Social Media Toolkit:
Bringing Water & Land Use Together

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How are water and land use connected? A better question might be how are they NOT connected?! These systems are highly reliant on one another - so why is it that the two sectors are treated so separately? Learn how to overcome these barriers in a new report "Bringing Water and Land Use Together", prepared by the Local Government Commission on behalf of the Community Foundation Water Initiative and the Funders’ Network for Smart Growth and Livable Communities: https://www.lgc.org/resource/water-and-land-use/

While water management and land-use planning remain highly fragmented across the state, opportunities to reconnect water and land use exist! We are making progress toward a more integrated approach through state-level policies, regulations and guidance. Check out this report to learn more - Bringing Water and Land Use Together:
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Cohesive planning across the state of California is critical when identifying solutions to California’s water challenges. Our outdated approach to planning and management doesn’t adequately consider the growing impacts from climate change. A recent report - Bringing Water and Land Use together - provides several statewide recommendations to overcoming these limitations. Check it out here!

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California is diverse in many ways; not least of which is economically! Not only is it the home to over 120 billionaires, but nearly 20% of the population lives below the poverty line. Beyond the wealth gap, inequities reveal themselves through the condition of our natural resources, community health, social well being, and overall resilience in the face of climate change. Integrating water management and land-use planning can help make the necessary changes to fix the system before our environment and our communities give out on us. Check out these recommendations on equitably integrating water and land-use at both the regional and statewide scale:

There are many actions we can take to integrate water management and land-use planning. We can use our collective momentum on existing projects, advocate for state-level policy change in water governance, and invest in local leadership development and community education!


Here are 3 actions to take to integrate water & land-use planning: (1) Use our collective momentum on existing projects, (2) Advocate for state-level policy change in water governance & (3) Invest in local leadership development and community education! http://bit.ly/2VhZDqf
How should we consider the impacts of climate change for future water and land-use planning? The first step is recognizing that many climate solutions are interconnected, and cross-collaboration is necessary to successfully addressing these issues. (1/4)

Statewide Recommendations that have been identified include: upgrade existing buildings before building new; coordinate resource planning; align data for regional land use & water management; and multi-solve through local green infrastructure. (2/4)

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Regional Recommendations to integrate water & land-use include advocating for water access & affordability in underserved communities; develop local leadership; encourage regional collaboration; and build political will for alignment between sectors. (3/4)

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Clearly solutions exist to address the challenging issues that resulted from climate change and disconnected planning. We can do a better job and be better prepared if we follow these recommendations! (4/4) [http://bit.ly/2V1xNti](http://bit.ly/2V1xNti)