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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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**DWR offers online survey
to get public input
on redesigning website**

Here is a chance to help DWR redesign its [website](#). The department is conducting an [online survey](#) to find out how people are using the website, and what could be done to improve it. The survey provides an opportunity to suggest the information or features you would like to see as part of the new website.

**15 IRWM proposals chosen
to receive a total of
\$4.2 million in funding**

DWR has awarded a total of almost \$4.2 million to [15 proposals](#) for updating or developing integrated regional water management (IRWM) plans. The funding comes from the [Proposition 1 IRWM Planning Grants](#). The grant program funds projects and programs that support integrated water management.



**Applications being
accepted for agricultural
irrigation project grants**

The California Department of Food and Agriculture is accepting [applications for grants](#) that will go to irrigation systems that reduce greenhouse gases and save water. Approximately \$3.75 million in funding will be awarded, with as much as \$100,000 available for each project. The funding will be administered by the [State Water Efficiency and Enhancement Program](#).

**2017 CFCC funding
fair schedule opens
April 5 in Sacramento**

The [California Financing Coordinating Committee](#) (CFCC) has released the schedule for [six funding fairs](#) in 2017. Each one will provide information on infrastructure grant, loan, and bond financing options. The first fair is Wednesday, April 5, in Sacramento.

**Graywater cost-benefit
questions to be
discussed during webinar**

Questions surrounding the handling of [graywater](#) will be discussed during a [webinar](#) sponsored by the Alliance for Water Efficiency. The presentation will provide information that can help utilities analyze the cost-benefit of single-family graywater reuse systems. The webinar will be Thursday, Feb. 16.

**Water commission agenda
includes two updates
on pending regulations**

An update on the development of regulations for [validation of water loss audits](#) will be part of the next [California Water Commission meeting](#). It will be Wednesday, Feb. 15, in Sacramento. There will also be a briefing on the timeline for the Office of Administrative Law's review of the [Water Storage Investment Program regulations](#).

**The success of Texas
water planning detailed in
new water journal report**

[A report](#) on the success of water planning in Texas has been posted by the [Texas Water Journal](#). It describes some of the achievements that have occurred since 1997 when the Texas Legislature passed a bill that established a regional approach to planning, and changed the way the state develops its water plans.

