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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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Documentary looks at the quest for safe drinking water in the Inyo-Mono region

A documentary looking at the water resources of disadvantaged communities has been released by the Inyo-Mono Regional Integrated Water Management Program. [Living in the Rain Shadow](#)



[in the Rain Shadow](#) explores some of the difficulties, and the search for solutions, in communities without reliable and safe drinking water. The 24-minute documentary premiered earlier this week at a [American Water Resources Association](#) conference in Reno.

Economic impacts of climate change detailed in Risky Business Project report

[The Risky Business Project](#) has released a bipartisan report on the [economic consequences of climate change](#). It breaks down the potential consequences for each region of the United States. The report also spells out a list of actions that could mitigate future impacts of climate change.

Water sessions to be included at international infrastructure conference

This year's [International Conference on Sustainable Infrastructure](#) will include sessions on water issues. The program has a presentation on the effects of climate change on water supply reliability, and a session on how water resources are being handled across the country. The conference will be November 6-8, in Long Beach. It is hosted by the [American Society of Civil Engineers](#).

Desalination grant recommendations up for comment at July 9 meeting

DWR has released its list of funding recommendations for the third round of Proposition 50 desalination grants. A public meeting to take comments on the recommendations will be held Wednesday, July 9, in Sacramento. Meeting details, and instructions for submitting written comments, are available [here](#).

Floodplain management conference set for September in Santa Clara

The [Floodplain Management Association](#) has set its annual conference for Sept. 2-5, in Santa Clara. This year's theme is "Keeping Our Heads Above Water." A preliminary [conference program](#) is available.

Strategic Growth Council awarding more than \$40 million in grants

The California Strategic Growth Council is awarding more than [\\$40 million in grants](#) to communities and agencies across the state. Of the total, \$16 million is through the Sustainable Communities Planning Grant and Incentives Program which is aimed at reducing greenhouse gas emissions. The rest of the funding was awarded through the Urban Greening Grant Program to enhance community green areas such as wetlands and gardens. Links to the lists of grant recipients are available [here](#).