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# STORMWATER REPORT

## *Making the Dream Work*

*This issue of [Stormwater Report](#) proposes a 2022 New Year's resolution for the stormwater sector: Seek out and seize opportunities to collaborate. Whether you work with drinking water, wastewater, or stormwater, we can all improve the way our organizations operate by breaking down silos, maintaining frequent and open communication, and approaching water as the singular resource it is. Stormwater professionals can work alongside groundwater and drinking water professionals, for example, to address shrinking snowpack in arid, mountainous regions like the western U.S., or alongside wastewater professionals to curb the influence of coastal nitrogen discharges on global water quality.*

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issues.

*Editor's Note: On Thursday, Jan. 6, you may have received a copy of our December newsletter, titled "From Insight to Action". This was sent in error. We regret any confusion this mistake may have caused.*

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## [Scientists Predict Snowless Future for Western U.S.](#)

*Historically providing as much as 75% of annual water supplies to the arid western U.S., snowmelt is one of the region's most critical resources. Recent years, however, have seen western U.S. snowmelt volumes become both less predictable and less reliable. By the end of the 21st century, research suggests snowmelt volumes will continue to dwindle or even disappear altogether. [A new review paper offers a potential timeline for changes in snowmelt over the coming decades](#).*

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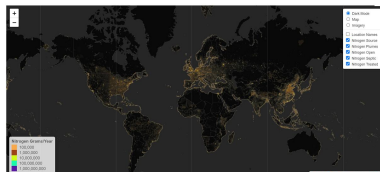
## [Sacramento Park Targets Flooding With Massive, Underground Vault](#)

*After a recently completed renovation project, a massive, 23-million-L (6-million-gal) underground stormwater tank now sits beneath East Sacramento's McKinley Park. The \$25-million USD tank, the third "water vault" to be installed within city limits, aims to mitigate nuisance CSOs that have historically plagued McKinley Park and its surroundings. [Read more about the stormwater-focused McKinley Park renovation project](#).*



## [Global Nitrogen Model Promotes Stormwater-Wastewater Teamwork](#)

*A new global model suggests that wastewater discharges — treated or untreated — collectively contribute a much larger fraction of total nutrient pollution to oceans than previously understood. According to the model, wastewater discharges add about 6.2*



trillion grams of nitrogen to coastal waters each year. About twice as much comes from agricultural runoff each year. [Learn about how the free, online model can facilitate coordination between wastewater and stormwater managers.](#)

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## [Meet WEF's Newest Stormwater Leaders](#)

At WEFTEC 2021, the WEF Stormwater Committee welcomed Mark Doneux and the WEF Stormwater Institute Advisory Committee welcomed Scott Taylor as their 2021-2023 chairs. [Get familiar with the new chairs and their plans, priorities, and perspectives for their leadership terms.](#)



## [\\$3 Million in Prizes Offered for Coastal Resilience Innovations](#)

RISE's newly announced Coastal Community Resilience Challenges seek solutions to help bolster coastal Virginia communities against the effects of climate change. Winning ideas in two categories, respectively geared toward rural and urban regions, will earn substantial financial and technical implementation support. [Submissions for the Coastal Community Resilience Challenges are open through January 10.](#)

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## [Stormwater Summit 2022 Seeks Exhibitors and Sponsors](#)

Stormwater Summit 2022 takes place June 27-29 in Minneapolis. Learn how you can participate in the event as a sponsor or exhibitor [at the event's website](#) or by contacting

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