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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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Legislature receives CII report on water use best management practices

The Commercial, Industrial and Institutional (CII) Task Force has sent the Legislature a [report on best management practices](#) covering water use in California's CII sectors. Water use efficiency and increased recycled water use are among the issues addressed. Links to supporting materials, including the executive summary and the volume containing technical information, are available [here](#).

Multiple scenarios worth considering for natural resource planning

The Wildlife Conservation Society and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service have put together a [guide on considering multiple scenarios](#) when it comes to natural resource planning. The approach includes a number of concepts intended to help conservation professionals consider multiple possibilities in their management strategies.

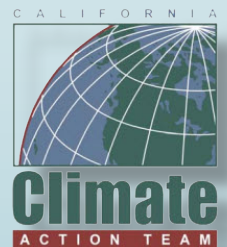


NASA's satellite images offer insight to drought impacts

A comprehensive analysis of the drought impacts on California's ecosystems is available through a NASA online toolkit. [Drought Assessment and Response Tools](#) provide information based on satellite image analysis. The images offer information on vegetation cover, soil moisture, and other water resource data.

Climate action team opens draft research plan to public comment

The California Climate Action Team is accepting public comments on its [draft climate change research plan](#). The plan introduces strategies for reducing greenhouse gas emissions, and it looks at ways to integrate science into planning strategies. Details, and an address for submitting comments, are available [here](#). The comment deadline is Friday, Sept. 5.



PPIC one-page fact sheet provides a picture of California's water use

The Public Policy Institute of California (PPIC) has put together a [one-page fact sheet](#) detailing the state's water use. It provides an outline of how California's water is allocated. There is also a graphic showing the amount of water each region uses to meet environmental, agricultural, and urban needs.

Research foundation adds IWM to list of water focus areas

The Water Research Foundation has added integrated water management (IWM) to its list of [focus areas](#). The foundation is going to look at IWM as a way to plan for future water supplies. An [online survey](#) is being used to gather input on the research agenda and objectives for this focus area. Survey responses are requested by Friday, Aug. 8.

