

INTEGRATE

ALIGN

INVEST

Wednesday Update*July 20, 2016*

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.

WATER PLAN

CALENDAR

COMMENTS /
SUGGESTIONSSUBSCRIBE /
UNSUBSCRIBE

Survey collecting ideas for Sustainable Groundwater Management Act BMPs

DWR is accepting public input on developing [best management practices](#) (BMPs) related to the [Sustainable Groundwater Management Act](#). A [survey](#) has been set up to collect responses to list of potential BMPs. It is part of a process to develop a [BMP framework](#). Survey responses will be accepted through July 31.

CASGEM report updates effort to monitor state's groundwater basins

Details on the effort to track California groundwater are available in a [report from DWR](#) and the [California Statewide Groundwater Elevation Monitoring](#) (CASGEM) Program. Under the program, groundwater monitoring has been expanded to 94 percent of the state's high- and medium-priority groundwater basins. The data are used to determine groundwater-level trends and the effectiveness of management measures.



Groundwater report finds a number of problems with data collection

A recent survey of California groundwater professionals has turned up a variety of shortcomings in groundwater data collection and use. The findings are in a report is posted on Stanford University's [Water in the West website](#). Links to a [policy brief](#), a video, and contacts for more information are also available on the site.

SGC posts report covering updates and achievements during the past year

The [Strategic Growth Council](#) (SGC) has posted its [annual report](#) to the Legislature. It includes updates on the SGC's programs and initiatives. There is also a recap of achievements during the last year, including proposing the Transformational Climate Communities program that would support actions to reduce greenhouse gas emissions in disadvantaged communities.

Webinar will discuss updated version of the Water Conservation Tracking Tool

The Alliance for Water Efficiency will hold a [webinar](#) on July 28, to discuss the updated version of its [Water Conservation Tracking Tool](#). The tool can be used for planning water conservation programs. It can help evaluate the savings and benefits for a variety of strategies.



Delta levee investment and flood protection on next week's DSC agenda

The [next meeting](#) of the [Delta Stewardship Council](#) (DSC) will be held in Sacramento on Thursday, July 28. DSC staff will present an update on the Delta Levee Investment Strategy, and the council will receive an overview on the development of the Central Valley Flood Protection Plan update.