



NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT AN INTEGRATED REGIONAL WATER MANAGEMENT PLAN

The Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors will consider adoption of the Santa Barbara County wide Integrated Regional Water Management Plan (IRWM) Plan at its regular Board Meeting on July 1, 2014. The meeting will begin at 9:00 am at the Board of Supervisor's Hearing Room, 4th Floor, 105 East Anapamu Street, Santa Barbara, CA 93101. Remote testimony and/or comment can also be given at the Board of Supervisor's Hearing Room at the Betteravia Government Center, 511 East Lakeside Parkway, Santa Maria 93455.

The original Santa Barbara IRWM plan was adopted in 2007 and includes projects and programs that are designed to meet the regions needs for water supply reliability, environmental protection, water quality, recycled water needs, and flood protection. Since the adoption of the plan, a number of projects identified in the IRWMP have been completed and new projects have been identified. Eligibility for project funding through the State Department of Water Resources' IRWM program required Plans to be updated to meet new state requirements. The Santa Barbara IRWM Plan 2013 was updated according to [Proposition 84 IRWM Guidelines](#).

Two regional planning studies, the **Groundwater Basin Assessment in Support of a Salt and Nutrient Management Plan** and the **South Coast Subregion Recycled Water Development Plan** were developed as part of the Update and will be incorporated into the 2013 Plan. The Groundwater Basin Assessment in Support of a Salt and Nutrient Management Plan was developed primarily for the Santa Maria Valley Groundwater Basin and the South Coast Subregion Recycled Water Development Plan was a study to gather information that can lead to the increased use of recycled water use in the South Coast sub-region.

For more information on the IRWM Plan, IRWM Program, and on Proposition 50 and 84 grants which have funded County projects, please consult the County's website:

<http://www.countyofsb.org/pwd/pwwater.aspx?id=16852> or by contacting Bret Stewart, County Department of Public Works, at (805) 568-3041. DWR's IRWMP site also provides information at : <http://www.water.ca.gov/irwm/> .