

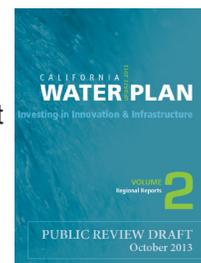
Wednesday Update**Oct. 23, 2013**

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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.

Regional reports from Water Plan's public review draft made available online

Following this morning's release, a third volume of *California Water Plan Update 2013* is available online for public review and comment. [Volume 2](#) of the Water Plan's public review draft contains 12 regional reports, including one for each of California's 10 hydrologic regions. The comment period for this volume will run through Monday, Dec. 9. A [reviewer's guide](#) is available to help with submitting comments. There is also a [navigating guide](#) to help sort through the volumes. Earlier this month, volumes 1 (The Strategic Plan) and 3 (Resource Management Strategies) were released. Each volume has a 45-day comment period. The one missing resource management strategy, Chapter 30, "Water and Culture," will be posted and available for comment this afternoon.



Next week's plenary meeting will feature discussions on all volumes of the Water Plan

There is still time to [RSVP](#) for the [Water Plan plenary meeting](#) in Sacramento next week. All volumes of the Water Plan's public review draft will be up for discussion during the [two-day meeting](#). It begins Tuesday, Oct. 29, with an address from the director of DWR, Mark Cowin. Secretary of the Natural Resources Agency, John Laird will deliver the keynote address on Wednesday, Oct. 30. The online RSVP form includes information on hotel reservations.

Group focuses on building a network dedicated to social sustainability

The first volume of the Water Plan, in chapter 5, includes a look at the environmental, economic, and social elements of sustainability. A group dedicated to the social portion of that equation is trying to create a level of awareness that matches the other sustainability issues. The [Integrated Network for Social Sustainability \(INSS\)](#) website features material based on work supported by the National Science Foundation. The INSS is looking to build a network of people interested in the social aspects of sustainability.

EPA provides free calculator to help reduce stormwater runoff

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is offering free downloads of its new [National Stormwater Calculator](#). It is a tool that provides stormwater runoff estimates for different development scenarios on a specific site. The calculator is designed to help reduce runoff from a property. Details on the program are available in the [user's guide](#) and this [facts sheet](#).

