



California
DRIP Collaborative

2025 Informational Meeting

Drought Resilience Interagency & Partners (DRIP) Collaborative

Thursday February 13, 2024
10:30AM - 12:00PM PT
Remote Participation (via Zoom)

Meeting Information

1. This meeting is being recorded.
2. This is an informational meeting:
 - This meeting does not require following BKA rules, but we are adhering to best practices
 - Time will be provided for clarifying questions on the content shared.
3. DRIP Collaborative members must keep their cameras on during the meeting. You must notify the group if you turn off your camera and state why.
4. Members of the public are welcome to listen. A public comment session is included later in the meeting.
5. Please practice electronics courtesy and mute when not speaking.

Meeting Purpose and Agenda

Purpose: Introduce the 2025 engagement process for the DRIP Collaborative.

Meeting Topics:

- Welcome and New Members Introductions
- The Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act - A Brief Overview
- DRIP Collaborative 2025 Engagement Process
- Tracking DRIP Collaborative 2024 Recommendations
- Public Comment
- Next Steps - Getting Ready for the DRIP-Collaborative Meeting (May 16, 2025)

Cyril Barmore, Rural Community Assistance Corporation (RCAC)

Samantha Arthur, California Natural Resource Agency (CNRA)

Natalie Kuffel, Governor's Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation (LCI)

NEW DRIP COLLABORATIVE MEMBERS

Zoe Kanavas, California Department of Water Resources - Water Justice Office

THE BAGLEY-KEENE OPEN MEETING ACT

A BRIEF OVERVIEW

Policy

“It is the public policy of this state that public agencies exist to aid in the conduct of the people’s business and the proceedings of public agencies be conducted openly so that the public may remain informed.” - Govt. Code section 11120

General Rule:

“All meetings of a state body shall be open and public and all persons shall be permitted to attend any meeting of a state body except as otherwise provided in this article.” - Govt. Code section 11123(a)

Specific Bagley-Keene Rules of Engagement

Meetings / Quorum: A meeting occurs when (1) a majority of a state body (2) gathers to hear, discuss or deliberate on (3) an item under its subject matter jurisdiction. Govt. Code section 11122.5(a). The quorum for the DRIP Collaborative is 14 members. The quorum of workgroups depend on their size.

Avoiding Serial Meetings: “Any use of direct communication, personal intermediaries, or technological devices that is employed by a majority of the members of the state body to develop a collective concurrence as to action to be taken on an item by the members of the state body is prohibited.” (Gov. Code section 11122.5(b))

Teleconference / Virtual Meetings: Remote participation is allowed. A physical location must be designated on the agenda and at least one staff member present. Must provide 24-hour notice of members participating remotely and the public must be provided the same remote access. Members must visibly appear on camera at the meeting.

Public Notice and Agenda Requirements: Meeting agendas must be posted online at least 10 days in advance, and include date, time and location of meeting and name, address and telephone number of contact person for more information, and a brief description of items to be discussed at the meeting in either open or closed session.

Public Participation: Public access is required at all locations. Must provide opportunity to address the state body on each agenda item before or during discussion of the item and on matters not on the agenda but within the subject matter of the state body

The Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act Questions and Clarification

Orit Kalman

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THE DRIP COLLABORATIVE 2025 ENGAGEMENT PROCESS

DRIP Collaborative: Your desired focus for 2025

Develop New Recommendations (New Workgroups Formed)

Focus Areas

- 1.Reducing Ecosystem Impacts of Drought
 - 2.Land Use Planning for Drought Resiliency
 - 3.Water Infrastructure & Planning
 - 4.Communications (continuing from 2024)
- 5. Cross-Cutting Themes**
- Climate Change Adaptation in Drought Preparedness
 - Nature-based Solutions in Drought

