

California Drought Resilience Interagency and Partners Collaborative

A state interagency and public task force on drought planning, response, and management

The Department of Water Resources invites you to apply to become a member of the upcoming Drought Resilience Interagency and Partners (DRIP) Collaborative.

Background: Senate Bill 552 directs DWR, in collaboration with the State Water Resources Control Board and other relevant state agencies, to establish a standing interagency drought and water shortage task force for the State. The purpose and scope of this task force is to facilitate proactive state planning and coordination for pre-drought planning, drought emergency response, and post-drought recovery; to develop strategies to enhance collaboration between various fields; and to develop these plans, responses, and strategies in a way that considers all types of water users.

Task Force Structure: The task force membership will include representatives from a wide range of water-relevant interested parties. One appointee from eight different state agencies will participate on the task force, and two appointees from each of the following groups will be selected to participate: local governments, community-based organizations, Tribal representation, nonprofit technical assistance providers, the public, agriculture, environment, public water systems, and experts in land use planning, water resilience, and water infrastructure.

Eligibility: Each non-state agency member is expected to serve on the DRIP Collaborative for a two-year term. Two members will be selected to represent each of the following membership categories:

- The Public
- Environmental
- Agriculture
- Tribal Governments
- Experts in land use planning, water resilience, and water infrastructure
- Public water systems (urban and small water suppliers)
- Local Government
- Non-profit technical assistance providers
- Community-based organizations



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CALL FOR TASK FORCE MEMBERS!

How to Become a Member: If you are interested in becoming a member of the DRIP Collaborative, submit your letter of interest in becoming a task force member today!

Instructions: Please address each of the following questions to help us understand your interest in participating as a member in the California Drought Resilience Interagency and Partners Collaborative:

1. What membership category are you interested in representing, and to what region do you bring expertise and focus?
2. Are you able to commit to attending three DRIP Collaborative meetings per year for the 2-year term?
3. What would you expect to contribute to the DRIP Collaborative in terms of improving coordination to support drought resilience in California?
4. Describe a positive experience of effectively collaborating across interested parties and what made it effective.



Format: Please fill out the [form here](#) to submit the answers to the above questions. The form is also available by following the QR Code.

Alternatively, you may use the [PDF template available here](#) to submit by email to DRIP@water.ca.gov

When to Submit: Submit your letter of interest by **February 24, 2023**.

Questions: For questions, please send an email to DRIP@water.ca.gov or call Julie Ekstrom at 916-612-4371.

The State and DWR are committed to ensuring publicly accessible and equitable inclusion in future meetings. Translation services will be made available upon request.