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Public Meeting for State Water Project Contract Amendment for California WaterFix

The Department of Water Resources (DWR) and the State Water Project (SWP) Contractors plan to resume the public process in light of the Governor's recent Executive Order N-10-19 directing state agencies to develop a comprehensive statewide strategy to build a climate-resilient water system. This public process is to further negotiate the proposed amendments to the SWP water supply contracts between DWR and the SWP Contractors. The last negotiation session was June 27, 2018. This public process was initially noticed on November 21, 2014 for the proposed Bay Delta Conservation Plan (BDCP).

On May 2, 2019, DWR withdrew the project approvals for California WaterFix. Thus, the proposed objectives for the upcoming negotiations is to consider the continued utility of potential changes to the SWP water supply contracts for water management actions, including water transfers.

Public Meeting Process:
DWR will open the negotiations to the public to allow the opportunity to observe and provide comments to DWR at the end of the negotiation session. Written comments may also be submitted within seven (7) calendar days following the negotiation. The process that DWR will follow to enable members of the public to observe and comment on the negotiations will be consistent with the "Principles Regarding Public Participation Process in SWP Contract Negotiations," which were approved as part of the settlement agreement reached in the case titled, *Planning and Conservation League et al. v. Department of Water Resources,* 83 Cal.App.4th 892 (2000).

Session Date:
The session is scheduled for May 20, 2019 starting at 10:00 AM and is expected to adjourn by 3:00 PM, at the Courtyard by Marriott Sacramento Midtown, 4422 Y Street, Sacramento, California.

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Sincerely,

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