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To:Board of DirectorsFrom:Larrie Ann DavisDate:March 14, 2014Subject:Informational Meetings

Attached is information on two informational meetings regarding drought response and planning.

- Inland Empire Utilities Agency is hosting a San Bernardino County Special District meeting on March 17<sup>th</sup> in Ontario, CA. The focus will be on the drought, policy and water supply. Cost: \$27.00.
- "<u>Tangled Up In Blue</u>" California Water Policy 23 is being held April 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> in Claremont, CA. Attendees can participate in one or both days. Subjects include the drought, State Water Action Plan, nitrates in water, fracking and ground water management. Cost: \$235.00 - \$449.00

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Inland Empire Utilities Agency will be hosting the March 17, 2014 Membership Meeting at:

#### PANDA INN

3223 E Centrelake Dr Ontario, CA 91761 (909) 390-2888

The social hour will begin at 6:00 PM with a call to order at 6:45 PM.

#### **MEMBER CHALLENGE:**

Bring someone new! Bring a Board Member, employee or someone from another Special District to the meeting!

#### Menu:

Wonton Soup, Orange Chicken, Honey Walnut Shrimp, Pork Lo Mein, Kon Pao San Yan, Mongolian Beef, Mixed vegetables, Steamed & Fried Rice. <u>Desert:</u> Chocolate Dipped Fortune Cookies

**Program:** IEUA's General Manager, Joe Grindstaff will be discussing the drought, policy and water supply.

> **Cost:** \$27 per person

> > **RSVP**:

RSVP to Andrea Carruthers acarruthers@ieua.org or 909 993-1935

Make checks payable to ASBCSD and send to:

Attention: Cheryl Vermette PO BOX 1308 Helendale, CA 92342

District/Associate Attendee:

Reminder: There is a \$2 surcharge for reservations made after the deadline date, as well as for coming to dinner with no reservations. You will also be billed for the dinner if your cancellation is not received prior to the deadline.



**Directions from 10 Freeway East** 

Start: I-10 E

- 1. Head east on I-10 E
- 2. Take exit 55 for Archibald Ave toward Holt Blvd/Ontario Airport
- 3. Keep right at the fork, follow signs for Archibald Ave S/Ontario Airport and merge onto N Archibald Ave
- 4. Turn left onto E Guasti Rd
- 5. Take the 2nd left onto N Centre Lake Dr
- 6. Destination will be on the left

3223 Centre Lake Dr Ontario, CA 91761

#### **Directions from 10 Freeway West**

Start: I-10 W

1. Head west on I-10 W toward Exit 63

- 2. Take exit 56 for Haven Ave
- 3. Turn left onto N Haven Ave
- 4. Turn right onto E Guasti Rd

5. Take the 1st right onto N Centre Lake Dr

Destination will be on the right

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#### **Conference Agenda**

#### California Water Policy 23: Tangled Up In Blue

April 3-4, 2014

The Roberts Environmental Center at Claremont McKenna College

#### Thursday, April 3

8:00 am	Registration
9:15 am	Conference Welcome
	Douglas Wallace, East Bay MUD, Conference Chair
	Opening Plenary

9:30 am	Opening Plenary
	California's Water Future: Now for Something Completely Different
	Dr. Jeffrey Mount, Senior Fellow, Public Policy Institute of California Founding Director of the Center for Watershed Sciences, UC Davis

10:15 am	Break

10:45 am Breakout Sessions:

Tribes and Water Resources: A Path Towards Justice
Anecita Agustinez, Tribal Policy Advisor, California Department of Water Resources Bo Mazzetti, Tribal Chairman, Rincon Band of Luiseno Indians Chief Caleen Sisk, Winnemem Wintu Tribe Aaron Dixon, Tribal Secretary/Treasurer

#### The State Water Action Plan: Do We Really Mean it This Time?

John Coleman, President, Association of California Water Agencies Susan Kennedy, Senior Policy Adviser, Alston & Bird\* Felicia Marcus, Board Chair, California State Water Resources Control Board Kate Poole, Senior Attorney and Director of Water and Wildlife, NRDC

#### Nitrates in Groundwater: A Problem in Solution

J.P. Cativiela, Program Coordinator, Dairy CARES Amrith Gunasekara, Science Advisor, California Department of Food and Agriculture Dr. Robert Mikkelsen, Director, Western North America, International Plant Nutrition Other speaker TBA

Conservation: 20 x 2020Ok, Then What?
Charles Bohlig, Supervisor of Water Conservation, East Bay MUD Tracy Quinn, Policy Analyst, Water Program, NRDC Dr. David Sunding, Professor, Agriculture and Resources, UC Berkeley Other speaker TBA

