Early California water plan gets it done in 13 pages

The *Irrigation of Twelve Million Acres in the Valley of California* is a remarkable 13-page water plan written in 1919 by retired USGS employee, Col. Robert Bradford Marshall. It contains the broad outline of today’s water system in California and provides the strategy employed for the official 1930 State Water Plan. [*It's on the Water Plan Web site.*](#)

Delta, Suisun land use data surveys, GIS coverages available

A report is now available that summarizes Delta and Suisun land-use data surveys and GIS coverages for Delta Vision and related planning. The project began about 18 months ago and was a concerted effort by many people, both inside and outside DWR. This included 17 staff from DWR’s four district offices, six staff and inmates from Mule Creek State Prison, one staff member from the USBR, and six from DWR’s headquarters. [*You can find the report here.*](#)

EPA announces Clean Water Act Recognition Awards

The Clean Water Act Recognition Awards program is sponsored by EPA’s Office of Wastewater Management. The awards recognize outstanding technological achievements in waste treatment and pollution abatement programs. [*Here’s a link.*](#)

Upcoming meetings about FloodSAFE, scenarios, Delta Vision, drought, climate change

- **UPDATE:** A Pre-advertisement Contracting Workshop for prospective FloodSAFE consultants, originally scheduled for tomorrow, Nov. 29, has been rescheduled for Wednesday, Dec. 12. [Details.](#)
- **Tomorrow, Nov. 29:** Water Plan staff will hold a public workshop in Sacramento from 1-4 p.m. to develop narrative themes for Update 2009 Future Baseline Scenarios. [Read more here.](#)
- **Wednesday, Dec. 5:** The Water Education Foundation will hold a free Delta Vision Workshop in San Jose. [Read more.](#)
- **Wednesday, Dec. 5 (Fresno), or Thursday, Dec. 6 (Visalia):** The Agricultural Water Management Council will hold a workshop designed to prepare growers “for next year’s expected drought.” [Read more.](#)
- **Wednesday, Dec. 5:** UCD Professor Jay Lund will talk on “The Collapse of California’s Water System: From Disaster to Decisions” at the UC Davis Tahoe Environmental Research Center, Incline Village, Nev. Call the center at 775-881-7560. [Read more.](#)
- **Thursday, Dec. 13:** A symposium titled “Row Crop Farming and Climate Change: What the Future Holds” will be held at CSU Fresno. [Read more.](#)