

WARS Update Progress Report

Inception (what to build)				Elaboration (how to build it)				Construction (build it)				Transition (use it)				Close-out (wrap up)			
2025				2026				2027				2028				2029			
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Progress Report (March 2025)

- The Water Availability Team (staff lead: Ryan Andrews) is leading development of the Surface Water Information Modeling System (SWIMS) as a modern update to the Water Availability Reporting System (WARS).
- SWIMS will summarize water availability information that reflects recent climate conditions for watersheds across the state.
- In coordination with the Hydrographics program and Field Services Division, the project team is taking field trips to evaluate sites for the addition of 10 new streamgages.
- The Hydrographics program is also leading an effort to publish more than 1,000 years of streamflow records for 139 gages of interest to the project.
- A Technical Advisory Group of subject matter experts is being created to obtain feedback that will inform how the water availability model is developed.
- Information Technology is leading the build of a development database to support project work.
- A policy review and assessment is being scoped – the effort will align project outcomes with necessary legal authority, policy – the policy lead (Laura Tesler) will engage with relevant staff.