Follow up on 2024 Recommendations

Track Progress

- Rec 1. Drought Indicators and Metrics
- Rec 2. Rapid Inventory of Drought-Related Tools and Resources
- Rec 3. Empowering County Drought Resilience Planning for DW and SSWS
- Rec 4. Voluntary Community-Based Well Monitoring Program
- Rec 5. Roles and Responsibilities
- Rec 6&8. Drought Definitions and Case Studies

Continue Development

- Rec 7. Communication Program

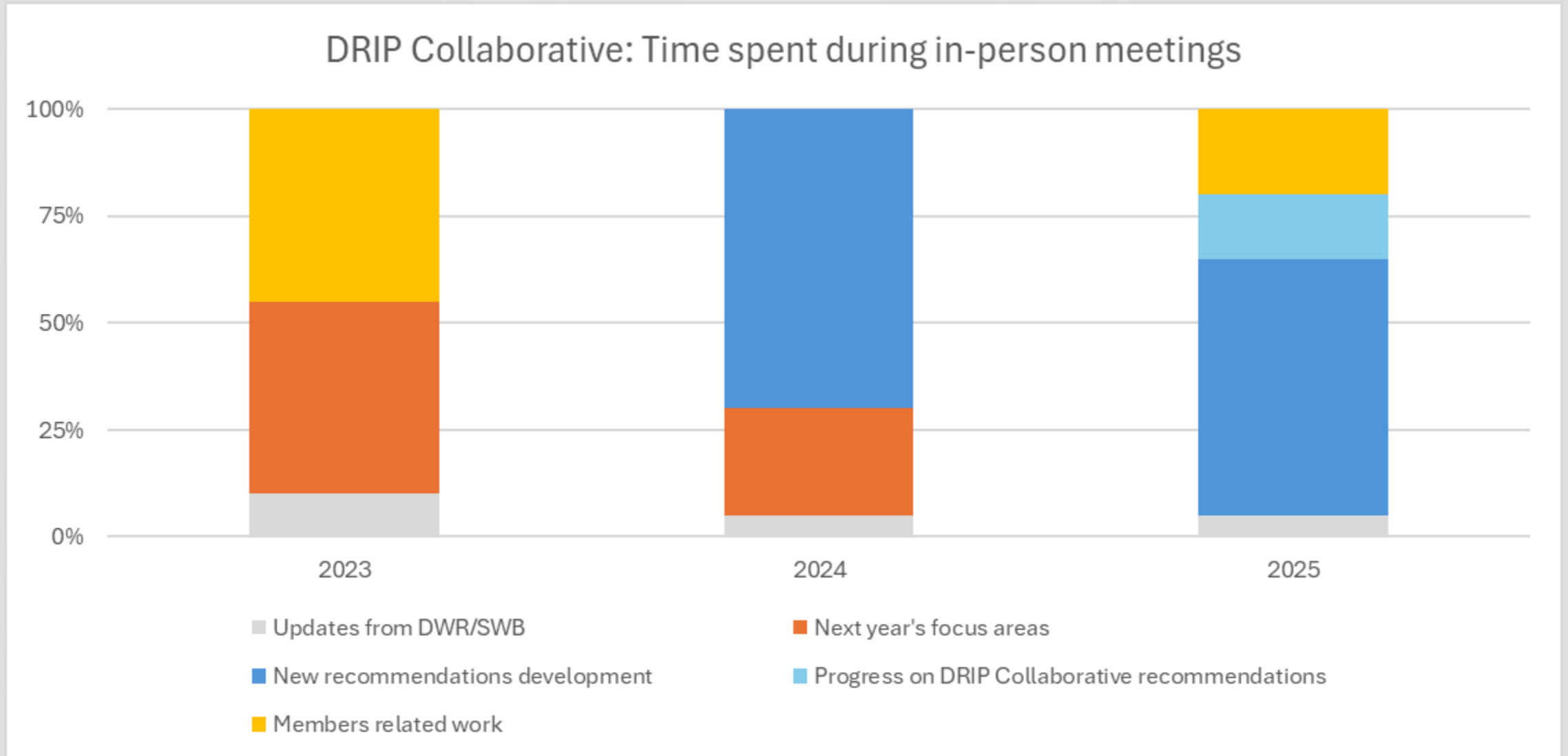
Learn about Members Ongoing Work

Lightning talks (3-5 min) on specific prompts (TBD):

