





The Delta Science Program, Ecosystem Restoration Program & Surface Water Ambient Monitoring Program Jointly Present a Brown Bag Seminar Series

## California Water Quality Monitoring Council

Increasing Efficiency & Effectiveness Through Collaboration



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## Are we coordinated?

Government agencies, regulated entities, grant recipients, and other groups annually spend millions of dollars to monitor California's water quality and ecosystem health. These efforts are extensive but varying mandates, monitoring objectives, and data collection methods make it difficult to integrate the resultant data. In addition, there is no unified user-friendly location to store and access this information. To address these critical environmental assessment and infrastructure limitations, the California Water Quality Monitoring Council (CWQMC) was established. In 2010 CWQMC published *A Comprehensive Monitoring Program Strategy for California*. This document provides guidance on coordinating water quality and ecosystem monitoring, assessment, and reporting efforts across organizations thereby improving efficiency and effectiveness. These coordination efforts are essential to support adaptive management and a more resilient Delta ecosystem.

This presentation will cover the CWQMC's goals and ongoing efforts to increase collaboration through theme-specific interagency workgroups and make monitoring data and assessment information available to the science and management community via <a href="https://www.MyWaterQuality.ca.gov">www.MyWaterQuality.ca.gov</a>.