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Commission to consider updates to regulations for Model Water Efficient Landscapes, Architectural and Engineering contracts

May 15 meeting agenda to also include State Water Project briefing on employee safety and emergency preparedness, SGMA, groundwater trading, and Water Plan Update 2023

The California Water Commission will consider approving amendments to rules and regulations promulgated by the Department of Water Resources (DWR) at its upcoming May 15 meeting. DWR proposed minor amendments to regulations for the Model Water Efficient Landscape Ordinance (MWELO), and minor amendments to DWR's Architectural and Engineering (A&E) contracting regulations. The meeting in Sacramento is open to the public to attend in person or virtually and will also be live streamed online.

California Water Commission meeting

When: 9:30 a.m. Wednesday, May 15

Where: California Natural Resources Building
715 P Street, Sacramento, 95814

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The meeting will be live streamed at <https://www.water-ca.com/>

To comment remotely, [Zoom](#) login information can be found on the [public participation guide](#).

Another of the Commission's statutory duties involves monitoring and reporting on the construction and operation of the State Water Project (SWP). DWR staff will brief the Commission on the first goal of the SWP Strategic Plan: to advance an industry leading safety culture. The briefing will include an overview of the recently released report on the economy of the SWP, and an update on its current year operations, including efforts to support threatened fish populations.

DWR staff will also provide updates on implementation of the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act and State activities related to the Commission's May 2022 white paper on groundwater trading. DWR will also present the final California Water Plan Update 2023, which is the State's strategic plan for sustainably managing and developing water resources for current and future generations.

Also on the agenda, Commission staff will provide an update on the progress of projects in the Water Storage Investment Program, and present draft goals and objectives for the Commission's 2025 strategic plan. The complete agenda for the May 15, 2024, meeting can be found [here](#).

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The nine-member California Water Commission uses its public forum to explore water management issues from multiple perspectives and to formulate recommendations to advise the director of the California Department of Water Resources, and as appropriate, the California Natural Resources Agency, the Governor and the California State Legislature on ways to improve water planning and management in response to California's changing hydrology. As required by Water Code section 165, the Commission conducts an annual review of the construction and operation of the State Water Project. For more information regarding the California Water Commission, visit cwc.ca.gov.