Tapping New Opportunities for Water and Health: Greening Water Infrastructure, Jobs and Policy for Multiple Health Outcomes

Wednesday, October 28, 2015

12 pm – 1 pm

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**Webinar 2 — Agriculture and Drought: Implications for Food Security**

*July 22, 2015, 12-1 pm*

Healthy regional food systems are a foundation of healthy communities, but how can we preserve local agriculture in the face of threatened water supplies? This question forms the central theme of our webinar on agriculture and water. We will hear more about the changing face of agriculture, future threats, and the host of possible health risks of drought-related agricultural changes. We will address some concrete ways health departments can support healthy agriculture in Southern California.

**Webinar 1 — Drought Impacts on Disadvantaged Communities: Mitigation Strategies**

*June 24, 2015, 12-1 pm*

This webinar will survey the effects of the drought on disadvantaged communities, including the affordability of water for basic needs, populations without access to water and/or clean drinking water, and the economic and food security impacts in drought-stricken agricultural areas among other issues. Special attention will be paid to the multiplier effects of multiple risk factors. The webinar will address strategies and actions to mitigate the most severe public health impacts.

**INTRODUCTORY WEBINAR — Water and Health 101**

*May 27, 2015, 12-1 pm*

This webinar will provide an overview of Southern California water sources, distribution, and use, as well as projections of what climate-related water changes we can anticipate in the future. It will provide a framework to understand the public health impacts of climate-related changes in the water cycle and discuss the role of health leaders in this rapidly changing physical and political landscape.

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Introducing our Speakers:

Caren Trgovcich
Chief Deputy Director
State Water Resources Control Board

Alvaro Sanchez
Environmental Equity Director
Greenlining Institute
Discussion and Q&A

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• Office of Sustainability for Local Health Dept. and State collaboration. How to bring perspective and info to this office?
  – [www.waterboards.ca.gov](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov) -- “financial assistance” → Office of Sustainability. Contact info and newsletter (for funding ops. and TA), direct assistance opportunities. Created to consolidate support communities need, including 1-stop application process for multiple funding streams.

• New opportunities w/ Drinking Water Dept. given transition?
  – Working on integration and streamlining.

• Sample Language for infrastructure awards?
  – Will share resources after the webinar. Included in reports.
  – Upstream prevention, income security, healthy places – this is the language that resonates with officials. Public Health has role in making this case.

• Climate Action Plans – how to integrate principles in plans?
  – $ hasn’t been approved. Need to support concept to officials.
  – Collecting letters of support for ongoing process to support plans that are lacking funding that would make successful.
  – Connect w/ folks on the ground to ensure that plans meet community needs.
Discussion and Q&A

• What considerations to think about when thinking about green infrastructure and potential for gentrification?
  – Strategies have room to grow. Cities struggling w/ gentrification.
  – Link infrastructure improvements to supporting economic opportunities to people who live in the community. Requirements for local hire.
Thank You to our Speakers!

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Final upcoming webinar in the series:

- November 18 (12 – 1 pm):
  Assessing High Opportunity Next Steps: Reconvening Leadership, Environmental Health and Nutrition
Water and Health Webinar Series

Water Crisis Strategies for Public Health Leaders

Water, Drought and Environmental Health

Drought, Climate and the Food We Eat (Nutrition)

Thank you for joining the conversation!

The recording and slides will be available shortly at
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Questions?
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