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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.

CII Task Force, Strategic Growth Council set January meetings

Two water meetings of note this month include the [Commercial, Industrial and Institutional \(CII\) Task Force](#) on Thursday, Jan. 19, in Sacramento when it will review its final report to the Legislature. Then on Tuesday, Jan. 24, the [Strategic Growth Council](#) will meet in Sacramento to consider its strategic plan.

Board ready to receive Central Valley Flood Protection Plan

The [Central Valley Flood Protection Board](#) will receive the Central Valley Flood Protection Plan during its [meeting](#) on Friday, Jan. 27, in Sacramento. A draft version of the plan is available [here](#). The board will also outline the protocols for review and submittal of public comments on the plan.

Report suggests thinning forests in order to improve water runoff

Scientists from the University of California and the Environmental Defense Fund have [released a report](#) that says runoff from the Sierra Nevada can be enhanced by thinning forests. [Forests and Water in the Sierra Nevada: Sierra Nevada Watershed Ecosystem Enhancement Project](#) suggests runoff can be increased by selectively removing trees, which use large amounts of water.



Climate change workshop sets focus on Southern California flooding

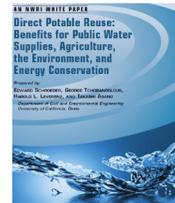
The next climate change workshop being hosted by DWR will be Tuesday, Jan. 31, in Alhambra. It will focus on how potential climate change could affect flooding in Southern California. The [agenda](#) includes a review of ongoing programs to reduce flood risk and a look at the July 2010 findings and recommendations of the [Alluvial Fan Task Force](#).

Technology provides new opportunities for reusing municipal wastewater

A new [report](#) finds there could be significant increases in the nation's water supply by using new technology to treat and reuse municipal wastewater. The National Research Council released its findings in [Water Reuse: Potential for Expanding the Nation's Water Supply through Reuse of Municipal Water](#). The report examines reuse applications, including potable water, irrigation and groundwater recharge.

Looking at DPR to help create reliable and sustainable water supplies

A [white paper](#) released by the National Water Research Institute looks at the role direct potable reuse (DPR) could have in the management of water resources. DPR introduces purified municipal wastewater into water distribution systems. The process is drawing interest because it can be a reliable and sustainable local water supply.



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