The Federal Agency Network (FAN) is a virtual network, based on linked contacts. A no cost online software combined with a Department of Water Resources Water Plan websites will be used to:

- Post draft materials for federal agency comment
- Identify opportunities for federal agency participation in the following types of meetings:
  - Topic-specific State Agency Steering Committee meetings
  - Topic-specific Tribal Advisory Committee meetings
  - Ex-officio status at Advisory Committee meetings
  - Resource Management Strategy workshops
  - Regional Forums
  - Topic-based Caucuses
  - Creation of the Federal Companion Plans document
  - Potential workgroup sessions
  - Technical assistance
  - Planning integration

- The California Biodiversity Council will serve as a coordination body in conjunction with the Water Plan.

**Objective:**
Update 2013 seeks to expand and strengthen the framework of federal agency engagement established during Updates 2005 and 2009 of the California Water Plan (CWP).

**Membership:**
Membership is focused on federal agencies whose responsibilities and authorities are associated with the scope of Update 2013. This includes, but is not limited to:

- Coastal: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Commerce (CZMAs)
- Fisheries: US Fish & Wildlife Service, National Marine Fisheries Service
- Flood Management: US Army Corps of Engineers, FEMA, Bureau of Reclamation
- Sustainable Development: Department of Transportation, Housing & Urban Development
- Tribal Trust: Bureau of Indian Affairs, US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)
- Watershed Management: US Forest Service, Natural Resource Conservation Service, Department of Defense

Outreach strategies will include:

- Contacting federal agencies who have participated in past CWP Updates
- Leveraging the work of the California Biodiversity Council
- Looking for federal counterparts to State Agency Steering Committee agencies