- Relevant work to inform 2025 focus areas
- Relevant work that advances 2024 recs
- Urgent/timely work that address dry conditions in Southern California
- Other topics based on members interests

Update from Counties DRPs – (Related to 2024 Rec 3)

Resources and Time Allocation



DRIP Collaborative: Our process so far

2023



2024



2025

Meeting #1 (April): Build relationships, initial ideation, and shared goals

Meeting #2 (July): Define process, achieve initial view on possible focus areas

Aug/Oct VM: Gather input on initial focus areas and prep for problem statement discussions

Meeting #3 (Oct): Identify initial 3 focus areas and their working problem statements. Discuss approach to other focus areas. Create list of knowledge development topics

Jan - Mar Virtual Meetings: Introduce the recommendations development process

Meeting #1 (April): Identify potential recommendations to address the 3 focus areas

June Workgroup Meetings: Development of recommendations - Template Part I

Meeting #2 (July): Straw poll on draft recs based on Part I and SME talks to inform 2025 focus areas

Sept. Workgroup Meetings: Development of recommendations - Refine Template Part I and draft Part II

Meeting #3 (Oct): Final vote on recs based on Part I and II. Align on 2025 focus areas and workgroups

Feb - Apr Virtual Meetings: Update 2025 process. Refine 2025 Focus Area problem and purpose statements

Meeting #1 (May): Ideate on potential 2025 recommendations

May - Jun Virtual Meetings: Develop recommendations

Meeting #2 (July): Working session to refine recommendations. Initial votes

Aug - Sep Virtual Meetings: Complete recommendations templates; Prepare for Oct vote

Meeting #3 (Oct): Final vote on recs that may be ready. Decide on which recs may need until April 2026

2025 Proposed DRIP Collaborative Timeline



**Note: The timeline for each focus area/workgroup will vary and may extend beyond the proposed 2025 timeline.*

2025 Updates to the 2024 Process

New Process

DRIP Member: Workgroup changes

- State and Non-State Leads
- Virtual meetings will be less formal

Reason

DRIP Development Team has limited resources in 2025; Will not be able to facilitate virtual meetings, so need DRIP members to lead. Will re-work the workgroup meetings (from 2024) and can be led by State and Non-State leads with suggested format provided by the Development Team. Consider opportunities to engage DRIP members networks to provide additional input and expertise.

In-Person Meetings (May, Jul, Oct)

- Working sessions, for rec co-creation
- Less focus on next year focus areas

We will keep all three in-person meetings, but they will have more “working sessions” where recs are co-created. Unlike 2024, we will NOT dedicate agenda time to launch next focus areas. We will include time for 2024 recommendation tracking and member updates. Meetings will have limited AV support

Recommendation Timing

- Template Part I and II will be combined
- Aim for Oct final votes, but may roll to 2026

Number and timing of recommendations for 2025 will be determined based on DRIP member interest and willingness to lead (since there will be no Dev Team support for writing recommendations). Templates will be updated to streamline and combine Part I and II. We will aim for October final votes, but as needed they may extend into 2026 voting

Roles and Responsibilities

DWR STAFF/DEVELOPMENT TEAM: Point of contact for the workgroups, DWR staff will coordinate with co-leads and provide facilitation instructions to support workgroup meetings (similar to work done in 2024)

- Provide an updated template based on members' input
- Provide a list of topics/questions to be addressed during workgroup meetings
- Provide a compilation of 2025 focus area documents/primers (problem statements, purpose statements, etc.)

WORKGROUP CO-LEADS: One state and one non-state DRIP Collaborative member to lead and work in collaboration with DWR assigned point of contacts to finalize problem statements based on input and feedback provided by workgroups and the DRIP Collaborative membership. Promote cohesion across recommendations within the focus area.

