

## San Diego IRWM Program RAC Meeting #90

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April 7, 2021

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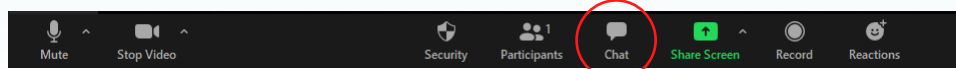
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## Wildfire/Water Nexus Seat

- RWMG added a new voting seat in 2021
  - The RAC voted to approve the addition of a **Wildfire-Water Nexus** seat at the February RAC Meeting
  - The seat was envisioned based on RAC discussions in October and December
  - Included in the **Natural Resources & Watersheds** caucus
- The seat will represent the perspective of wildfire's relationship with and post-fire impacts on water resource management, including water quality, flood, and infrastructure safety, and resilience

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## Wildfire/Water Nexus Seat

- Applications accepted from February 12 until March 8
- The Membership Workgroup met March 11
- **Chief Don Butz** was selected for the Wildfire/Water Nexus Seat, welcome!
- Thank you Workgroup Members!
  - **Rania Amen**, Water Supply
  - **Patrick McDonough**, Water Quality
  - **Phil Pryde**, Natural Resources and Watersheds
  - **Eric La Chappa**, Tribal
  - **Jennifer Hazard**, DAC/EJ
  - **Mark Seits**, Other
  - **Karina Danek**, RWMG
  - **Stephanie Gaines**, RWMG
  - **Mark Stadler**, RWMG



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## Update from the Department of Water Resources Financial Assistance Branch on State Priorities, Grants, and Tribal (CivicSpark) Activities

*Carmel Brown, Branch Chief*

*Marisa Perez-Reyes, Water Resources Engineer*

*Maria Lorenzo-Lee, Senior Water Resources Engineer*

*Bryan Redden, CivicSpark Fellow*

*Department of Water Resources*

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## Conservation Home Makeover

*Leslie Reynolds and Patrice Baker, Groundwork  
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## Long Term Conservation Regulations Update

*Elizabeth Lovsted, San Diego County Water Authority*

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## Advancing the Nexus of Water and Equity

*Darbi Berry, San Diego Regional Climate Collaborative*

View the Climate Collaborative [StoryMap](#)

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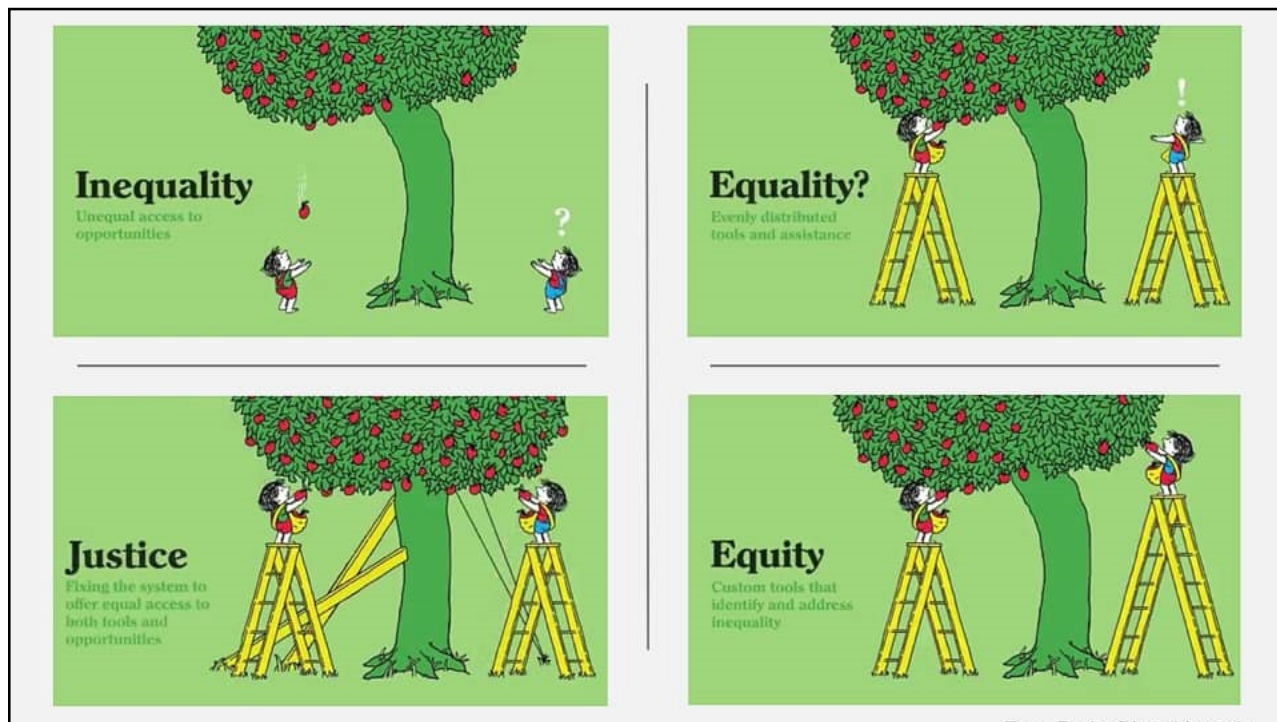
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## Justice, Equity, Diversity & Inclusion (JEDI) Workgroup Update



- Justice, Equity, Diversity & Inclusion (JEDI) Workgroup formed and scheduling is currently underway
  - Planning to hold 4 meetings April - July
- 17 volunteers representing diverse group of agencies and NGOs
- The first meeting in April will set goals and review draft JEDI definitions

JEDI Workgroup Recommendation

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RAC Review and Recommendation to RWMG

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RWMG Approval

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## JEDI Workgroup Objectives

- **Define** justice, equity, diversity, and inclusion as related to SDIRWM
- **Establish** justice, equity, diversity, and inclusion goals for the SDIRWM Program that incorporate the definitions developed above, and metrics to evaluate progress towards meeting these goals
- **Examine** project scoring and selection processes and make recommendations to meet established goals
- **Consider** SDIRWM activities and identify opportunities for meaningful access to and involvement in the program
- **Identify** resources with local JEDI expertise, data, and knowledge

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## Grant Administration

*Loisa Burton, San Diego County Water Authority*

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## *Public Comments*

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## Current Funding Opportunities

Project Types	Deadline	Website
WaterSMART Grants: Water Marketing Strategy Grants FY 2021	TODAY: April 7	<a href="https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppld=331273">https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppld=331273</a>
WaterSMART: Title XVI WIIN Water Reclamation and Reuse Projects	April 23 at 3:00 PM	<a href="https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppld=332329">https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppld=332329</a>
Prop 1 Technical Assistance Funding Program	Open: rolling	<a href="https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/grants_loans/proposition1/tech_asst_funding.html">https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/grants_loans/proposition1/tech_asst_funding.html</a>
Water Desalination Grant Program	Open: rolling	<a href="https://water.ca.gov/News/Public-Notices/2020/Sept-2020/Water-Desal-Grant-CAP">https://water.ca.gov/News/Public-Notices/2020/Sept-2020/Water-Desal-Grant-CAP</a>

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## 2021 RAC Meeting Schedule

- Next RAC Meeting: June 2, 2021
- 2021 Meeting Schedule:
  - August 4, 2021
  - October 6, 2021
  - December 1, 2021

- Regular Meetings Held First Wednesday of Every Other Month -

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