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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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### **International groundwater conference will focus on nitrate contamination**

The challenges presented by nitrate contamination in groundwater will be discussed at an [international conference](#) in Burlingame. The threats from nitrate pollution make it one of the top water quality issues around the world. The three-day conference will look at the challenges and potential solutions to protect groundwater quality. The conference runs June 28-30.

### **STORMS sets new date for seminar on groundwater recharge**

A new date has been set for the [groundwater recharge seminar](#) being sponsored by the Strategy to Optimize Resource Management of Storm Water (STORMS). It will be Friday, July 8, in Sacramento. The discussion will center on using deep infiltration and drywells for groundwater recharge. The seminar had originally been scheduled for May 27.



### **SWAMP newsletter details pilot study of CECs in California waterways**

Details on a pilot study of contaminants of emerging concern (CECs) are included in the [spring edition](#) of the Surface Water Ambient Monitoring Program's (SWAMP's) newsletter. The study will investigate the CECs potential to cause toxicity, to both aquatic life and people. The newsletter also has a recap of the April data fair hosted by the State Water Board.

### **Growth council offering workshops to introduce fiscal impact analysis**

The [California Strategic Growth Council](#) is hosting a [series of workshops](#) to introduce local governments to the process of [fiscal impact analysis](#). It is a method of evaluating fiscal obligations related to proposed land use changes. The information is in support of the Proposition 84 Sustainable Communities Planning Grant Program. The first workshop will be Thursday, June 16, in Oakland. Other workshops will be held in Merced and Riverside.

### **CCST Spotlight makes its debut with article on NASA-funded student program**

The California Council on Science and Technology (CCST) has added a newsletter to its list of publications. The inaugural issue of [CCST Spotlight](#) features an article on a NASA-funded program for California college students. DWR collaborated with CCST to develop the [science and technology objective](#) of [California Water Plan Update 2013](#). Some of the actions in that objective came from CCST's [roadmap to a sustainable water future](#).



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### **Comments being accepted on draft management plans for three national forests**

The U.S. Forest Service has posted [draft management plans](#) for the Inyo, Sequoia, and Sierra National forests. The postings include draft environmental impact statements. The plans are being updated to meet current economic, social and ecological conditions. The [90-day comment period](#) runs through August 25.