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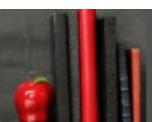
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Thursday, April 22, 2021

12:30 p.m.	Check-In
12:45 p.m.	Welcome & Introductions, Workshop Overview <i>Jenn Bowles, Executive Director, Water Education Foundation</i> <i>Nick Gray, Programs Director, Water Education Foundation</i>
Session 1	California's Natural Water Endowment <i>Byron Buck, Director of Natural Resources, Conaway Preservation Group</i> Overview of California water geography, history and hydrology. Topics covered: major water infrastructure projects, wild and scenic rivers, groundwater, flood management and alternative supplies.
	Break
Session 2	Public & Private Rights in Water <i>Jennifer Harder, Associate Professor, McGeorge School of Law</i> Understanding riparian, appropriative, tribal and groundwater rights in California; an overview of reasonable and beneficial use; public trust law and related cases.
	Break
Session 3	Legal & Institutional Management Framework <i>Rebecca Smith, Partner, Downey Brand</i> Understanding the water management institutions and regulatory agencies in California and their respective roles, summary of governing laws at both the state and federal level.
	Break
4:00 p.m.	Live Q&A Session with Speakers in Breakout Rooms
5:00 p.m.	Closing Remarks & Water Map Giveaways
5:15 p.m.	Adjournment + Optional Virtual Happy Hour



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Session 4	Fundamentals of California Groundwater <i>Thomas Harter, Professor, University of California, Davis</i> Overview of California groundwater; its importance in the state's water supply, its history of use and overuse and the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act.
	Break
Session 5	Understanding & Working with the Legislature <i>Dennis O'Connor, Principal Consultant, California State Senate Committee on Natural Resources and Water</i> The real-life process of passing landmark legislation and how you can participate, current and future water issues and priorities for the California legislature.
	Break
Session 6	Hot Topics in California Water <i>Tina Cannon Leahy, Attorney IV, State Water Resources Control Board</i> Discussion of current issues in water management in California, including water equity, Delta & flows, new Federal administration, and drought.
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