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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.

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DAC/EJ meeting announced to craft written objective for inclusion in Update 2013

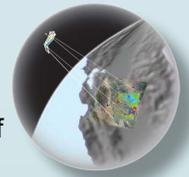
The next meeting of the Disadvantaged Community - Environmental Justice Caucus (DAC/EJ) will be on December 4, from 11 am to 2 pm at the Center for Collaborative Policy. This meeting will focus on Water Plan Objective 13 actions text. For more information and access to the webinar, click [here](#).

Update 2013 Highlights document workshop and working lunch

The Water Plan Highlights Workshop will be December 10, from 8:30 am to 3:00 pm, in Sacramento at the Center for Collaborative Policy. For registration information, agenda and webinar access, please click [here](#).

USGS documents sinking lands in the San Joaquin Valley

A look at land subsidence, or sinking, in the San Joaquin Valley is the subject of a new report from the U.S. Geologic Survey (USGS). It found that extensive groundwater pumping from valley aquifers is increasing the rate of subsidence. There is concern it could cause serious damage to state and federal water systems and local irrigation canals. An abstract of the report is available [here](#).



Sacramento River Regional Forum set for next month in Redding

The next [Sacramento River Regional Forum](#) is set for Wednesday, Dec. 11, in Redding. The [agenda](#) includes an overview of the public review draft for California Water Plan Update 2013, and finalizing information for the Sacramento River Regional Report. Online [RSVPs](#) are being accepted.

2014 Desalination grant funding (round 3)

DWR is seeking grant proposals for the 2014 Desalination Grant Funding. This is the third round of Proposition 50 funding to support projects that develop brackish and seawater desalination as a water supply. DWR has prepared a Proposal Solicitation Package (PSP) which describes the grant application process for potential applicants. Proposals are due to DWR by January 16, 2014 and are to be submitted using GRanTS. Up to \$8.7 million in Prop 50 funds will be distributed during this funding round. More information can be found [here](#).



EPA report assesses the health and vulnerability of California's watersheds

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the California Healthy Streams Partnership have released a statewide report on the status and vulnerability of watershed health. [California Integrated Assessment of Watershed Health](#) is intended to help efforts designed to protect healthy watersheds. The report provides watershed health data and information that can be used by agencies and programs handling watershed protection planning.