Meeting of the Drought Resilience Interagency & Partners (DRIP) Collaborative, Reducing Ecosystem Impacts of Drought Workgroup – March 18, 2025

Join the Department of Water Resources for the DRIP Collaborative Reducing Ecosystem Impacts of Drought workgroup meeting. Members of the public will be able to observe the meeting and provide public comments in-person at the meeting location or remotely.

Meeting Time: Tuesday, March 18, 2025, 1:00PM to 2:30PM

Remote Participation: Members of the public who wish to attend and comment remotely can do so by using the Zoom registration link. This meeting will be recorded and available for viewing after the meeting at www.water.ca.gov/drip

Meeting Location: California Natural Resources Agency, 715 P St, Sacramento, Room 06-213 (sixth floor)

Meeting Objective: Finalize the focus area problem statement and begin brainstorming recommendations to present at the Spring 2025 DRIP Collaborative meeting.

Agenda

1:00PM Welcome and Vision Setting

Review meeting purpose to finalize problem statement and begin brainstorming potential recommendations. Discuss the workgroup members' vision for this focus area, answering the question:

 In five years from now, reducing ecosystem impacts of drought has been addressed. What is one thing that was accomplished to get us there?

1:10PM Process Review

Revisit anticipated timeline for developing the problem statement and recommendations.

1:15PM **Problem Statement Definition**

Review draft problem statement and comments provided at the October 2024 DRIP Collaborative meeting. Discuss related key challenges and the connection to the DRIP Collaborative purpose and finalize the problem statement.

1:45PM Recommendation Brainstorming

Revisit the challenges identified in the problem statement and brainstorm potential opportunities for improvements and ways to address the identified challenge.

2:25PM Public Comment

2:30PM Adjourn

Background

The Department of Water Resources (DWR) established a standing drought and water shortage interagency task force in coordination with the State Water Board and other relevant state agencies to facilitate proactive state planning and coordination for pre-drought planning, emergency response, and post-drought management, consistent with Senate Bill 552 (Chaptered in 2021). The Task Force, called the Drought Resilience Interagency and Partners Collaborative (DRIP Collaborative), will serve as a public forum with state and non-state agency members to advance our drought strategies and continue building resilience to the increasingly arid conditions California faces. For more information visit https://water.ca.gov/drip.

Additional Notes for the Public

All times indicated and the order of business are approximated and subject to change. Members of the public will be able to observe the meeting and provide public comments inperson at the meeting location or remotely. Remote participation will be conducted via the webbased videoconferencing service Zoom. Registration is required to provide public comments. Members of the public who wish to comment during the meeting can do so by registering via Zoom here. Upon registration, you will be sent a Zoom meeting link at the email address you provide. Zoom streaming will begin at 1:00 PM. For more information visit https://water.ca.gov/drip.

Accessibility

The DRIP Collaborative meeting location and Zoom option is accessible to people with disabilities. Any person who requires special assistance to participate in the meeting, wishes to request this notice or other meeting materials in an alternative format, requires translation services, or needs any disability related modification or accommodation, including auxiliary aids or services, which would enable that person to participate at the meeting must make that request at least 7 days prior to the meeting date by contacting DRIP Collaborative Staff (Zoe Kanavas) at the Department of Water Resources at drip@water.ca.gov or calling at (916) 606-2134.

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