

California Water Commission

Strategic Plan Process

January 18, 2012

Water Commission Strategic Plan

Mission Statement

Jan-Feb

- Provide previous mission statement to Commission, solicit input and updates
- Staff compiles responses, drafts Mission Statement and alternatives
- Commission deliberates, adopts revised Mission Statement at February 2012 meeting

Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, Threats

March

- Survey developed to analyze strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, threats
- Send to Commission members, list serve, DWR staff, stakeholders and posted on website for public input
- Staff summarizes results, provides to Commission
- Discussion of results and Commission feedback at March 2012 meeting

Draft Plan, Public Review

April

- Staff drafts Strategic Plan
- Public comment period
- Strategic Plan sent to Commission and posted online for comments/feedback

Adoption of Strategic Plan

May

- Staff incorporates comments into proposed Strategic Plan
- Commission considers Plan for approval at May 2012 meeting

Current Mission Statement

Existing Mission Statement, adopted April 1998

To advise the Director of the Department of Water Resources and to coordinate State and local views with regard to federal appropriations for flood control, water and fishery projects in California.

Regarded as a trustee for the people of California, the California Water Commission advises the Director of the Department of Water Resources and the Governor on the development, control and use of the State's water resources for the maximum benefit of its residents.

Its nine members are appointed by the Governor and represent all regions of the State. Seven members must have knowledge, experience and interest in problems relating to control, storage, and beneficial use of water. Two members must be from the public and have an interest and knowledge of the environment.

Current Mission Statement (cont.)

The Commission coordinates the planning, funding, and construction of federal water development and flood control projects with State and local projects.

The Commission presents its recommendations to Congress on federal appropriations for U.S. Army Corps of Engineers flood control projects and U.S. Department of Interior reclamation and fisheries projects.

The Commission also conducts public hearings and investigations statewide for the Department and provides an open forum for interested citizens to voice their views on water issues.

Its members must approve the Department's rules and regulations before they are adopted.