RECOMMENDATION LEAD(S): Work in collaboration with Development Team staff to develop specific recommendations to address identified problem statements and incorporate input and feedback from workgroups and the DRIP Collaborative membership

DRIP COLLABORATIVE MEMBERS: Provide input during workgroup meetings and during DRIP Collaborative meetings to advance the problem statements and proposed recommendations.

Workgroups: DWR Point of Contact

| FOCUS AREAS | DWR Point of Contact |
|--|----------------------|
| Reducing Ecosystem Impacts of Drought | Zoe |
| Land Use Planning for Drought Resiliency | Julie |
| Water Infrastructure & Planning | Anthony |
| Communications (continuing from 2024) | Anthony |

| CROSS-CUTTING THEMES | DWR Point of Contact |
|---|----------------------|
| Climate Change Adaptation in Drought Preparedness | Zoe |
| Nature-based Solutions in Drought Preparedness | |

Julie Ekstrom, California Department of Water Resources

TRACKING DRIP COLLABORATIVE 2024 RECOMMENDATIONS

Tracking the 2024 DRIP Collaborative Recommendations

2024 Recommendations

1. Drought Indicators and Metrics
2. Rapid Inventory of Drought-Related Tools and Resources
3. Empowering County Drought Resilience Planning for DW and SSWS
4. Voluntary Community-Based Well Monitoring Program
5. Roles and Responsibilities
6. Drought Definitions and Case Studies

Approach to tracking 2024 recommendations

- **Goal:** To track and communicate progress
- **Input**
 - Member sharing; Survey ahead of each DRIP Collaborative meeting
 - Connect to the work of the members as it relates to 2024 recommendations
- **Communicate:** Memo, briefing in-person meetings
- **Feedback Loop:** Identify opportunities to bring recommendations outcomes back to inform the work of the DRIP Collaborative
- Other opportunities for engagement outside of the DRIP Collaborative work

Tracking the 2024 DRIP Collaborative Recommendations

Progress Tracker organization *example only*

| Focus Area | ID | Short Name | Effort | DRIP Member Role, if any | Who is leading | Progress |
|---|----|---|---------|--------------------------|----------------|----------|
| Drought Relevant Data | 1 | Drought indicators & Metrics | project | lead | university | 1 |
| | | | project | contributor | state | 2 |
| | | | project | lead | university | 3 |
| | | | project | contributor | university | 1 |
| | | | project | co-lead | NGO | 2 |
| | 2 | Rapid Inventory of Tools & Resources | project | lead | university | 1 |
| Drought Preparedness for Domestic Wells | 3 | Empowerment of Local Government for SB 552 | project | contributor | state | 2 |
| | | | project | lead | university | 0 |
| | | | project | contributor | university | 2 |
| | 4 | Domestic Well Groundwater Monitoring Program | project | co-lead | NGO | 1 |
| | | | project | lead | university | 2 |
| | 5 | Roles & Responsibilities | project | contributor | state | 1 |
| | | | project | lead | university | 3 |
| Definitions & Narrative | 6 | Drought definitions and case studies | project | contributor | university | 3 |

PUBLIC COMMENT

Orit Kalman

NEXT STEPS - GETTING READY FOR THE DRIP COLLABORATIVE MAY MEETING

What's Next

FEBRUARY-APRIL: Workgroup virtual meetings to refine the problem statements and early recommendation ideation (if possible).

- DWR PoC will schedule the workgroup meetings with members who volunteered (members will receive a scheduling email right after the meeting)
- Other DRIP Collaborative members, as well as members of the public, may join these workgroup meetings

APRIL: Co-leads will provide content to DWR Development Team to inform breakout discussions during the May meeting

MAY 16: DRIP Collaborative meeting (in-person)

- Finalize problem statements and begin ideation process for new recommendations

Closing Comments



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Adjourn

Thank you!