



# CALIFORNIA WATER PLAN eNEWS

## Wednesday Update



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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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### **Crowfoot's 30x30 keynote address at Esri User Conference available on video**

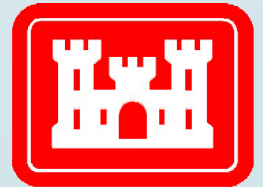
California Natural Resources Agency (CNRA) Secretary Wade Crowfoot delivered a keynote address during this month's [Esri User Conference](#). His presentation on California's 30x30 initiative is available on [video](#). CNRA is working with Esri to develop tools that use authoritative data to track the State's efforts toward achieving the goal of protecting 30 percent of the land and coastal waters by 2030.

### **Manage aquifer recharge overview to be presented at next Lunch-MAR meeting**

DWR's [Flood-Managed Aquifer Recharge \(Flood-MAR\) program](#) will feature an overview of moving a managed aquifer recharge project from concept to completion during the next [Lunch-MAR meeting](#). The topics will include working with landowners and finding recharge water sources. The meeting will be Wednesday, Aug. 4.

### **USACE to host webinar series on equity gap in flood resilience**

Beginning next month, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) will begin a webinar series on bridging the equity gap when it comes to flood resilience. The [first webinar](#), on Wednesday, Aug. 4, will explore the intersection of environmental justice with flooding. It will include environmental justice history at USACE.



### **DWR workshop will offer grant and assistance information to underrepresented communities**

Technical assistance and grant opportunities for underrepresented communities will be discussed during a [DWR workshop](#) on Tuesday, Aug. 3. The information is intended for disadvantaged communities and Native American Tribes. The Governor's Office of Emergency Services and the USACE will also be sharing grant details.

### **Report says eligibility methods cause rural areas to lose infrastructure funding**

A [new report](#) finds that rural communities are missing out on infrastructure funding because of inadequate eligibility methods used by State agencies. As an example, areas in mountain counties with lake shore or golf course developments can mask the poverty of nearby communities. The report was done by the [Sierra Water Workgroup](#) and the [Sierra Institute for Community and Environment](#).

### **Proposed restoration project requirements open to public comment**

[Written comments are being accepted](#) by the State Water Resources Control Board on the proposed water quality certification and waste discharge requirements for restoration projects statewide. A public workshop on the proposals will be held Tuesday, Aug. 3. The comment deadline is Friday, Aug. 13.

### **Proposals being accepted for grants to enhance California's specialty crops**

The California Department of Food and Agriculture is accepting proposals for its [Specialty Crop Block Grant Program](#). The funding is for projects that enhance the competitiveness of California's [specialty crops](#). Proposals must be submitted by Sunday, Aug. 8. A [webinar](#) on the grants will be held tomorrow, July 29.