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Wednesday Update**Dec. 16, 2015**

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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Updated urban water management plan website offers access to population tool

An update to the [2015 Urban Water Management Plan website](#) includes a link to the new [DWR Population Tool](#). It provides water suppliers with a way to calculate their historical population by using electronic maps and U.S. Census Bureau data. Registration is required to access the tool.



Drought technical assistance being made available to California's tribal governments

The California Rural Water Association is offering drought technical assistance to tribal governments. The details are explained in a [flier](#) posted by the association. The services include leak detection surveys on water distribution systems. The technical assistance is one part of the association's [tribal program](#).

Water 101 workshop covers the basics of issue past and present

A [two-day workshop](#) presented by the Water Education Foundation will be offering a lesson in California's water basics. [Water 101](#) will cover some of the state's water history along with discussion of current issues—including the drought, groundwater management, El Nino, and the 2014 water bond. The workshop will be Thursday and Friday, Feb. 4 and 5, in West Sacramento.

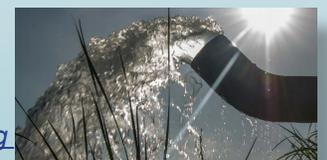


Basin boundary modification requests to be discussed during tomorrow's webinar

Details on the new [basin boundary modification request procedures](#) will be discussed during a [DWR webinar](#), tomorrow, Dec. 17. The [emergency basin boundary regulations](#) took effect last month. Beginning on Jan. 1, local agencies will be able to submit requests to modify the boundaries of basins and subbasins.

Looking at what it will take to achieve groundwater sustainability in one valley area

A report funded by the [California Water Foundation](#) looks at the reduction in groundwater uses that would be needed to create a sustainable situation in a portion of the Central Valley. [Transitioning to Sustainability: Modeling Groundwater Sustainability in the Kings-Tulare Lake Region](#) evaluates the effects of reduced groundwater use on the area's hydrologic, socio-economic, and environmental conditions.



Save the dates for next year's international groundwater conference

Save the dates for next year's [international groundwater conference](#) in Burlingame. It will be June 28-30. The conference will focus on the latest scientific, management, and policy advances for sustaining groundwater resources in agricultural regions. This will be the second international groundwater conference. The first was held in 2010.

