DWR will hold a drought workshop in San Diego on Tuesday, June 30, to update the region on the effect of the drought and what’s being done about it. It will be held from 9:30 a.m. until noon in the Gallegos Room of Caltrans Building One, 4050 Taylor St. More information can be found here.

A Summer Symposium titled A Time for Changing Values, Ideas, and Solutions in Water Management: Are California’s Communities Sustainable? will be held Thursday, July 23, in Sacramento. It’s sponsored by the Sacramento Chapter of the Environmental & Water Resources Institute of the American Society of Civil Engineers / Floodplain Management Association / ASCE Committee on Sustainability. The meeting announcement, details and registration information can be found here.

Climate change is already having visible effects in the United States, and the choices we make now will determine the severity of its effects in the future, according to a federal study released Tuesday assessing the current and anticipated domestic impacts of climate change. The report, Global Climate Change Impacts in the United States, was produced by experts from 13 U.S. government science agencies and universities. You can find a copy here.

DWR will conduct two more public workshops in June to explain new rules for urban water suppliers who want grants or loans. Workshops will be held in Chino next Monday, June 22; and in San Diego on Tuesday, June 23. The complete schedule for the workshops and more information on the new rules are available on the DWR Office of Water Use Efficiency and Transfers Web site.

The non-profit, non-partisan Local Government Commission will hold a workshop in Los Angeles on Thursday, June 25, to inform local governments about climate change laws. The same workshop will be held in Oakland on Wednesday, July 15, and in Sacramento on Tuesday, July 30. The day-long sessions will cover how climate change laws — AB 32 and SB 375 — relate to local government. The workshops will also cover economic benefits, funding opportunities and model programs. You can find more information here.