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Integrated Regional Water Management Plan

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More than 70 attendees representing five counties participated in the Westside Sacramento IRWM Plan kick off meetings. Meeting materials and reports are now available online.

Projects prioritized in the Westside Sacramento IRWM Plan will be eligible for State Prop 84 and 1E Grant Funding.

Public input is needed for the identification of local and regional challenges and opportunities in water supply reliability and quality, stormwater management, flood management, environment and habitat, and wetlands, among other areas.

Plan Kick Off Meetings a Success

Three community forums were held recently in Vacaville, Woodland, and Clearlake to initiate the Westside Sacramento Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM) Plan development process. The Westside Sacramento Regional Water Management Group – represented by its consultant team – introduced the planning process and solicited preliminary input on water resources challenges and opportunities specific to the Cache and Putah Creek Watersheds. Details including meeting materials and participant input can be viewed online at www.westsideirwm.com/meetings.

Why the IRWM Plan is Important

The Westside Sacramento IRWM Plan will be a living document that includes an analysis of current and future anticipated water resources challenges and opportunities, potential projects that benefit multiple areas (flood management and ecosystem restoration, for example), and recommendations for actions, among other things. Once completed, the IRWM Plan can be used to support improved water management across the region and requests for state and federal funding to implement priority projects. In fact, a current IRWM plan is required to be eligible for state grant funding (Proposition 84 and 1E) to pay for the implementation of projects, programs, and actions that improve water supply reliability and quality; improve flood management practices; and improve environmental conditions and habitat areas.
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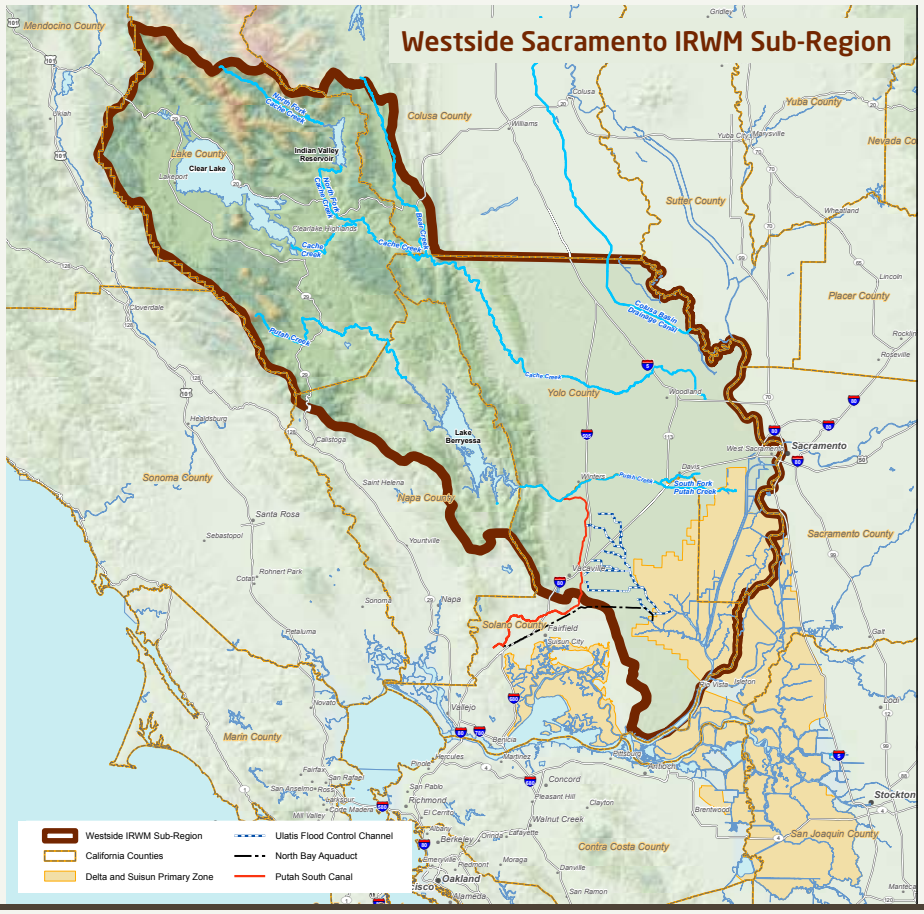
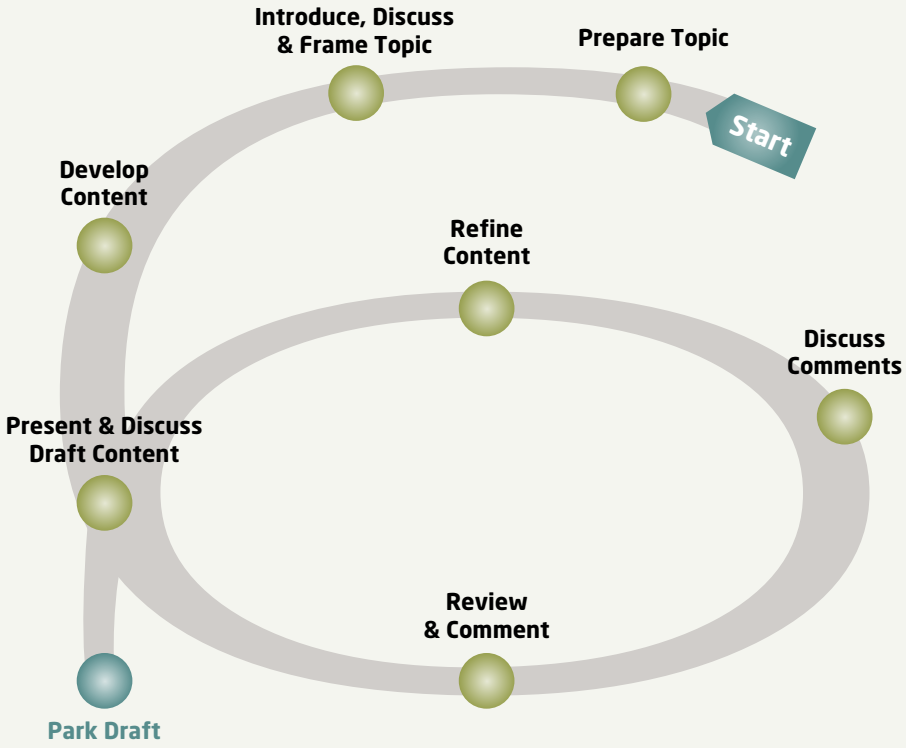


