

# California Water Plan eNews

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- 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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## Wednesday's Update



## Jan. 2, 2013

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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 releases draft PSP for up to \$10.5 million in grants for desalination projects**

DWR has released a [draft proposal solicitation package](#) (PSP) in preparation for Proposition 50 grants to projects that support brackish and seawater desalination as a local water supply. As much as \$10.5 million will be awarded. [Comments](#) on the draft PSP will be accepted until Friday, Feb. 8. The final PSP is expected to be released in March.

### **Nominations being accepted for DWR's new independent technical panel**

DWR is accepting nominations for members of an independent technical panel. The panel will provide information and recommendations on improving urban water use efficiency. The goal is to submit the recommendations to the Legislature by the end of 2014. Details on the panel and submitting nominations will be posted [here](#).

### **Reclamation webinar will discuss water efficiency in Colorado River Basin**

The U.S. Bureau of Reclamation has completed a study on the supply and demand of water in the Colorado River Basin. The results will be discussed during a [free webinar](#) on Wednesday, Jan. 9. Panelists will share their views on policies and strategies to improve water efficiency in the region.

### **Nine principles to guide the adaptation of ecosystems to climate change**

A panel of scientists convened by the [Resources Legacy Fund](#) has released [Ecosystem Adaptation to Climate Change in California: Nine Guiding Principles](#). The list of principles includes setting priorities for watershed protection and management. The panel believes the principles can help maintain ecosystems even as environmental conditions change.



### **Effects of climate change on forests and rangelands to be discussed next week**

An advisory committee for the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection will meet [Thursday, Jan. 10](#), in Davis, to discuss the effects of climate change on the state's forests and rangelands. This will be the beginning of the process to develop a climate change chapter in the *2015 Forest Action Plan*. A [webcast](#) of the meeting will be available.

### **Delta Dialogues recap, talk of second phase available online**

The recap of last year's [Delta Dialogues](#) is available online. The dialogues were started by the Delta Conservancy as a way to develop relationships among stakeholders and create a shared understanding surrounding the future of the Delta. The website includes an [article](#) on the possibility of a second phase of dialogues.

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