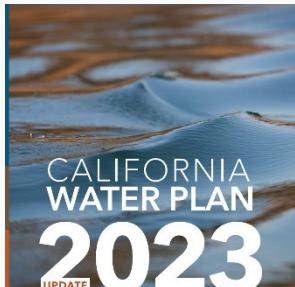




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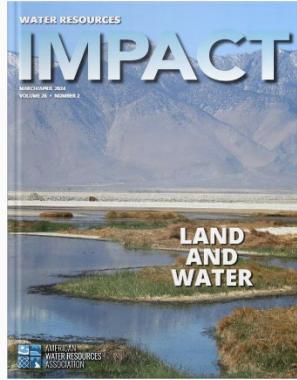


Printed copies of Update 2023, executive summary now available

Printed copies of [California Water Plan Update 2023](#) are being made available by DWR. All requests must be emailed to the [California Water Plan Team](#).

Printed copies of the [Update 2023 Executive Summary](#) are also available.

The [California Water Plan](#) is updated every five years, providing the State's strategic plan for sustainably and equitably managing and developing water resources.



IMPACT journal includes article on California Flood-MAR efforts

The latest issue of the American Water Resources Association's [IMPACT](#) journal focuses on land and water planning and includes an article about the ongoing collaboration in California's [flood-managed aquifer recharge](#) (Flood-MAR) effort. The article includes some of the events and developments that led to the creation of the [Flood-MAR Network](#) and how it identifies resources and opportunities to integrate with other programs. Access to the journal requires submitting a name and email address.



Fact sheet provides pros and cons of using artificial turf in landscapes

As landscape transformation programs grow in popularity, so do conversations about whether artificial turf should be considered as a possible element. The [Alliance for Water Efficiency](#) (AWE) created a [fact sheet](#) to assist in evaluating the pros and cons of utilizing artificial turf in landscape

transformations. In 2019, AWE released the [results of a study](#) that examined the effectiveness of various landscape transformation ideas.

JUST FOR FUN

Denver Water uses music video to promote summer watering rules

The staff at the [Denver Water](#) agency decided they wanted to have a little fun promoting the city's summer watering rules. Performing as the Splashstreet Boys, they created a music video for their song, "[I Water That Way](#)." While the video may remind some music fans of the Backstreet Boys 1999 hit, "[I Want it That Way](#)," the staff hopes their version encourages people to efficiently water their gardens.



State Parks Week to feature opening of new Central Valley site

This year's [California State Parks Week](#) will kickoff with the opening of the [State's newest park, Dos Rios](#). Named for the Tuolumne and San Joaquin rivers, the 1,600-acre park is located eight miles west of Modesto. It is the largest public-private floodplain restoration project in California to restore habitat for threatened and endangered wildlife. State Parks Week runs June 12–16, with the theme, "This is Where You Live." Dos Rios Park will open Wednesday, June 12.



2024 Fresno Madera YF&R Scholarship Application

The Fresno Madera Young Farmers & Ranchers (YF&R) Committee is accepting scholarship applications. Two \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded to a Madera County and a Fresno County student. Recipients are asked to accept the scholarship in person at a Fresno Madera Young Farmers & Ranchers member meeting which date and location will be communicated upon notification of the scholarship award.

To be eligible for consideration, [applications](#) must be received no later than June 30 to info@fcfb.org. Scholarship recipients will be notified by mid-July.

[Click here](#) for the application.

OTHER NEWS

MADERA/CHOWCHILLA RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT



INCREASING POLLINATORS ON YOUR OPERATION

The RCD has funding to help agricultural operations and working lands establish pollinator habitat.

Our RCD will:

Visit your site with a partner biologist specializing in pollinators and native plant species.

Create a plan in collaboration with landowner's needs.

Fund native plant supplies and other materials, if needed.

Monitor habitat and suggest maintenance annually.

