CALIFORNIA WATER PLAN UPDATE 2009 – REGIONAL WORKSHOPS

The Department of Water Resources, in cooperation with other State agencies, is holding a North Coast regional public workshop to gather and share information about the California Water Plan Update 2009. The workshop is sponsored by the North Coast IRWMP.

The workshop will be held at the River Lodge Conference Center in Fortuna on October 11, 2007 from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Information on location of the River Lodge is available on-line at www.fortunariverlodge.com. There is a clickable link to the map with the contact information provide at the bottom of the web page.

The workshop agenda is enclosed, and representatives of water agencies and collaboratives; local, state, tribal, and federal government; watershed and community groups; conservancies; and the public are strongly encouraged to attend.

For those who are already attending the North Coast IRWMP conference, no RSVP is needed. If you will be attending the regional workshop, but are not attending the IRWMP conference, kindly RSVP to Xavier Tito Cervantes at (530) 529-7389 or at cervante@water.ca.gov.

This workshop is part of the public outreach to discuss water issues and management strategies in the North Coast hydrologic region for inclusion in the Water Plan’s regional reports. The presentations will include information about related integrated regional water management plans and regional flood plans.

Eight other regional workshops will be held across the State during the summer of 2007, and again during the early part of 2008 and the late spring of 2009. Tentative information for the regions involved, locations and dates of these other public workshops include:

- South Bay Area Region: Oakland – June 25
- South Lahontan: Palmdale – July 10
- Central Coast Region: Santa Barbara – July 23
- South Coast Region: Los Angeles – July 25
- Colorado River Region, Coachella: – July 26
- Tulare Lake Region: Bakersfield – August 8
- North Lahontan Region and Mountain Counties: El Dorado Hills – August 10
- Delta, San Joaquin River Region: Stockton – August 13
- Sacramento River, North Coast Regions: Red Bluff – August 23

Summaries from these other regional workshops are posted on the Water Plan website at www.waterplan.water.ca.gov/regional/workshops/index.cfm.

Additional information about the 2009 Update of the California Water Plan is available online at: www.waterplan.water.ca.gov. Available materials include schedules and agendas (as they become available) for regional workshops, other meetings, and contact information. Other opportunities to provide input for the Water Plan include regional forums, public plenary meetings, statewide advisory committee meetings and Statewide Water Analysis Network technical workshops.