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**COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT WANTED IN DEVELOPMENT OF REGIONAL WATER MANAGEMENT PLAN**

**WHAT:** Informational kickoff meetings have been scheduled for the development of the Westside Sacramento Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM) Plan, which will detail water supply, flood management, stormwater runoff, and environmental concerns and opportunities for the Cache Creek and Putah Creek Watersheds. Collectively, the planning area includes:

- all or portions of Solano, Napa, Yolo, Lake and Colusa Counties
- 9 cities
- more than 70 special service districts
- key water sources such as Clear Lake, Lake Berryessa, Indian Valley Reservoir, Putah Creek and Cache Creek

The IRWM Plan will be used to secure grant funding for regional projects that promote effective and sustainable water resources management in the following areas: water supply reliability, water conservation, water quality improvement, stormwater management, flood management, invasive species abatement, mercury contamination cleanup, wetlands enhancement protections, and environmental and habitat improvements and protections.

Residents of all five counties are encouraged to attend any of the kickoff meetings to learn more about the planning process and how to help shape the plan. Each of the meetings will cover the same material.

**WHEN:** All meetings will be held from 5-7 p.m.

- Wednesday, January 25; Ulatis Community Center, 1000 Ulatis Drive, Vacaville
- Wednesday, February 1, Heidrick Ag History Center, 1962 Hays Lane, Woodland
- Monday, February 6, Clearlake City Council Chambers, 14050 Olympic Drive, Clearlake

**WHO:** The Westside Integrated Regional Water Management Plan is being developed through a partnership between the Solano County Water Agency, the Napa County Flood Control and Water Conservation District, the Water Resources Association of Yolo County, the Lake County Watershed Protection District, and the Colusa County Resource Conservation District.

The project is being funded in large part by a \$1 million grant from the California Department of Water Resources (Proposition 84 funds).

**CONTACT:** For more information, visit the Westside Sacramento IRWM website at [www.westsideirwm.com](http://www.westsideirwm.com), or call the hotline at (530) 661-8115.

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