

Meeting of the Drought Resilience Interagency & Partners (DRIP) Collaborative – May 16, 2025

Join the Department of Water Resources for the Drought Resilience Interagency & Partners (DRIP) Collaborative meeting. Members of the public will be able to observe the meeting and provide public comments in-person at the meeting location or remotely.

Meeting Time: 10:00 AM-5:00 PM

Meeting Location: California Natural Resources Agency, 715 P St, Sacramento, Room 02-221 A/B/C (second floor)

Remote participation will be conducted via a Zoom platform. Members of the public who wish to listen and comment remotely during the meeting can do so by joining using the [Zoom meeting registration link](#).

The meeting will be viewable via YouTube Livestream [here](#). Individuals who only want to watch or listen should use this option as it preserves interactive meeting resources for those who are commenting on items.

Recording: This meeting will be recorded and available [here](#) after the meeting.

Background

The Department of Water Resources (DWR) established a standing drought and water shortage interagency task force in coordination with the State Water Board and other relevant state agencies to facilitate proactive state planning and coordination for pre-drought planning, emergency response, and post-drought management, consistent with [Senate Bill 552](#) (Chaptered in 2021). The Task Force, called the Drought Resilience Interagency and Partners Collaborative (DRIP Collaborative), will serve as a public forum with state and non-state agency members to advance our drought strategies and continue building resilience to the increasingly arid conditions California faces. For more information visit <https://water.ca.gov/drip>.

Meeting Objectives

Objective #1: Provide opportunities for collective learning about efforts to advance drought and water shortage resiliency.

Objective #2: Finalize the DRIP Collaborative 2025 focus areas problem statements.

Objective #3: Identify and advance ideas to address the 2025 focus areas that will be developed into recommendations.

Agenda

10:00am	Welcome Remarks and Setting Intentions <i>Reconvene the DRIP Collaborative to build on work accomplished in 2023-2024 and to continue identifying and promoting drought resilience strategies in California.</i>
10:25am	Informational Updates <i>DWR Staff will provide an important hydrology update to inform DRIP Collaborative work.</i>
10:40am	2024 Recommendations – Follow Up <i>DWR staff will share a tracking approach and updates on current efforts to advance the 2024 DRIP Collaborative recommendations.</i>
10:50am	DRIP Collaborative Members Presentations <i>DRIP-Collaborative members will share about work related to drought resiliency in California and address the following key questions:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>What does drought resilience mean from your perspective?</i>• <i>What initiatives are you working on to improve drought resilience?</i>
11:15am	Cross Cutting Themes <i>DRIP Collaborative members will share a proposed approach to incorporate cross cutting themes considerations into the recommendation development process.</i>
11:45am	2024 Communication Program Recommendation – An Update <i>DRIP Collaborative members will provide a suggested approach to further develop the 2024 communication program recommendation.</i>
12:00pm	LUNCH
1:00pm	2025 Focus Areas Problem Statements <i>DRIP Collaborative members will present and finalize problem statements for the 2025 focus areas. Time for public comment will be offered for each focus area.</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Reducing ecosystem impacts of drought</i>• <i>Land use planning for drought resilience</i>• <i>Water infrastructure and planning</i>
1:45pm	2025 Recommendations Development – Working Session <i>DRIP Collaborative members will join small focus area groups, in two rounds (approximately 40 minutes each), to discuss potential recommendation ideas. Members of the public will be invited to join these small group discussions.</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Reducing ecosystem impacts of drought</i>• <i>Land use planning for drought resilience</i>• <i>Water infrastructure and planning</i>
3:20pm	BREAK
3:35pm	2025 Recommendations Development – Working Session Report Out and Next Steps <i>DRIP Collaborative members will share recommendation ideas that were discussed during the working session, to be prioritized for further development.</i>
4:45pm	Public Comment <i>Members of the public are invited to share comments on the work of the DRIP Collaborative.</i>
4:55pm	Closing Comments
5:00pm	Adjourn

Additional Notes for the Public**All times indicated and the order of business are approximated and subject to change.**

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Accessibility

The DRIP Collaborative meeting location and Zoom option is accessible to people with disabilities. Any person who requires special assistance to participate in the meeting, wishes to request this notice or other meeting materials in an alternative format, requires translation services, or needs any disability related modification or accommodation, including auxiliary aids or services, which would enable that person to participate at the meeting must make that request at least 7 days prior to the meeting date by contacting DRIP Collaborative Staff (Zoe Kanavas) at the Department of Water Resources at drip@water.ca.gov or calling at (916) 606-2134.

Start: Friday, May 16, 2025, 10:00 AM

End: Friday, May 16, 2025, 5:00 PM

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