12:15 pm	Lunch
	Tim Palmer, Author, California Glaciers and Rivers of California

2:00 pm	Breakout Sessions:
	California Groundwater: That Sinking Feeling
	Vicki Kretsinger Grabert, Principal Hydrologist, Luhdorff & Scalmanini Consulting Engrs David Orth, General Manager, Kings River Conservation District
	Phoebe Seaton, Co-Founder and Co-Director, Leadership Counsel for Justice and Accountability Dan Wendell, Associate Director, Groundwater, The Nature Conservancy
	IRWMP: Is This a Relationship with Benefits?
	Paula Landis, Chief, Division of IRWM, California Department of Water Resources Carol Mahoney, Integrated Planning Manager, Zone 7 Water Agency John Soulliere, Administrative Officer/Public Affairs, Mission Springs Water District Mark Stadler, Principal Water Resources Specialist, San Diego County Water Authority
	Along the Brine Line: Salty Success
	Celeste Cantu, General Manager, Santa Ana Water Project Authority
	Paul Jones, General Manager, Eastern MWD Michael Markus, General Manager, Orange County Water District* Hope Smythe, Santa Ana Regional Water Quality Control Board
	Agriculture and Drought: The Future is Now?
	Ernest Conant, Partner, Water, Land and Environmental Law, Law Offices of Young Wooldridge
	Dee Dee D'Adamo, Board Member, State Water Resources Control Board Other Speaker TBA
3:30 pm	Break
4:00 pm	Two Environmentalists Walk Into a Bar An Insightful Conversation Between Two Environmental Leaders Talking As if No One was Listening In
	Moderator: Mark Horne, Water Resources Consultant Atkins Cynthia Koehler, Executive Director, WaterNow
	Tina Swanson, Director, Science Center, NRDC
5:15 pm	Adjourn for Day

#### Friday, April 4

9:00 am	Breakout Sessions:		
	Groundwater Management: Solutions are in Sight		
	David Guy, President, Northern California Water Association Maurice Hall, Senior Hydrologist, California Water Program, The Nature Conservancy Joan Maher, Deputy Operating Officer, Water Supply Division, Santa Clara Valley Water District		
	Caren Trgovcich, Chief Deputy Director, State Water Resources Control Board		

Fra	cking:	After	SB4

 Tupper Hull, Vice President, Strategic Communications, Western States Petroleum Association\*
Steven Moore, Board Member, State Water Resources Control Board
Lorelei Oviatt, Director, Kern County Planning and Community Development
Bill Allayaud, Environmental Working Group\*

Jim Branham, Executive Officer, Sierra Nevada Conservancy Steve Brink, Vice President, Public Resources, California Forestry Association John Mills, Consultant, Mountain Counties Water Resources Add Martha Conklin, Professor, UC Merced

Flood Water as the "New Water Source"	
Toby Roy, San Diego County Water Authority	
Melanie Winter, Director, The River Project Other speaker TBA	

10:30 am	Break				
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10:45 am	ТВА
	Speaker TBA

11:45	The BDCP: Is There Light at the End of the Tunnel(s)?					
	Moderator: Tom Philp, Executive Strategist, MWD of Southern California Kim Delfino, California Program Director, Defenders of Wildlife Laura King Moon, Chief Deputy Director, California Department of Water Resources Marguerite Patil, Special Assistant to the General Manager, Contra Costa Water District Jennifer Pierre, Manager, ICF International					

12:45 pm	Adjourn				
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#### **Conference Registration**

#### April 3-4, 2014

Claremont Mckenna College, Claremont California

#### The details

Registration fees include lunch on Thursday, coffee on both days and conference materials. **Early registration deadline is March 14**, **2014.** Registrations received after that will be charged \$50 more. Please see the registration categories at left.

#### How do I register

All registrations will be made online by clicking on the registration box below. We would prefer that you pay in advance with a credit card on our secure payment page. If you wish to pay by check please contact Debbi Dodson at Debbi@CAwaterPolicy.org first.

#### The fine print

Cancellations received in writing before March 21 will be refunded the full amount less a \$50 processing fee. There will be absolutely no refunds for requests received after March 21, 2014, however, substitutions may be made.

#### Questions

If you have additional questions please feel free to contact us either by sending an email to **debbi@CAwaterPolicy.org** or call 858-272-6804.

#### Register for California Water Policy Conference here

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#### **Registration fees**

- Industry and Government
  - Both days \$399
  - Thursday only \$270
  - Friday only \$185
  - Nonprofits
    - Both days \$275
    - Thursday only \$195
    - Friday only \$185
  - Students
    - Both days \$159
    - Thursday only \$100
    - Friday only \$65
  - Add \$50 after March 14
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#### **Featured Speakers**

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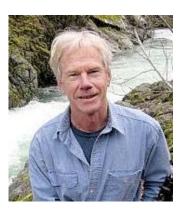


#### Cynthia Koehler, Executive Director, WaterNow

WaterNow is a nonprofit with the mission to promote the transition to a resilient and secure water future, and bring sustainable water solutions to scale. She has been a public interest attorney and environmental advocate in the Bay Area for over 20 years. She has served as the legal director for Save the Bay, legislative director for the Environmental Defense Fund and director of Programs for Carpe Diem West. She is also a Member of the Board of the Marin Municipal Water District.

#### Tina Swanson, Director, NRDC's Science Center

Tina oversees the center's dual mission of expanding NRDC's scientific capabilities as well as increasing the visibility of environmental advocacy efforts. Tina has a Ph.D in Biology from UCLA and is nationally renowned for her leadership on environmental, biological, water quality and water resource management issues. Prior to her move to NRDC Tina was the Executive Director and Chief Scientist for The Bay Institute.



Tim Palmer Author, photographer

Award-winning author and photographer Tim Palmer will present a slide show of stunning images revealing California's rivers and spanning the rainforest of the Smith to the desert of Palm Canyon. While recognizing the effectiveness of our water delivery systems, Tim will focus on the value of the natural rivers remaining as he draws from his acclaimed book, "Rivers of California." Journeying to the headwaters, he will also show the most visible signs of climate change with scenes from his most recent photo documentary, "California Glaciers." Tim will be available to sign books at the conference.



Please check back soon for more noted speakers...

#### Jeff Mount Founding Director, Center for Watershed Sciences, UC Davis

Jeff is now a Senior Fellow at the Public Policy Institute of California will open the conference Thursday morning with what will certainly be a provocative, yet pragmatic view of the current state of California's water and the pathways to sustainability.

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