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Applications being accepted to fund public benefits of water storage projects

The California Water Commission is accepting applications to fund public benefits of water storage projects. Details are available in this [news release](#). The California Office of Administrative Law recently approved the regulations for the [Water Storage Investment Program](#), clearing the way for applications to be accepted through Aug. 14.

Technical memo and appendices released for Central Valley flood plan

The Central Valley Flood Protection Board has released a draft [technical memorandum](#) and [appendices](#) for the Central Valley Flood Protection Plan Investment Strategy. They were developed to identify recommendations to fund the 2017 refined system-wide investment approach portfolio. [Public comments](#) on the draft memorandum will be accepted through Friday, March 31.

Climate change resolution passed by State Water Resources Control Board

A [resolution passed](#) by the [State Water Resources Control Board](#) will require all board actions to take a proactive approach to climate change. Among other things, the resolution calls for tracking and reporting on actions to reduce greenhouse gases.



The [new resolution](#) is the latest climate change action by State and regional water boards that dates back to their [initial 2007 resolution](#).

\$20 million approved for California streamflow enhancement projects

The [California Wildlife Conservation Board](#) has [approved funding](#) for 24 projects that will provide streamflow enhancement in the state. A total of almost \$20 million will fund projects that will bolster resilience to climate change, or enhance the amount of water available for anadromous fish and at-risk species. The list of projects is available on the [agenda](#) of this month's board meeting.

Project proposals for wetlands enhancement funding are due this week

The [National Fish and Wildlife Foundation](#) is accepting funding proposals for projects that establish, enhance, or restore wetlands. Details are available in this [news release](#). The deadline for pre-proposal application forms is Friday, March 17.

Data portal to be featured at next SRWP committee meeting

The next meeting of the Sacramento River Watershed Program's (SRWP's) Monitoring Committee will feature an update of the SRWP's [data portal](#).



There will be a review of the portal's content and format, and a discussion on the user's experience. The meeting will be [Tuesday, April 18](#), in West Sacramento.

UC Davis to host Rustici Rangeland Science Symposium next week

This year's [Rustici Rangeland Science Symposium](#) will be March 23 and 24 at UC Davis. It is an opportunity for ranchers, researchers, and policymakers to come together on plans for sustainable rangelands. The topics will include sustaining water resources, enhancing profitability, and conserving habitat.