



FLOOD-MAR FORUM 2025

GROUNDING IN SUCCESS
GROWING TOWARDS THE FUTURE



WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 5, 2025

9:00 – 5:00 pm + Happy Hour

Registration & Informal Networking

Informal time to connect, settle in, and grab refreshments.

8:15 am

Welcome to the Forum: Grounded in Success, Growing Toward the Future

9:00 am

The Flood-MAR Network Story: Roots, Growth, and New Horizons

Get grounded in the history and evolution of the Flood-MAR Network. This session will connect the dots between foundational efforts, emerging partnerships, and the momentum building toward California's water resilience.

9:10 am

Trailblazers: Reflections from Flood-MAR Influencers

Hear reflections from leaders whose vision helped shape the Flood-MAR movement. Learn from their experiences, celebrate their achievements, and gather insights to guide the next generation.

9:30 am

Visions for the Future: Your Hopes for Flood-MAR

Share your aspirations for the future of Flood-MAR. Through a collaborative activity, we'll begin to build a collective vision for the path ahead.

10:20 am

Break | Snack & Coffee

10:35 am

On the Ground: Lessons from Flood-MAR Implementers

Hear directly from early and more recent adopters of Flood-MAR across California. This two-part session will spotlight successes, innovations, and lessons learned from years of practical experience.

10:50 am

Part 1: Early Adopters

Part 2: More Recent Adopters

11:20 am

DAY 1: AGENDA

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Snapshot Stories: Sharing Your Flood-MAR Wins

What's worked in your region? Capture your Flood-MAR highlights and share your stories to inform the statewide picture of progress.

12:15 pm**Lunch Break****12:30 pm****State of the Recharge State: Policy, Regulatory, & Technical Perspectives**

Get the latest updates from California's groundwater leaders on how Flood-MAR fits into the state's water future, ten years into SGMA implementation. Includes policy, regulatory, and technical updates.

1:30 pm**Tools for the Trade: New Resources for Recharge Planning**

Explore the latest tools and guidance to support recharge planning, including new technical applications and resources.

2:10 pm**Break | Snack & Coffee****2:55 pm****From Plans to Progress: GSP Implementation and Integrated Planning**

Dive into how agencies and organizations are bringing plans to life by aligning recharge, conservation, and groundwater sustainability efforts in diverse regions.

3:10 pm**Clearing the Path: How Can We Unlock More Progress?**

In small groups, reflect on what's helping and hindering Flood-MAR progress, and share insights to shape tomorrow's conversation.

4:15 pm**Day 1 Reflections & Looking Ahead**

Reflect on highlights from Day 1 and preview what's coming on Day 2. Let the conversations and connections continue over happy hour.

4:40 pm**Closing****4:55 pm****Happy Hour & Networking**

Unwind after a full day of inspiration and insight! Join us on the back patio for refreshing drinks, light bites, and great conversation. Reconnect with colleagues, forge new partnerships, and enjoy the relaxed atmosphere as the sun sets on Day 1 of the Forum.

5:00 pm



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9:00 – 4:00 pm

Registration & Informal Networking

Informal time to connect, settle in, and grab refreshments.

8:15 am

Launching Day 2

Welcome back! Revisit key insights from Day 1 and get ready to explore recharge for multiple purposes, from water quality and flood risk to ecosystems and regional scale coordination.

9:00 am

Recharge with Care: Navigating Water Quality

Explore the intersection of recharge and water quality. This session covers data and tools to help guide safe and effective implementation.

9:15 am

Break | Snack & Coffee

10:15 am

Harnessing Extremes: Recharge During Flood Events

Learn how local leaders and state partners are managing high flows to reduce risk and increase resilience, plus the technical tools that support flood-responsive recharge.

10:30 am

Water for Nature: Recharge Strategies with Ecological Benefits

Discover how thoughtfully designed recharge projects can enhance habitat, support instream flows, and contribute to multibenefit outcomes.

11:30 am

Lunch Break

12:00 pm

DAY 2: AGENDA

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Thinking Big: Managing Recharge at Scale

Explore how Flood-MAR is being scaled beyond individual sites. This session features district, watershed, and regional approaches that are advancing recharge through coordination, partnerships, and innovative planning.

1:00 pm**Break | Snack & Coffee****2:15 pm****Unlocking Incentives for Recharge**

From on-farm programs to Proposition 4, this session explores funding tools that can help expand recharge across the state.

2:30 pm**What's Next for Flood-MAR? A Network Call to Action!**

As the Forum concludes, reflect on where we go from here. Learn how to stay involved with Action Teams and help shape "the next big thing" for the Flood-MAR community.

3:20 pm**Adjourn****4:00 pm****Event Website:**<https://cvent.me/7MBr32>