Public Involvement Key to Plan Development

Engaging stakeholders is a primary goal of the Westside Sacramento IRWM Plan development process. Public input will be given considerable weight during a process that will also include an in-depth review of existing water management-related documents, and input provided by water agencies, non-governmental organizations, state and federal agencies, cities, and counties within the region. Public and organizational input and document review will inform the final content of the IRWM Plan.

Information related to IRWM Plan topics – to include potential projects that address regional challenges – will be presented and discussed during interactive stakeholder meetings (see below for upcoming meeting schedule). Draft IRWM Plan sections will be prepared based on the research and discussion of each topic and then provided for public discussion, review and comment. The draft sections will be revised, as needed, and then made available again for review and comment until the content is broadly accepted, as depicted on the iterative Plan Development Process graphic provided below.



Upcoming Regional Meetings to Cover Current and Future Conditions

Stakeholders will be asked to help shape a summary of current and anticipated future conditions in the Cache and Putah Creek Watersheds during the next round of regional community meetings. The resulting input will help inform the IRWM Plan development process, especially as it relates to challenges and opportunities and the development of plan objectives. Discussion will include an overview of water in the region, how demands are met, water quality and reliability, existing plans and vision for the future, climate change, and future land use, population and water demands, among others.

Westside Sacramento Regional Water Management Group (RWMG)
The RWMG was formed by Colusa County Resource Conservation District, Lake County Watershed Protection District, Napa County Flood Control and Water Conservation District, Solano County Water Agency, and Water Resources Association of Yolo County with the intent of developing, maintaining, and implementing an IRWM Plan for the Westside Sacramento region. www.westsideirwm.com/who

Upcoming Meetings

1-5 p.m., Monday, April 23
Woodland Community & Senior Center
2001 East Street, Woodland

1-5 p.m., Tuesday, April 24
Clearlake Senior/Community Center
3245 Bowers Avenue, Clearlake

The Westside Sacramento IRWM is being funded by a Proposition 84 grant from the Department of Water Resources and a consortium of agencies representing a five-county region that includes the Cache and Putah Creek Watersheds.

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