

Editorial: California needs a water strategy

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As we eagerly anticipate the rain of El Niño that is promised to start this month, we are hearing a growing drumbeat to find more and better ways to save that rainwater for California's next drought.

The expected wet winter will trigger more talk of building additional reservoirs in California. As we watch the rain wash out to the ocean, those of us who have so diligently cut back on our shower time and allowed our lawns to turn brown this summer will start thinking more dams and lakes are just what California needs.

It does seem like a good idea to have additional reservoir capacity to capture the water in the rainy years to save for the dry ones. But, like most everything else in California, it's all about the money.

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