Questions? Contact Amy (amy@maderachowchillarcd.org) or Kevin (programs@maderachowchillarcd.org) for more information

  CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FOOD & AGRICULTURE

CDFA Pollinator Plan Funding



The Madera/Chowchilla Resource Conservation District is offering funding opportunities for pollinator plans from the CDFA Conservation Agriculture Planning Grants Program.

This funding is meant to:

- Increase biodiversity of pollinator species on your operation by providing appropriate native plant habitat.

Who can qualify for the program?

- Agricultural operations in Madera and Chowchilla
- Small and historically disadvantaged growers are strongly encouraged to reach out.

For more information:
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[Visit Our Website](https://maderachowchillardcd.org)

 WCB California Wildlife Conservation Board

WCB Pollinator Habitat Implementation Funding



The Madera/Chowchilla Resource Conservation District is offering funding opportunities from the California Wildlife Conservation Board for habitat implementation.

This funding is meant to:

- Increase monarch and pollinator habitat on public and working lands, including agricultural land.

Who can qualify for the program?

- Public and working lands in Madera and Chowchilla
- Small and historically disadvantaged growers are strongly encouraged to reach out.

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IRRIGATION EVALUATIONS

STANISLAUS MERCED MADERA COUNTIES

APRIL THROUGH NOVEMBER

Have an Irrigation Specialist evaluate your existing irrigation system for FREE!



THEY WILL:

- CONDUCT AN IN-FIELD SYSTEM AND SITE EVALUATION
- IDENTIFY ANY SYSTEM INEFFICIENCIES
- DEVELOP FULL CONSERVATION PLAN

TO SCHEDULE AN EVALUATION PLEASE CONTACT:
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EVALUACIONES DE RIEGO

CONDADOS DE STANISLAUS MERCED MADERA

Abril a noviembre

¡HAGA QUE UN ESPECIALISTA EN RIEGO EVALÚE SU SISTEMA DE RIEGO EXISTENTE GRATIS!

ELLOS:

- ✓ Realización de una evaluación de sistemas y sitio en el campo
- ✓ Identificar cualquier inefficiencia del sistema
- ✓ Desarrollar un plan de conservación completo

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The Eastern Madera County Fire Safe Council wants to Hear from Local Residents

If you live in the Eastern Madera County area, the EMCFSC is working on plans for regional high-impact fuel reduction measures, and they want to hear from residents to make sure your voice is accounted for. These plans will be best developed for a more fire-adapted community and fire-resistant landscape by hearing from those who live in the area. This survey will also give insight to the EMCFSC on your thoughts, concerns, and ideas of the projects they will be planning for. If you live in the area and want to take this survey to voice any thoughts as a resident, click the button below today!

[\(1\) - Let me know if you have any questions!](#)
[\(easternmaderacountyfiresafecouncil.com\)](http://easternmaderacountyfiresafecouncil.com)

Domestic Well Mitigation Program in the Chowchilla Subbasin

The Chowchilla Subbasin is pleased to offer a domestic well mitigation program for domestic wells in the Chowchilla Subbasin.

If your domestic well goes dry, please call the program administrator at Chowchilla Water District at 559-665-3747.



RESOURCES AVAILABLE TO WELL OWNERS IN MADERA COUNTY

Residents of Madera County and the Central Valley who have been affected by the impacts of the drought have immediate resources available to help maintain their access to drinking water.

These funds come from the State Water Resources Control Board and most are free to you. Resources include: Bottled Water, Water Tanks, Water Assessment Testing, Water Quality Testing

If you are concerned about your well or out of water for your home,
call [Self-Help Enterprise](#) for:

Bottled Water: 559-802-1284 Water Wells: 559-802-1289

Water Quality: 559-802-1285 Drought Support: 559-802-1685.

Visit our website at:
maderacountywater.com

Have questions on your allocation, measurement, or any other GSA concern?
[Schedule an appointment](#) with us! We can also be reached at (559) 662-8015, at the County Government Building on the third floor, or you can visit us online at maderacountywater.com.