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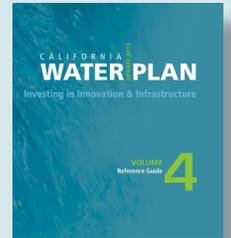
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More than 150 articles made available as Volume 4 of Update 2013 is posted online

[Volume 4](#) has been added to the online publication of [California Water Plan Update 2013](#). It is a reference guide that includes more than 150 articles used in the preparation of Update 2013. The articles have been divided into more than 20 categories including climate change, drought, and water quality. Other reference material will be added as it becomes available.



Recommendations for ensuring all Californians have safe water, sanitation

One of the articles posted as part of the Volume 4 release is [Californians Without Safe Water and Sanitation](#). It covers the state with a focus on small communities with water problems. The article provides 14 recommendations for ensuring all Californians have safe drinking water and adequate sanitation facilities.

Water board debuts newsletter for small community water issues

The [first edition of a newsletter](#) dedicated to small community water needs is available online. It is the production of the State Water Resources Control Board section that deals with water issues in small and disadvantaged communities. The issue includes information on technical assistance. It is also available in [Spanish](#).

Discussion of project contingency plans in the face of a continuing drought

The [potential impact](#) of another dry water year on California's water project operations will be discussed Thursday, March 19, in Fresno. The [day-long briefing](#) will cover some of the action being taken to respond to those impacts, including drought contingency plans for the Central Valley Project and the State Water Project.

Drought theme chosen for annual California Water Policy Conference

"Beyond Drought Tolerant" is the theme of this year's [California Water Policy Conference](#). The two-day conference will be March 19 and 20, in Claremont. It will include agricultural, urban, and environmental representatives discussing the state's current water policy issues.



Delta risks and challenges up for discussion during science program workshop

[A workshop](#) to look at the risks and challenges facing the Delta will be held Monday, March 16, in Sacramento. The Delta Stewardship Council's [Delta Science Program](#) is hosting the event. Topics to be discussed include water supply reliability, risks to people and property, and economics.

California transportation plan will include elements of environmental stewardship

This month, [Caltrans](#) will hold [seven workshops](#) and a webinar to get input on the [draft California Transportation Plan 2040](#). It outlines transportation goals and policies, which include practicing environmental stewardship during the process. The webinar will be tomorrow, March 5, followed by the first workshop Tuesday, March 10, in Sacramento.