

Meeting Announcement

Wednesday, March 25, 2009 ~ 12:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

NOTE NEW STARTING TIME - 12:30 p.m.

The Southern California Water Dialogue will meet at the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California headquarters, 700 N. Alameda, Los Angeles, (213) 217-6000. Please RSVP to JoAnn Carrillo @ jcarrillo@mwdh2o.com. Lunch will not be provided. Please feel free to bring a brown bag lunch or buy your lunch at the cafeteria on the first floor and bring it to the meeting. Parking validation will not be provided for valet parking. There will be parking available at Metropolitan's employee garage accessible at the rear of the building. We look forward to seeing you.

Meeting Topic:

Economic Stimulus Funding to California – Update from the Agencies

Speakers:

Fran Spivy-Weber, State Water Resources Control Board

Gary Yamamoto, Department of Public Health (invited)

Bill Steele, Bureau of Reclamation (invited)

Rick Leifield, Army Corps of Engineers (invited)

The Water Dialogue welcomes representatives from the four big agencies that will be overseeing the disbursement of Economic Stimulus funding in California. They will update us on the amount of money that will pass through their agencies, the process to be used to select worthy projects, the criteria for selecting projects, the expected benefits, the timeline for project selection and funding disbursement, restrictions on the use of the money, and some of the challenges encountered by the agencies in getting the money to "shovel-ready" projects within one year.

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