

A misty, mountainous landscape with evergreen trees and a field in the foreground. The scene is overcast and atmospheric, with a soft, grey light filtering through the clouds. The foreground shows a field with some dry grass or reeds. The middle ground is filled with a dense forest of evergreen trees. In the background, a large, rocky mountain peak rises above the clouds. The overall mood is serene and somewhat somber.

# **Coordinating Across the Region Sierra Water Workgroup**

Integrated Regional Water Management  
Conference

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# *Sierra Water Workgroup Stakeholders*

## Integrated Regional Water Management Groups (11)

Upper Pitt River Watershed

Upper Feather River Watershed

Yuba River

Cosumnes, American, Bear and Yuba  
Tahoe-Sierra

Tuolumne/Stanislaus

Inyo-Mono

Tahoe Sierra

Mokelumne Amador Calaveras

Yosemite Mariposa

Madera

Southern Sierra

## Regional Organizations:

Sierra Nevada Alliance

Sierra Business Council

American Rivers

Mountain Counties Water Resource  
Association

California Tahoe Conservancy

Sierra Nevada Conservancy

Department of Water Resources

Department of Fish & Game

Regional Council of Rural Counties

U.S. Forest Service

# Sierra Water Workgroup Objectives

## The group addresses water issues of concern to the Sierra by:

- Coordinating amongst local and regional water plans;
- Exchanging information and tools for water and watershed management amongst stakeholders in the region;
- Serving as an information source regarding state and federal water policy issues for local governments, nonprofits, and other stakeholders;
- Advocating for Sierra water issues in state and federal legislative and administrative forums; and
- Raising the profile of the Sierra to increase private, state and federal funding opportunities;



# *SWWG Actions*

- 2013 Tasks
  - Coordination between IRWM's on regional planning & projects
  - SWWG Summit June 11-13 Tahoe Event Center Kings Beach
  - Sierra IRWM tours



# *SWWG Summery*

- Climate change will have a significant impact on the Sierra Region
- Many Sierra IRWM groups are in the initial stages of planning
- Funding and DAC's are challenges
- Coordination and integration of activities is key to region-wide success

