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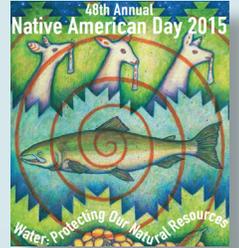


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This weekly electronic newsletter is designed to keep you current on California Water Plan news. We welcome comments, suggestions and any news tips that may be of interest to water planners.

Celebrating California Native American Day with a water theme

With the theme, "Water: Protecting Our Natural Resources," [California Native American Day](#) will be celebrated Friday, Sept. 25, at the State Capitol. The Northern California Tribal Chairmen's Association is serving as the tribal host nation. Cultural arts practitioners will share their knowledge regarding cultural practices and indigenous California languages.



Funding information available in Office of Sustainable Water Solutions newsletter

The latest newsletter from the [Office of Sustainable Water Solutions](#) offers information on funding for California's small drinking water systems, wastewater systems, and disadvantaged communities. It also has the story of 25 homeowners in Sonoma County who came together to improve the water quality and reliability for their families. A [Spanish](#) version of the newsletter is available.

Wild and Scenic Rivers will be part of next month's Sierra Cascades dialog

Study requirements for the Wild and Scenic Rivers study are on the agenda for the next [Sierra Cascades dialog](#) hosted by the U.S. Forest Service. The dialog will be Thursday, Oct. 15, in Sacramento. A satellite location will be set up in Bishop.

Sustainable Groundwater Management Act gets center stage at regulatory summit

This year's [Association of California Water Agencies Regulatory Summit](#) will focus on the first year of the [Sustainable Groundwater Management Act](#) (SGMA). The [agenda](#) includes a look at SGMA regulations, and coordinating land use planning with SGMA implementation. The summit will be Wednesday, Oct. 14, in Ontario.

Scientists group sets sights on objectives for sustainable groundwater management

The [Union of Concerned Scientists](#) has released a [SGMA report](#) that focuses on setting objectives to achieve sustainable groundwater management. It is designed to inform state regulators on ways to measure sustainability and to determine whether progress is being made. There is also a [blog](#) where the report's findings and significance can be discussed.



Water conservationist brings his perspective to a California campus

A [world-renowned water conservationist](#) will talk about his novel approach to water resilience, tomorrow, Sept. 24, at California State University, Northridge. Rajendra Singh promotes the idea that community engagement and activism can provide water for those who need it. Singh has done most of his work in villages in India.

Coalition asks to imagine what it would be like to spend a day without water

Try to imagine what it would be like to spend a day without water. The [Value of Water Coalition](#) is using that idea to build awareness for investment in water. To make the point, the coalition is behind a series of events that are scheduled for Oct. 6-8.