



FLOOD-MAR FORUM

Flood-MAR in Action

Tuesday, November 7, 2023, 12:00 PM - 6:30 PM
Wednesday, November 8, 2023, 9:00 AM - 4:30 PM

Registration Link:

<https://cvent.me/e4Qxxb>

Since the last Flood-MAR Forum in 2021, we experienced a historically wet winter and saw Flood-MAR implementation expand in real-time. This forum aims to share success stories and lessons learned from the landmark wet winter of 2022-2023 and help the Flood-MAR community better prepare for the next wet winter to further advance Flood-MAR implementation for the benefit of communities, ecosystems, and agriculture.

FORUM AGENDA - DAY 1

11:30 AM - 12:30 PM | Registration & Informal Networking

Please join us before the Forum begins for an informal time to connect with other participants and share your work and interests in Flood-MAR. Please feel free to bring your lunch.

12:30 PM - 12:55 PM | Welcome and Setting the Stage

Meagan Wylie - Sacramento State

Mike Antos - Stantec

12:55 PM - 1:10 PM | Agency Secretary Remarks

Wade Crowfoot - Secretary, California Natural Resources Agency

1:10 PM - 1:35 PM | Keynote - *Hear about Tulare Irrigation District's amazing recharge year*

Aaron Fukuda - Tulare Irrigation District

1:35 PM - 2:20 PM | Success Stories and Lessons Learned - *Hear From on-The-Ground Experts and What They Did in 2023*

Christine Gemperle - Grower

Mark Hutson - Grower, Hutson Farm

Julia Barfield - The Nature Conservancy

2:20 PM - 2:35 PM | Break

Snacks and Coffee

2:35 PM - 3:20 PM | Success Stories and Lessons Learned (Continued)

Andy Fisher - U.C. Santa Cruz

Kristin Sicke - Yolo County Flood Control and Water Conservation District
Shane Swartz - Lower San Joaquin Levee District

3:20 PM - 3:40 PM | Table Discussions - Share your success story!

3:40 PM - 4:40 PM | Panel Discussion - *Hear about integrated approaches to advance Flood-MAR*

MODERATOR - Sarah Woolf, Water Wise
Chase Hurley - Water and Land Solutions
Bill Stretch - Fresno Irrigation District
David Guy - Northern California Water Association
Mike Mierzwa - CA Department of Water Resources
Mike Myatt - Environmental Defense Fund

4:40 PM - 5:00 PM | Day 1 Wrap-up - Preparing for Future Wet Years

Daniel Mountjoy - Sustainable Conservation

5:00 PM - 5:15 PM | Closing Reflections

Meagan Wylie - Sacramento State
TBD - TBD

5:15 PM - 6:30 PM | Happy Hour

Please join your fellow forum attendees in a happy hour. We encourage participants to grow their personal networks by engaging one of our speakers from the day and introducing themselves to someone they have not met before!

FORUM AGENDA - DAY 2

9:00 AM - 9:30 AM | Registration & Informal Networking

Please join us before the forum begins for an informal time to connect with other participants and share your work and interests in Flood-MAR. Pastries and coffee during this networking time are provided.

9:30 AM - 9:45 AM | Welcome, Day 1 Recap, and Setting the Stage for Day 2

Meagan Wylie - Sacramento State
Graham Fogg - UC Davis, Network Coordinating Committee Member

9:45 AM - 11:15 AM | State Leaders “Fishbowl” - *Hear about how State agencies are helping to advance Flood-MAR in CA and what more can be done.*

Moderator: [Ashley Boren](#) - Sustainable Conservation

Panelists:

[Paul Gosselin](#) - CA Department of Water Resources

[Jane Dolan](#) - Central Valley Flood Protection Board

[Erik Ekdahl](#) - State Water Resources Control Board

[Don Cameron](#) - President of the California State Board of Food and Agriculture

[Chuck Bonham](#), Director, California Department of Fish and Wildlife

11:15 AM - 11:30 AM | Break

11:30 AM - 12:30 PM | New Innovations in Flood-MAR - *Hear the latest about new tools, guidance, and resources to advance Flood-MAR planning and implementation*

District and Grower Guidance, [Aysha Massell](#) - Sustainable Conservation

Eco-FIP Toolset and Pilot Studies, [Michael Founds](#) - cbec eco engineering

San Joaquin Valley Flood-MAR Dashboard, [Paul Senker](#) - GEI

12:30 PM - 1:30 PM | Lunch

1:30 PM - 2:30 PM | New Innovations in Flood-MAR (Continued)

San Joaquin River Watershed Studies, [Jim Wieking](#) - CA DWR

Sustainable Groundwater Management Office Tools, [TBD](#) - TBD

Fastpath App, [TBD](#) - Stanford University

2:30 PM - 3:05 PM Network in Action - *Hear about what the Network is doing over the next year.*

Estimating Recharge, [TBD](#) - TBD

Water Quality Monitoring, [TBD](#) - TBD

Instream Flows, [TBD](#) - TBD

3:05 PM - 3:20 PM | Break

Snacks and coffee

3:20 PM - 3:50 PM Network in Action (Continued)

Assessing Policy, [TBD](#) - TBD

Incentives for Recharge, [TBD](#) - TBD

Flood-MAR HUB, [Yara Pasner](#) - UC Davis

3:50 PM - 4:05 PM | Table Discussions - What are your priorities to prepare for the next wet year?

Discussion and Report Outs

4:05 PM - 4:25 PM | Agency Secretary Closing Remarks

Karen Ross - Secretary, California Department of Food and Agriculture

4:25 PM - 4:30 PM | Closing Reflections

Meagan Wylie - Sacramento State

4:30 PM Adjourn