

Central Valley Water Tour

March 8-10, 2017

Field Trip

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Join us as we venture through California's Central Valley, known as the nation's breadbasket thanks to an imported supply of surface water and local groundwater wells. The valley provides 25 percent of the nation's food, including 40 percent of all fruits, nuts and vegetables consumed throughout the country.

This 3-day, 2-night tour focuses on the southern part of this vast region, the San Joaquin Valley, which spans more than 15,000 square miles across eight counties. After years of severe drought, it is facing numerous challenges, including dwindling surface water supplies, decreasing water quality, habitat degradation and groundwater overdraft. This tour gives participants an understanding of the region's water use and issues as well as the agricultural practices, including new technologies and water-saving measures.

Topics will include:

- Water supply and drought
- Impacts of growth
- Flood management
- Groundwater use
- Surface water storage and delivery
- Groundwater overdraft and land subsidence
- Wetlands
- Salmon restoration
- Agricultural supply and drainage
- Sustainable Groundwater Management Act

This fast-paced tour begins at 7:30 a.m., Wednesday, March 8 at the Sacramento International Airport and will return there at approximately 6 p.m., Friday, March 10.

Registration: \$790 per person, **Early Bird Discount** for purchase before February 8 is \$765. Fee includes all meals, transportation, materials, snacks and hotel accommodations while on the tour.

Deadline to cancel and receive a full refund is 5 p.m. February 22 due to hotel, meal and transportation bookings.

Substitutions may be made through Friday, March 3.

This tour is cosponsored by the California Department of Water Resources and the Bureau of Reclamation Mid-Pacific Region.

Planned Stops Include:

- San Luis Reservoir
- Kern Water Bank
- San Joaquin River
- Terminus Dam
- Mendota Pool
- Friant Dam
- San Luis National Wildlife Refuge

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or call Tour Director Dan Scott at (916) 444-6240. Seating is limited.