



February 4-5, 2016 West Sacramento City Hall 1110 West Capitol Ave. West Sacramento, CA

## Deepen Your Knowledge of this Critical Resource!

This day-and-a-half course offers you the opportunity to learn California water basics, hot topics and water district board member governance. The course will be held **February 4 and 5, 2016**, at the West Sacramento City Hall, 1110 West Capitol Ave., in West Sacramento. *The course will run from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. on February 4, and 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. on February 5*.

Water 101 is open to anyone interested in learning more about the history of and the management structure of water in California, and about the key water issues facing the state – including **the drought, groundwater management, El Niño and the 2014 water bond**. The course will be especially beneficial to water resource industry staff, engineering and environmental firm personnel, attorneys, legislators, legislative staff, press, advocates, stakeholders, environmentalists, public interest organizations and water district directors and staff.

## **TOP SPEAKERS INCLUDE:**

- **Lester Snow**, former California natural resources secretary and director of the state Department of Water Resources who now heads the **California Water Foundation**, discussing the crisis of groundwater management and other hot topics such as the Delta.
- Dennis O'Connor, Principal Consultant, California Senate Committee on Natural Resources and Water, discussing working with and understanding the state Legislature and current legislative proposals.
- Attorney and McGeorge Law School Professor Jennifer Harder, providing an overview of California's water rights system.
- > And many more!

## **EDUCATIONAL SESSIONS**

- Educational sessions the first day will include discussions on:
- > California's natural water environment
- *le* > Water use and demand > Current issues in water management
  - > The legal and institutional management framework

On the second day participants will be provided with

- A governance primer for water district directors that will include the roles and responsibilities of a director, legal requirements of board members.
- ► Tips on understanding the news media.

**COST: \$275** Registration fee includes all educational materials, coffee breaks, lunch on February 4 and a *graduation certificate* upon completion of the day-and-a-half course.

One-day-only registration for February 4: \$225.

A limited number of scholarships are available and will be determined on a case-by-case basis.

To register or get more information, go online at **www.watereducation.org/conferences** or contact the Water Education Foundation at 916-444-6240 with any questions.