



**Update on Stakeholder Process for Water Storage Investment Program**

**Background**

In November 2014, California voters passed [Proposition 1: the Water Quality, Supply, and Infrastructure Improvement Act of 2014](#). The bond dedicated \$2.7 billion to be continuously appropriated to the California Water Commission to pay for the public benefits of water storage projects and requires the Commission to develop regulations for the quantification and management of the public benefits of water storage projects. The Commission is carrying out its new responsibilities through the Water Storage Investment Program.

The California Water Commission is committed to developing the Water Storage Investment program and allocating funding in an open, transparent, fair, and cost-efficient manner – and in a way that maximizes the sound and responsible investment of public dollars. The Commission is working with a broad array of stakeholders including water agencies, conservation organizations, tribal governments, public agencies, and communities throughout the state to develop the regulations and guidelines for the Water Storage Investment Program. Stakeholders will provide valuable technical and program expertise to the Commission for consideration in developing the regulations, guidelines, project solicitation, and program activities.

The Commission’s Water Storage Investment Program Stakeholder Advisory Committee (SAC) has held four meetings in Sacramento. Jenny Marr, Commission Supervising Engineer and WSIP Project Manager, will update the Commission on the most recent SAC meeting and provide updates on other outreach and communication activities. This is an informational item.

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