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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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Sustainable management BMPs will be introduced at three public meetings

DWR will hold three public meetings to introduce its best management practices (BMPs) for fulfilling the requirements of the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA). The draft [Sustainable Management Criteria](#) also describes BMPs for meeting groundwater sustainability plan regulations. The meetings will be Dec. 11, in [Rancho Cordova](#); Dec. 12, in [Visalia](#); and Dec. 13, in [Santa Ana](#). The [comment deadline](#) is Jan. 9

Conservation board approves \$2.6 million in funding for fish and wildlife projects

The [Wildlife Conservation Board](#) has approved approximately [\\$2.6 million in funding](#) for fish and wildlife habitat projects throughout California. The funding comes from voter-approved bond measures to preserve and protect California's natural resources.

Funding available for watershed project proposals submitted to Reclamation

Project proposals [are being accepted](#) by the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation for funding under a watershed restoration program. The funding is available to projects for developing, designing, or completing watershed-related activities. Selected projects can receive as much as \$50,000 per year for two years. Proposals must be submitted by Jan. 31.



California Water Commission sets two-day meeting for next week in Sacramento

A [two-day meeting](#) for the [California Water Commission](#) is set for Dec. 13 and 14, in Sacramento. On the first day, commissioners will hear presentations from applicants to the [Water Storage Investment Program](#). Day two will include an update on SGMA.

Online survey will help identify electricity-saving technologies for California

The [California Energy Commission](#) is [developing a roadmap](#) for advancing technologies in the state's industrial, agricultural, and water sectors. Part of that process is an [online survey](#) to evaluate electricity-saving technologies for California's water sector. The survey includes a section to suggest technologies for consideration.



Water federation posts fact sheet on benefits of infrastructure rating system

A [fact sheet](#), posted by the [Water Environment Federation](#), explains the benefits of using the [Envision Sustainable Infrastructure Rating System](#) to evaluate water infrastructure projects. The system takes social, economic, and environmental criteria into account when considering a project. The fact sheet includes case studies of projects that used of the rating system.

How the Chesapeake Bay watershed is preparing to deal with climate change

After conducting dozens of interviews, researchers have [published a report](#) on activities related to the resilience and adaptation to climate change in the [Chesapeake Bay watershed](#). In addition to the changes in rainfall and streamflow, the report also looked at potential problems that could develop with transportation networks.