Water Plan E-News wins award from floodplain association

The Floodplain Management Association today awarded Water Plan E-News the group’s annual Media Award for “exemplary efforts on the part of communications media to increase information or awareness of flood issues with the general public.” The award was given during the group’s annual convention in San Diego. The FMA is a regional organization of floodplain management professionals from California, Nevada and Hawaii.

Plenary session for Sept. 18 and 19 in Sacramento

The California Water Plan will host its second plenary session on Sept. 18 and 19 in Sacramento. The two-day meeting will preview Volume 1 of Update 2009, show the differences from Update 2005, and review the Update 2009 strategic plan elements. The agenda and full announcement can be found online here. There is a $15 registration fee for each day ($30 total).

Regional reports, resource management strategies going online

Regional reports and resource management strategies, publicly reviewed in several previous drafts, are now being posted online in preparation for the plenary session. All regional reports and strategies are expected to be posted by the end of next week. You can find the regional reports here and resource management strategies here.

DWR posts revised white papers on water transfers

Preparing for more water transfers in 2009, DWR has revised its “White Papers” for groundwater substitution water transfers and crop idling water transfers. The draft papers are available on the Internet here under the heading “Water Transfers Papers.” You can send comments on the papers to DWR in an e-mail message to Cliff Feldheim (cfeldhei@water.ca.gov) before 5 p.m. Friday, Sept. 19.

20x2020 team seeks comments on statewide water conservation plan

The 20x2020 Agency Team of urban water conservation officials will ask the public what it thinks about targets for water conservation statewide by 2020 at a workshop Sept. 15 in Sacramento. The agenda and more information will be posted at this Web site.