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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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## **DWR webinar offers information on emergency water rate structures**

A [webinar](#) to help urban water suppliers develop water shortage contingency plans will be presented by DWR on Tuesday, March 4. It will include information on developing emergency rate structures as part of the plans. A [call-in option](#) will also be available for the 90-minute webinar.

## **California and Nevada water rate survey results being made available by AWWA**

Results of a 2013 water rate survey are being made available by the California-Nevada Section of the American Water Works Association (AWWA). The survey provides some comparisons regarding bill frequency, rate structure and user charges. The information came from 217 water service providers in California and 14 in Nevada. The report can be purchased on the [AWWA Web site](#).

## **Water is on the agenda for next U.S. Forest Service dialog**

A [series of dialogs](#) hosted by the U.S. Forestry Service will turn its attention to water tomorrow, Feb. 27, in Sacramento. The [dialog session](#) will cover ecological needs, conservation measures and recreational uses of water as they apply to national forests in the Sierra Nevada and Cascades regions.



## **Reclamation report looks at potential for new San Joaquin River dam**

The Bureau of Reclamation has released a [draft report](#) on the potential for construction of a new dam and reservoir on the upper San Joaquin River. The potential dam site is about 25 miles northeast of Fresno. Details, including instructions for submitting comments on the draft report, are available in this [news release](#).

## **Panel provides SWRCB with ideas on inflow criteria for the Delta**

The State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) is updating policies for water flow objectives into the Delta. An independent panel organized by the Delta Stewardship Council's Delta Science Program has provided some recommendations to the SWRCB. They are in the panel's report, [Recommendations for Determining Regional Instream Flow Criteria for Primary Tributaries to the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta](#).



## **Wildlife conservation board posts draft of five-year strategic plan**

A [draft strategic plan](#) has been posted by the California Wildlife Conservation Board (WCB). It provides a framework for the board's mission, goals and vision during the next five years. The WCB works to conserve wildlife resources, provide public recreation, and implement legislative and voter-approved conservation programs.