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## DWR Releases Draft Funding Recommendations for Proposition 84 Round 2 Implementation Grant Program

**SACRAMENTO** – The California Department of Water Resources (DWR) is inviting public comment on its recommendations for funding Proposition 84 Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM) Implementation Grants. Twenty proposals covering 139 projects are recommended to receive grants totaling \$131.1 million.

The grant program assists local public agencies and non-profit organizations in meeting longterm water needs of the state, including the delivery of safe drinking water and the protection of water quality and the environment.

The draft recommendations and information on how the public can submit comments on them are found at http://www.water.ca.gov/irwm/grants/implementation.cfm

The comment period closes at 5 p.m. on October 10, 2013. An open house/ public comment meeting will be held on October 7, 2013 and will be webcast.

Time: 11 a.m. – 12 p.m.: Open house to discuss individual proposal evaluations 12 – 1 p.m.: Public meeting to solicit comments on the funding recommendations

Place: Byron Sher Auditorium CalEPA Building 1001 I Street Sacramento, CA 95814

Funding for the IRWM Implementation grant program is available through Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality and Supply, Flood Control, River and Coastal Protection Bond Act of 2006 (Proposition 84), which was passed by California voters in November 2006 and authorized the Legislature to appropriate \$1 billion for IRWM.

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