



# SWWG Workshop Agenda

## ***DROUGHT: Legal and Legislative Strategies to Protect Our Headwaters***

8:00 am – 8:45 am	<b>Registration and Continental Breakfast</b>		
8:45 am – 9:00 am	<b>Welcome</b> (Main Room) Workshop opening: Liz Mansfield (SWWG) and Peter Pumphrey (State Bar of California, Environmental Law Section)		
9:00 am – 9:45 am	<b>IRWM Region Reports and SWWG Update</b> (Main Room, moderated by Gavin Feiger) Update from each region, focused on how workshop issues are affecting each region and how region is responding.		
9:45 am – 10:15 am	<b>SWWG Data Management System for the Tahoe-Sierra IRWM: A Watershed Mapping Application</b> (Main Room, Liz Mansfield (SWWG), Kate Gladstein (SWWG/SNAP), Tabitha Fraser (Forsgren Associates)) An interactive demonstration of the new tool designed by SWWG and Forsgren Associates to meet and exceed IRWMP requirements for map-based, collaborative data management.		
10:15 am – 10:30 am	<b>Break</b>		
10:30 am – 11:00 am	<b>Guest Speaker from the Governor's Office</b> (Main Room) Debbie Davis-Franco, <i>Community and Rural Affairs Advisor and Local Drought Liaison in the Governor's Office of Planning and Research</i> Speaking about the Governor's Office plans to address drought.		
11:00 am – 12:30 pm	<b>Expert Panel Discussion</b> (Main Room, moderated by Pete Pumphrey) <u>Expert Discussion with Issue Leaders</u> Issues, Available Tools, and Approaches. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Groundwater, focusing on quantification and water easements and leases – <b>Andrew "Andy" Sawyer</b>, <i>California State Water Resources Control Board</i> &amp; <b>Robert "Rob" Sawyer</b>, <i>Remy Moose Manley LLP</i></li> <li>2. Surface Water, focus on Legal tools for protecting in-stream flows, water transactions for the environment, and upper watershed resources – <b>Tom Hicks</b>, <i>Attorney at Law</i></li> <li>3. Disadvantaged Regions and Communities – <b>Tina Cannon Leaby</b>, <i>Assembly Water, Parks &amp; Wildlife Committee</i></li> </ol> The statutory/regulatory context for manipulating and transferring water rights, available tools that address the most issues, and how issue/tool is affected by drought. For example, reasonable and beneficial use as a tool for water quantity and quality protection and legislative engagement tools for shaping policy. <u>Q&amp;A/Discussion will take place in breakout sessions after lunch</u>		
12:30 am – 1:30 pm	<b>Lunch</b> (Outside Terrace, weather permitting)		
1:30 pm – 3:15 pm	<b>Break into issue area groups</b> (each facilitated by the expert from the panel) There will be the Issue Expert from the opening panel with each group to help start strategizing solutions (tools) and methods (approaches) for pursuing them.		
	<b>Issue Area #1: Groundwater</b> Facilitated by Gina Bartlett	<b>Issue Area #2: Surface Water</b> Facilitated by Liz Mansfield	<b>Issue Area #3: DACs</b> Facilitated by Esther Tracy
3:15 pm – 3:30 pm	<b>Break</b>		
3:30 pm - 4:45 pm	<b>Group Session</b> (Main Room, facilitated by Gina Bartlett, Senior Mediator at Consensus Building Institute) What have we learned? Where are we headed? How will we move these tools forward to address challenges in the region?		
4:45 pm – 5:00 pm	<b>Closing</b> (Main Room) Closing remarks from Liz Mansfield and Peter Pumphrey		
5:00 pm – 5:30 pm	<b>Adjourn and Mingling/Snacks</b>		

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## Confirmed Speakers

- **Elizabeth “Liz” Mansfield**, Executive Director of Sierra Water Workgroup
- **Peter Pumphrey**, State Bar of California Environmental Law Section, Lahontan Regional Water Quality Control Board
- **Gavin Feiger**, Sierra Water Workgroup
- **Kate Gladstein**, Sierra Water Workgroup, *Map-based Data Management Systems for IRWM and natural resource planning*
- **Andrew “Andy” Sawyer**, California State Water Resources Control Board, *Tools: Water easements and leases, quantification*
- **Debbie Davis-Franco**, Community and Rural Affairs Advisor and Local Drought Liaison, Governor’s Office of Planning and Research, *The Governor’s Office plans to address drought*
- **Esther Tracy**, Environmental Scientist, Office of Public Participation State Water Quality Control Board, *Disadvantaged Communities*
- **Gina Bartlett**, Senior Mediator at Consensus Building Institute, *Facilitator*
- **Tabitha Fraser**, Forsgren Associates, Inc., *Map-based Data Management Systems for IRWM and natural resource planning*
- **Tina Cannon Leahy**, Assembly Water, Parks & Wildlife Committee, *“legislative engagement tools” for shaping policy*
- **Tom Hicks**, Attorney at Law, *Legal tools for protecting in-stream flows, water transactions for the environment (particular to upper watersheds)*
- **Robert “Rob” Sawyer**, Remy Moose Manley LLP, *Groundwater, focusing on quantification and water easements and leases*

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