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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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CWC adopts groundwater basin boundary regulations, DWR to accept requests Jan. 1

The California Water Commission (CWC) has [adopted regulations](#) to create a process for local agencies to modify groundwater basin or subbasin boundaries. On Jan. 1, DWR will begin accepting local agency requests for basin boundary modifications. [The regulations](#) are being prepared for delivery to the Office of Administrative Law for final processing.



A lesson on how models and data fit into the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act

The Groundwater Resources Association of California is offering a [two-day workshop](#) on the roles models and data will play in meeting the [Sustainable Groundwater Management Act](#). The topics will include development and implementation of groundwater sustainability plans. The workshop will be Feb. 8 and 9, in Davis.

New mapping tool will help identify economically distressed areas in California

DWR has released the final version of a [mapping tool](#) for economically distressed areas of California. The tool will assist in determining whether an area qualifies as economically distressed under the Water Quality, Supply and Infrastructure Improvement Act of 2014, also known as [Proposition 1](#). Instructions and other details about the tool are available on the [DWR website](#).



Delta Plan performance measures to be discussed during public workshop

The Delta Stewardship Council has scheduled a [public workshop](#) to review the latest recommendations for refining the performance measures in the [Delta Plan](#). The recommendations cover measures related to reliable water supply, ecosystem restoration, and water quality. The workshop will be Monday, Nov. 9, in Sacramento.

Levee program accepting public comments on draft list of approved projects

Public comments are being accepted for the [draft list of approved projects](#) released by the [Local Levee Assistance Program](#) (LLAP). This year, 13 applications were submitted, requesting a total of more than \$15 million. They have been reviewed and ranked according to LLAP guidelines. The comment deadline is Saturday, Nov. 21.

Climate-smart conservation workshop set for next month in San Diego

A one-day class providing an overview of [climate-smart conservation](#) is being offered Friday, Nov. 6, in San Diego. The course material is based on the guide [Climate-Smart Conservation: Putting Adaptation Principles into Practice](#). The information is designed for conservation practitioners, planners and natural resource managers.

Local Government Commission posts updated version of The Ahwahnee Water Principles

An updated version of [The Ahwahnee Water Principles: A Blueprint for Regional Sustainability](#), has been posted online. The guidebook from the [Local Government Commission](#) offers information on federal and state laws that affect local government. The updated information addresses changes in municipal storm sewer permit requirements. A [fact sheet](#) on the changes is also available.