



2009 Summer Symposium

A Time for Changing Values, Ideas, and Solutions in Water Management: Are California's Communities Sustainable?

**Sacramento Chapters of the
Environmental & Water Resources Institute of the American Society of Civil
Engineers / ASCE Committee on Sustainability / and the
Floodplain Management Association**

**Thursday, July 23, 2009
8:00 am to 6:00 pm
Hyatt Regency
Sacramento**

Come participate in a lively debate among community leaders, water resource/flood protection managers, elected officials, State and Federal regulators, and environmental stewardship advocates! We will be discussing the changing values, priorities, and challenges facing future water resources management as a critical means of achieving the long-term sustainability of California's communities and our diverse environmental ecosystems.

Join in with our panelists and moderators as they discuss:

- ♦ **New and changing values in how we, as a society, prioritize competing water resource needs;**
- ♦ **Possible new trade-offs in balancing social, economic and environmental values;**
- ♦ **How well our current governance structure and regulations address this balance;**
- ♦ **Obstacles within the technical, administrative, and/or institutional arenas that have, or can hamper sustainability objectives;**
- ♦ **Essential planning elements to achieve sustainability;**
- ♦ **How available funding, through an equitable system of priorities, risks, and cost-benefits, can best be allocated in achieving sustainability across a maximum number of ecosystems; and**
- ♦ **Possible means of creating a statewide sustainability platform without endless, duplicative, or circuitous planning.**

