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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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Implementation report provides update on first year of the Water Action Plan

A year after the release of Governor Brown's [Water Action Plan](#), the California Natural Resources Agency has posted the plan's [implementation report](#). It highlights the Action Plan's achievements of the past 12 months and outlines activities to be carried out during the next four years. The Action Plan was developed to improve agency alignment and sustainable water management in California.



Online survey available to help set agenda for water management conference

DWR and the [Water Education Foundation](#) are conducting an [online survey](#) of potential topics for an upcoming conference on integrated regional water management. The conference will be May 21 and 22, in San Diego. More details will be released in the coming weeks. The survey closes Wednesday, Feb. 11.

UWMP guidebook committee meeting next week in Los Angeles

The [next meeting](#) of the 2015 Urban Water Management Plan (UWMP) Guidebook Advisory Committee will be Wednesday, Feb. 11, in Los Angeles. [The committee](#) will discuss the draft Chapter 7: Water Shortage Contingency Plans. July 1 is the target date for the release of the updated guidebook.

Climate change tops the agenda of Bay Area flood protection conference

Adapting to climate change will be one of the topics discussed at this month's conference of the [Bay Area Flood Protection Agencies Association](#).



There will also be a presentation on mapping and data tools, along with an agency alignment roundtable. The conference will be Thursday, Feb. 19, in Oakland.

Water rights report looks for ways to improve enforcement during droughts

A report detailing some findings about California's [water rights system](#) has been published by the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB). It looks at ways to improve the way the system is enforced during drought years. A [news release](#) is available on the SWRCB Web site.

Grant applications being accepted for water recycling and reuse projects

The U.S. Bureau of Reclamation is [accepting grant applications](#) for projects using water recycling and water reuse technologies. An estimated \$1.3 million may be awarded this year as part of the Department of the Interior's [WaterSMART](#) initiative. The application deadline is March 3.



Schedule set for series of six funding fairs throughout California

The schedule has been set for this year's series of [funding fairs](#) throughout California. The free events, conducted by the [California Financing Coordinating Committee](#), offer information about grant and loan programs available for infrastructure projects. The first of the six fairs will be Thursday, April 2, in San Diego.