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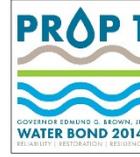
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San Gabriel & Lower Los Angeles RIVERS AND MOUNTAINS CONSERVANCY



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The voters of California approved the Water Quality, Supply, and Infrastructure Improvement Act of 2014 (“Proposition 1” or “Water Bond”) in November 2014 codified as Division 26.7 of the Water Code which authorized \$7.545 billion dollars in general obligation bonds for State water projects, including surface and groundwater storage, ecosystem and watershed protection and restoration, and drinking water protection. The purposes of Proposition 1 is to provide funding to *implement the three objectives of the California Water Action Plan which are more reliable water supplies, restoration of important species and habitat and a more resilient and sustainably managed water infrastructure (Proposition 1, Chapter 2, Section 79701 (e))*. Chapter 6 of Proposition 1 allocates \$30 million to the RMC for competitive grants for multibenefit ecosystem, watershed protection and restoration projects in accordance with statewide priorities (79731(f)).

The RMC as part of Proposition 1 complete grant roll-out will be hosting a series of public meetings in your region. The purpose of the workshops is to review the proposed grant guidelines for the grant program and to gather feedback from the public regarding the guidelines. Afterwards, the RMC will update its grant guidelines and incorporate public comments that will be gathered at these public meetings. The RMC anticipates releasing a Call-for-Projects application in the fall. A total of four workshops will be held within the Gateway Cities, San Gabriel Valley, northern Orange County, and the Santa Clarita Valley.

The schedule for the four workshops is as follows:

Thursday, July 23 at 2:30pm at the Newhall County Water District, 23780 Pine St, Newhall, CA 91321

This meeting will be held in conjunction with the Upper Santa Clara River Integrated Regional Water Management Plan Stakeholder Meeting

Monday, July 27 at 3:00pm at the West Covina City Hall
1444 W Garvey Avenue S, West Covina, CA 91790

Tuesday, July 28 at 3:00pm at the Fullerton City Hall
303 W Commonwealth Ave, Fullerton, CA 92832

Thursday, July 30 at 3:00pm at the Downey City Hall
11111 Brookshire Ave, Downey, CA 90241

The RMC would greatly appreciate your participation at one of these workshops. Please confirm your attendance by emailing your confirmation to either Jose Gardea to josegardea@hotmail.com or by calling (323) 559-1762.

Sincerely,
Mark Stanley
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