Comments being accepted for volume 1 of Water Plan’s public review draft

Comments on volume 1 of the California Water Plan Update 2013 public review draft are being accepted through Nov. 18. Volume 3 will be released Wednesday, Oct. 16, and volume 2 on Wednesday, Oct. 23. Each volume will have a 45-day comment period.

Agenda posted and RSVPs being accepted for Water Plan plenary meeting

RSVPs are being accepted for this month’s Water Plan plenary meeting. It will be a two-day session that covers elements from all volumes of California Water Plan Update 2013. The agenda has multiple sessions that will provide opportunities to comment on the Water Plan’s public review draft. The plenary will be Oct. 29 and 30, in Sacramento.

Task force set to approve final draft of BMP report to the Legislature

The Commercial, Industrial, Institutional Best Management Practices (BMPs) Task Force will be holding its final meeting Monday, October 21, in Sacramento, to approve the final draft of its report to the Legislature. The report is presented in two volumes. Volume 1 is the summary. Volume 2 provides the technical information.

Goals and policies spelled out in California’s climate future report

The Governor’s Office of Planning and Research (OPR) has released a discussion draft of California’s Climate Future - The 2013 Environmental Goals and Policy Report. The report looks at the state’s future in the context of a changing climate and a population that is projected to reach 50 million by the middle of this century. The OPR also has a site with information on tracking the progress toward meeting the state’s goals.

Public benefits and water regulation on agenda for water commission

Two action items are on the agenda for the next meeting of the California Water Commission. A review of draft guidelines for quantifying the public benefits of water storage projects, and consideration of revisions for an ag water measurement regulation will be part of the meeting on Wednesday, Oct. 16, in Sacramento. A webcast will be available.

Air board releases draft of GHG emissions reduction report

The public discussion draft of a plan to reduce the state’s greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions has been posted by the California Air Resources Board. The draft looks at the progress made over recent years, and the steps that need to be taken to meet the state’s goals in 2020 and beyond. Public comments are due by Nov. 1.