Ecosystem, Cultural Heritage

## Foundational Actions for SUSTAINABLE WATER USES

- Use Water Efficiently
- Protect Water Quality
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- Implement Integrated Regional Water Management
- Improve Statewide Water and Flood Management Systems

## 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 sets the schedule for three regional forums in January

DWR will be sponsoring three regional forums in January. They will feature discussions on regional reports for California Water Plan Update 2013, groundwater initiatives from the Association of California Water Agencies and water management strategies. The Tulare Lake regional forum will be Tuesday, Jan. 17. It will be followed by forums for the San Joaquin River on Jan. 18, and for the Sacramento River on Jan. 20. Details and forum materials will be linked [here](#).

### Save the date: Plans being set for Jan. 12 workshop on CII water use report

Preparations are underway for a public workshop on a draft report prepared by DWR and The Commercial, Industrial and Institutional (CII) Task Force. The report covers several areas including water use efficiency standards and evaluating CII water use. The workshop will be Thursday, Jan. 12, in Sacramento. The California Water Plan eNews will provide links to meeting details and materials after they are developed.

### Pilot project to look at water availability for energy production

The latest edition of Western States Federal Agency Support Team (WestFAST) newsletter includes details of a pilot project on water use and water availability data. The [WestFAST News](#) says the project is part of an effort to determine water availability for energy production.

### \$1.8 million in grants being made available to restore urban waters

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is making \$1.8 million in grants available to restore urban waters. The [Urban Waters Small Grants](#) will be funding projects that improve water quality and community access. The application deadline is Monday, Jan. 23. A [web-based seminar](#) on the grants will be held Thursday, Jan. 5.



### Public comments on urban levee design criteria due by tomorrow

The deadline for submitting comments on the draft [Urban Levee Design Criteria](#) (ULDC) is Thursday, Dec. 15. The draft ULDC provides criteria and guidance for design, construction, operation, and maintenance of levees and floodwalls in urban and urbanizing areas. More information is available on the [DWR website](#). The webcast of a recent public hearing on the ULDC can be seen [here](#).

### Delta Stewardship Council fact sheet helps demystify the Delta Plan

The Delta Stewardship Council (DSC) has posted a two-page fact sheet, [Demystifying the Delta Plan](#). It includes a brief history on why a plan is in the works along with a list of the top 10 actions it is designed to accomplish. There is also a link to comment on the Delta Plan's draft environmental impact report.

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