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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.

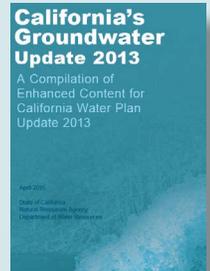
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Two more regional chapters released as part of California's Groundwater Update 2013

Two more regional chapters have been posted as part of [California's Groundwater Update 2013](#). [Central Coast](#) and [San Joaquin River](#) join [Tulare Lake](#) as the first three hydrologic region chapters to be released. A [webinar](#) to discuss all three chapters will be held Thursday, June 4. The seven other regional chapters will be released in the weeks to come. Webinars for those chapters will be held July 27 and Aug. 26.



Report on California's water storage offers ideas for improvement

A report on [water storage recommendations](#) has been released by the Association of California Water Agencies. It calls for the development of more fully integrated statewide and regional management systems. The [recommendations](#) include additional surface storage, increased utilization of groundwater storage, and more flexible regulatory approaches. There are also recommendations to the California Water Commission on implementing the [Proposition 1 Water Storage Investment Program](#).

Exploring the possibilities for resolving groundwater disputes in California

A [new report](#) from Stanford University's [Water in the West](#) explores ideas for preventing or resolving potential groundwater disputes in California. The report looks at conflicts that may arise from the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act of 2014. There is also a list of findings, including clarifying groundwater property rights, that could resolve problems.



Ag committee to discuss changes for water management guidebook

DWR's [Agricultural Stakeholders Committee](#) will meet Thursday, June 4, in Sacramento. The agenda includes changes made to the draft 2015 Agricultural Water Management Guidebook following the governor's April 1 executive order. A webinar option is provided on the [agenda](#).

Grant applications being accepted for ag irrigation projects

The [California Department of Food and Agriculture](#) is accepting applications for grant funding under the [State Water Efficiency and Enhancement Program \(SWEET\)](#). The funding is for implementing irrigation systems that reduce greenhouse gases and save water on California agricultural operations. Up to \$150,000 per project is available. Applications are due Monday, June 29.



Office of Sustainable Water Solutions highlights projects in small communities

The Office of Sustainable Water Solutions has released the latest edition of its [small community newsletter](#). The edition has highlights of funded projects, including a successful drinking water consolidation at a Kern County school and a groundbreaking for a wastewater project. A [Spanish version](#) of the newsletter is available.