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Governor's executive order calls for development of water resilience portfolio

Gov. Gavin Newsom has issued an [executive order](#) calling on State agencies to develop a water resilience portfolio for California. The order tasks the California Natural Resources Agency, the California Environmental Protection Agency, and the California Department of Food and Agriculture to assess actions that ensure safe water supplies, flood protection, and healthy waterways. The agencies will seek input in the coming months before delivering recommendations to the governor. Details are available in this [news release](#).

Bulletin 132, annual State Water Project report, released by DWR

DWR has released [Bulletin 132-17](#), the latest update to a series that began in 1963. The report covers water supply planning, construction, financing, management, and operation activities of the State Water Project. It includes discussion on water supply and delivery, Delta resources, and recreation. This is the fifty-fifth edition of [Bulletin 132](#) series.



Report outlines framework to identify multi-benefits of water management strategies

A report from the Pacific Institute explores incorporating the multi-benefits of water management strategies into decision-making processes. [Moving Toward a Multi-Benefit Approach for Water Management](#) proposes a framework to help analysts, decision-makers, and advocates. The institute has also developed a [multi-benefit resource library](#) with information on a range of water management strategies.

\$4.5 million in funding for wetlands projects available through the NFWF

The National Fish and Wildlife Foundation (NFWF) is making as much as \$4.5 million in funding available for projects that preserve wetland resources. The funding is available through the [Sacramento District California In-Lieu Fee Program](#). Each project must be in one of the 11 priority service areas listed on the program's webpage.

Creating infrastructure for a more resilient water future to be topic of webcast

A [webcast](#) on Thursday, May 16, will look at ways to finance the local infrastructure needed to ensure a more resilient water future. The list of potential solutions includes options that are environmentally sustainable and affordable. The webcast is being produced by the [WaterNow Alliance](#).

Envision adds checklist to tools for a project's planning and designing phases

[Envision](#) has added a [pre-assessment checklist](#) to its list of tools for the planning and design phases of a project. The checklist can be used to compare alternatives before key project decisions are made. It can also help users become familiar with sustainability aspects of infrastructure planning.

Water resource resilience tops agenda for American Water Association conference

The American Water Association [summer conference](#) will focus on engineering solutions and policy conditions that are needed to improve water resource resilience. The conference will be June 16–19, in Sparks, Nevada. Discount registration fees are available through Tuesday, May 28.