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**Wednesday Update****April 1, 2015**

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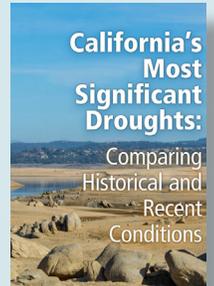
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### **Comparing the current drought with others in California history**

California is in the midst of a significant drought, but how does it compare to other droughts in the state's history? DWR set out to answer that question with the new report, [California's Most Significant Droughts: Comparing Historical and Recent Conditions](#). It was developed in response to questions about the current drought's relative severity. The report looks back as far as the six-year drought of 1929-34.

#### **California's Most Significant Droughts:**

Comparing Historical and Recent Conditions



### **Two Update 2013 presentations to be made in Japan this month**

Presentations on [California Water Plan Update 2013](#) will be made at two seminars in Japan this month. Kamyar Guivetchi, manager of DWR's Division of Statewide Integrated Water Management will be speaking in [Kyoto on April 2](#), and in [Tokyo on April 6](#). He will discuss the roadmap for integrated water management which is featured in [Volume 1, Chapter 8](#) of Update 2013.

### **DWR schedules listening sessions to discuss emergency regulations**

DWR has scheduled a series of [public listening sessions](#) to discuss emergency regulations on groundwater basin boundary revisions under the [Sustainable Groundwater Management Act](#). The first session will be Tuesday, April 28, in Willows. Others will be held in Visalia and San Bernardino. The last session will be a webinar on Friday, May 1. [Online registration](#) is available.

### **Land subsidence brown bag seminar set for April 20**

The [Delta Science Program](#) will present a [brown bag seminar](#) this month on the causes and consequences of land subsidence. Michelle Sneed, a hydrologist with the U.S. Geological Survey, will present information from case studies in the San Joaquin Valley, the Coachella Valley, and the Mojave Desert. The seminar will be Monday, April 20, in Sacramento.

### **High-impact science actions for the Delta to be discussed at public briefing**

A [public briefing](#) to introduce a list of potential high-impact science actions in the Delta, will be held Wednesday, April 8, in Sacramento. [The draft list](#) was put together by the Delta Agency Science workgroup and the Delta Science Program. Only actions that provide multiple benefits and could be implemented within two years were put on the list. Public comments will be accepted at the briefing.