

PLEASE JOIN US FOR:

**Watsonville Slough
Critical Coastal Areas Pilot Project
Winter Workshop**

When: Thursday, January 19, 2007, 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
(Lunch provided)

Where: Wetland Educational Resource Center
500 Harkins Slough Road, Watsonville

To Register: Please email Linda Russio at Linda@sfei.org

THE GOALS OF THE WORKSHOP ARE TO:

- Update stakeholders on the progress of the technical team (SFEI and ABAG) so far in Phase I ;
- Engage in an interactive discussion regarding information gaps and needs specifically directed towards a GIS mapping tool and future Management Measures and Best Management Practices that can be used to improve water quality in the watersheds that drain to the Sloughs; and
- Develop ideas and priority projects/issues for moving forward into Phase II, as well as ways to maximize benefits from multiple funding sources with similar goals (e.g., Agricultural Water Quality Grant, Integrated Regional Water Management grant)

(See Draft Agenda attached.)

A key component is the input and feedback from all who attend in shaping the tools that are being developed by the technical team to facilitate sustainable land use planning and education efforts to improve water quality. The technical team will be providing maps and other products which present the analysis completed so far.

This is an excellent opportunity to:

- Assess where we have been, where we are now, and where we can go to collaboratively improve the aquatic health of the Sloughs and their watersheds;
- Identify next steps for moving the project forward into Phase II; and
- Where funds should be spent.

We look forward to seeing you at the meeting!

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DRAFT AGENDA

TOPIC	TIME
Registration	9:30-10:00
Welcome	10:00-10:10
Goals of Meeting and Introductions	10:10-10:25
Overview of how CCA fits into the broad framework of the California NPS Implementation (and Enforcement) Policy	10:25-11:00
History of Watsonville Slough	11:00-11:15
Vision for the Community and Timeline (interactive)	11:15-11:50
Working map of issues in the watershed (interactive)	11:50-12:30
Presentation of GIS Mapping Tool	12:30-1:00
Lunch and Discussion (interactive)	1:00-1:45
Reporting back and Discussion	1:45-2:45
Phase II Workplan and Ideas for Coordination with other Grants/Projects	2:45-3:30
Wrap Up, Next Steps and Evaluation	3:30-4:00