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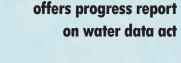
This weekly electronic newsletter is designed to keep you current on California Water Plan news. We welcome comments, suggestions, and any news tips that may be of interest to water planners.

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Implementation journal

An <u>implementation journal</u> on meeting the goals of the 2016 <u>Open and</u> <u>Transparent Water Data Act</u> (Assembly Bill 1755) is available online. The journal offers a summary of the implementation strategy and accomplishments toward



meeting this month's legislative milestones, including making federal data available. The act calls for the operation of an integrated water data platform and for protocols on sharing the data.

Save the dates for tribal virtual data academy and conference this fall Save the dates this fall for the <u>Virtual Data Academy and Conference</u> that will aim to expand tribal capacity for environmental data sharing. The conference will run Oct. 26–30, and will be followed the next week by the data academy that runs Nov. 3–13. They will provide informational sessions and interactive workshops, along with an overview of resources available from the Exchange Network.

Draft grant PSP released for groundwater sustainability plan projects

<u>Public comments</u> are being accepted on DWR's draft <u>grant proposal solicitation package</u> (PSP) for projects that implement groundwater sustainability plans. The funding is available through the sustainable <u>Groundwater Management Grant Program</u>. An online <u>workshop</u> to discuss the PSP will be held Thursday, Sept. 3.

SGC issues annual report with updates and accomplishments

The <u>Strategic Growth Council</u> (SGC) has released its <u>annual report</u>, detailing the work done on developing healthy, thriving, resilient communities. It includes updates on regional climate collaboratives and details on \$664 million invested in innovative projects and planning in California communities.

Urban Water Institute presentation will feature two water policy reps A <u>presentation</u> by the <u>Urban Water Institute</u> on Wednesday, Aug. 19, will feature a discussion with two influential water policy representatives. Felicia Marcus, former chair of the California State Water Boards, and Pat Mulroy, former general manager of the Southern Nevada Water Authority, will offer their insight about taking water policies in new directions.

University of California set to begin forest stewardship workshops this month

The University of California will be hosting a series of <u>online forest</u> <u>stewardship workshops</u> beginning Aug. 24. They are designed to help landowners improve and protect their forest lands in a sustainable manner. The in-person portion of the workshop is scheduled for November, but depending on gathering restrictions, it may be changed to an online format.

Summit on funding for San Joaquin Valley water infrastructure A three-day public summit on <u>funding water infrastructure for the San Joaquin Valley</u> will be held next week, Aug. 11–13. The discussion will center on strategies to finance investments in water infrastructure to reduce the economic losses in agricultural. The registration deadline is Monday, Aug. 10.