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Drought lessons on agenda for tomorrow's Delta Stewardship Council meeting

Lessons from the recent drought will be discussed at the next [Delta Stewardship Council meeting](#), tomorrow, Oct. 26, in Sacramento. Representatives from the Governor's Office of Emergency Services and the State Water Resources Control Board will update the council on recent drought reports. There will also be a separate presentation on the impacts to fish and the environment during Water Year 2017.

Biodiversity council updates agenda for next month's meeting and field trip

An [updated agenda](#) has been posted for the California Biodiversity Council's [fall meeting and field trip](#) on Nov. 13 and 14, near Hollister. Under the theme of Mainstreaming the Integrated Regional Conservation and Development Program, the schedule will include visits to conservation project sites. The [registration](#) (click on CA Biodiversity Council link) deadline is Friday, Nov. 3.



California Biodiversity Council

\$86.3 million in funding available for groundwater sustainability plan projects

Applications are being accepted for funding from the [Sustainable Groundwater Planning Grant Program](#). The available funding includes has [\\$86.3 million](#) for the planning, development, or preparation of groundwater sustainability plans. At least \$10 million of that amount will be made available to projects that serve [severely disadvantaged communities](#). The application deadline is Nov. 13.

Groundwater and watershed hydrology information offered at two-day course next month

A course on [groundwater and watershed hydrology](#) is being offered by the Groundwater Resources Association of California on Nov. 14 and 15, in Davis. The principles of monitoring, assessing and sustainably managing those water resources will be covered during the course. There will be an emphasis on the development of [groundwater sustainability plans](#), along with a review of current government programs dealing with groundwater.

PPIC planning a day of panel discussions on California's water priorities

The Public Policy Institute of California (PPIC) is set to host a [one-day event](#) on the California's water policy priorities for the coming year. It will be held tomorrow, Oct. 26, in Sacramento. A [webcast](#) of the event will be available. Panel discussions will cover legislative priorities, improving ecosystem partnerships, and the future of the Colorado River and the Delta.

Sea-level rise webinar looks at predicting impacts to wetlands

A model used to predict the impacts of sea-level rise on wetlands will be presented during a [webinar](#) on Tuesday, Oct. 31. The model has been applied to approximately 100 wetlands along the Southern California coast. It quantifies wetland habitat conversion related to sea-level rise by predicting changes in land elevation. The process can be used for measuring regional effects.

