

**Watershed and IRWMP Roundtable:  
*Integrating Watershed Principles into the Integrated  
Regional Water Management Program***

**Tuesday, March 20, 2007  
1:00 – 4:30 PM  
Bay-Delta Room  
65<sup>th</sup> Capitol Mall – 5<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Sacramento, CA**

**Workshop Objective:** To gather input and feedback from the watershed and environmental justice community on how to improve the IRWMP.

**Background**

The Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM) Program provides grants for projects that assist local public agencies to meet the long-term water needs of the State including the delivery of safe drinking water and the protection of water quality and the environment. IRWM plans must identify and address water-related objectives and conflicts within the region and use an integrated, multi-benefit approach to select projects. Funding was previously made available from Proposition 50 for both planning grants and implementation grants. The recently passed Proposition 84 will provide an additional \$1 billion in grant funds (allocated among 11 funding areas plus \$1 million for inter-regional efforts). Over the coming months, the implementing agency, California Department of Water Resources (DWR), will be working on revising the current grant guidelines and criteria.

**Your Input is Needed!**

The purpose of this workshop is to hear and learn from case studies from throughout the State, and provide your input on how YOU think the IRWM Program can be improved!

For more background information on IRWMP and previously funded IRWM plans and implementation projects, please visit:

<http://www.grantsloans.water.ca.gov/grants/integregio.cfm>

**PLEASE RSVP by emailing [marylee@watershednetwork.org](mailto:marylee@watershednetwork.org)**

# DRAFT AGENDA

1:00 – 1:15 **Welcome, Introductions, and Workshop Objectives**  
A.L. Riley – San Francisco Regional Water Quality Control Board

1:15 – 1:30 **IRWMP Overview: Brief History of the IRWM Program**  
John Woodling – DWR IRWMP Grant Manager

1:30 – 1:45 **Future of IRWM Program: What's Next for IRWMP**  
John Woodling – DWR IRWMP Grant Manager

1:45 – 2:45 **Panel Discussion of IRWMP Case Studies**  
Hear IRWMP representatives share their lessons learned:

**Sue Hughes**, Legislative Analyst, County of Ventura  
Ventura County IRWMP

**Hector Bordas**, Los Angeles County Department of Public Works  
Greater Los Angeles County Region IRWMP

**Liz Mansfield**, Director, El Dorado Irrigation District  
Cosumnes, American, Bear, and Yuba (CABY) IRWMP

- How did the IRWMP initiate?
- How did you involve (and define) stakeholders?
- How did you develop your “region?”
- How were projects identified and prioritized?
- How is the governance structure organized?
- And more...

2:45 – 3:00 **BREAK**

3:00 – 4:15 **Roundtable Discussion**  
Open discussion on how to improve the IRWMP!

- IRWM Plan Standards
- Stakeholder Involvement
- Disadvantaged Communities
- Regional Definition
- Integration and the “Big Staple” Syndrome
- Governance

4:15 – 4:30 **Next Steps**

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