



**DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES AND STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD ANNOUNCE PROP 50 INTEGRATED REGIONAL WATER MANAGEMENT GRANT PROGRAM FINAL PROPOSAL SOLICITATION PACKAGES AVAILABLE FOR REVIEW SOON AND PUBLIC WORKSHOPS ARE SCHEDULED**

The Department of Water Resources (DWR) and the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) plan to issue the FINAL Proposal Solicitation Packages (PSPs) for the Proposition 50, Chapter 8 Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM) Program no later than March 21, 2005. The final PSPs for both the Planning Grants, and Implementation Grants, Step 1 programs will be available on the following web sites:

<http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/funding/irwmgp/index.html>

<http://www.grantsloans.water.ca.gov/grants/integregio.cfm>

The intent of Chapter 8 is for projects to protect communities from drought, protect and improve water quality, and reduce dependence on imported water. The final PSPs provide the instructions for potential applicants to apply for grants under the Chapter 8 Program, and have incorporated several comments received during the comment period held for the draft PSPs.

A series of workshops will be held to provide potential grant applicants with assistance on preparing grant applications for Planning grants and Implementation grants. **All meetings will begin at 10:00 a.m.** These workshops are scheduled on the following dates and locations, and are anticipated to last until about 3:00 p.m., including a break for lunch:

March 22, 2005 - California Environmental Protection Building  
1001 I Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Coastal Hearing Room  
Sacramento, CA 95814

This public workshop will be web broadcast for Internet access at <http://www.calepa.ca.gov/broadcast>. During the broadcast, listeners may e-mail comments or questions to: [dfa\\_grants@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:dfa_grants@waterboards.ca.gov).

March 30, 2005 - Central Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board Office  
Watershed Room 1-3  
895 Aerovista Place  
San Luis Obispo, CA 93401

April 4, 2005 - California Towers Building  
3737 Main Street, Suite 200  
Riverside, CA 92501

April 7, 2005 - Elihu Harris Building  
1515 Clay Street, Auditorium  
Oakland, CA 94612

For more information on the final PSPs and public workshops, contact Tracie Billington, DWR, at (916) 651-9226 or Sudhakar Talanki, State Water Board, at (916) 341-5434. If you received this copy in the mail, we don't have your e-mail address. Please send your e-mail address to [dfa\\_grants@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:dfa_grants@waterboards.ca.gov), so we can add you to our e-mail list.