



A Meeting of the  
**BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
 OF THE  
 CENTRAL COAST WATER AUTHORITY**

will be held at 9:00 a.m., on Thursday, July 27, 2023  
 at 255 Industrial Way, Buellton, California 93427

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Eric Friedman  
 Chairman

Jeff Clay  
 Vice Chairman

Ray A. Stokes  
 Executive Director

Brownstein Hyatt  
 Farber Schreck  
 General Counsel

*Member Agencies*

City of Buellton

Carpinteria Valley  
 Water District

City of Guadalupe

City of Santa Barbara

City of Santa Maria

Goleta Water District

Montecito Water District

Santa Ynez River Water  
 Conservation District,  
 Improvement District #1

*Associate Member*

La Cumbre Mutual  
 Water Company

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**I. Call to Order and Roll Call**

**II. Closed Session**

- A. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION Initiation of litigation pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9(d) (4): 1 case
- B. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION  
 Government Code section 54956.9(d) (1)  
 Name of case: Central Coast Water Authority, et al. v. Santa Barbara County Flood Control and Water Conservation District, et al. (Case No. 21CV02432)

**III. Return to Open Session**

**IV. Public Comment – (Any member of the public may address the Board relating to any matter within the Board’s jurisdiction. Individual Speakers may be limited to five minutes; all speakers to a total of fifteen minutes.)**

**V. Election of Officers and Committee Appointments**

- Staff Recommendation:* Take nominations from Board.
- [Motion: Elect Chairperson]
- [Motion: Elect Vice Chairperson]
- [Motion: Elect Treasurer]
- [Motion: Elect Secretary]

**VI. Consent Calendar**

- \* A. Minutes of the May 25, 2023 Regular Meeting
  - \* B. Bills
  - \* C. Controller’s Report
  - \* D. Operations Report
- Staff Recommendation:* Approve the Consent Calendar

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\* Indicates attachment of document to original agenda packet.  
 & Additional materials related to this item may be posted prior to the meeting.

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**VII. Executive Director's Report**

- A. Water Supply Situation Report  
*Staff Recommendation:* Informational item only.
- &B.** Surplus Water Transfer Program – Resolution 23-06 To Approve Surplus Water Transfer Program  
*Staff Recommendation:* Approve Resolution 23-06.
- \*C. Ernst & Young Audit Report on the 2023 Statement of Charges  
*Staff Recommendation:* Accept report.
- D. DWR Calendar Year 2024 Statement of Charges  
*Staff Recommendation:* Informational item only.
- \*E. FY 2022/23 Fourth Quarter Investment Report  
*Staff Recommendation:* Accept report.
- \*F. 2023 Update to the Local Guidelines for Implementing the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) – Resolution 23-07 Repealing Resolution No. 15-01 and Adopting the Amended Local Guidelines for Implementing the California Environmental Quality Act (Public Resources Code §§ 21000, et seq.);  
*Staff Recommendation:*
  - 1. Approve Resolution No. 23-07 and
  - 2. Determine that the Board's adoption of Resolution No. 23-07 is exempt from CEQA for the reasons set forth in the Staff Report and the Resolution.
- \*G. Approval of Contract with The Widroe Group, Inc. for CCWA Staff Recruitment Services – Anticipated Expense \$51,800  
*Staff Recommendation:* Approve retention of The Widroe Group, Inc. to provide recruitment services for the vacant CCWA Operations Manager and Safety Officer positions and authorize the Executive Director to execute the necessary contracts.
- H. State Water Contractors Report  
*Staff Recommendation:* Informational item only.
- \*I. Legislative Report  
*Staff Recommendation:* Informational item only.

**VIII. Reports from Board Members for Information Only**

**IX. Items for Next Regular Meeting Agenda**

- X. **Date of Next Regular Meeting: September 28, 2023**  
Consider canceling August 24, 2023 Meeting

**XI. Adjournment**

**MINUTES OF THE  
CENTRAL COAST WATER AUTHORITY  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
May 25, 2023**

**I. Call to Order and Roll Call**

Vice Chairman Clay called the May 25, 2023 Central Coast Water Authority (CCWA) Board of Directors meeting to order at 9:03 AM.

CCWA member agencies with voting privileges were represented by:

<u>Representative</u>	<u>Agency/City</u>	<u>Voting %</u>
Farfalla Borah	Goleta Water District	17.20%
Jeff Clay	Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District, ID #1	7.64%
Ken Coates	Montecito Water District	9.50%
Shad Springer	City of Santa Maria	43.19%
Shirley Johnson	Carpinteria Valley Water District	7.64%
John Sanchez	City of Buellton	2.21%

Director Cordero arrived just after roll call and assumed representation for the City of Santa Maria.

**II. Public Comment**

There was no public comment related to items not on the agenda.

**III. Consent Calendar**

- A. Minutes of the April 27, 2023 Regular Meeting
- B. Bills
- C. Controller's Report
- D. Operations Report

Upon a motion by Director Sanchez, seconded by Director Borah and carried with Directors Borah, Clay, Coates, Cordero, Johnson, and Sanchez in favor and none opposed the Board approved the Consent Calendar.

**IV. Executive Director's Report**

- A. Water Management Options for 2023

Mr. Ray Stokes, CCWA Executive Director, stated that he anticipates there will be some interest in water transactions, such as unbalanced exchanges, as a result of the 100% Table A allocation and he will keep the agreement with Provost and Pritchard to identify water transaction options active for this purpose.

- B. Bulk Liquid Chlorine Procurement – Value \$264,327 per year

CCWA Deputy Director John Brady provided background on the chemical needs of CCWA and the process used to solicit competitive bids for supplying and delivering

bulk liquid chlorine to the Water Treatment Plant. He noted there were two bids received on May 17, 2023 in response to CCWA's Request for Bids and reviewed the important aspects of the contract. Staff recommended the Board authorize the Executive Director to award the bulk liquid chlorine contract to Thatcher at a cost of \$2,149 per dry ton.

Following discussion, upon a motion by Director Sanchez, seconded by Director Johnson and carried with Directors Borah, Clay, Coates, Cordero, Johnson and Sanchez in favor and none opposed the Board authorized the Executive Director to award the bulk liquid chlorine contract to Thatcher at a cost of \$2,149 per dry ton.

C. Amendment to CCWA's Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement (JPA) to Add Express Authority to Engage in Expanded Water Storage Activities

Ms. Hastings, CCWA General Counsel, stated that the item was for discussion by the CCWA Board, and noted CCWA is not a party to the JPA. Therefore, CCWA is not being asked to take any action, but rather the proposed amendment to the JPA is proposed for consideration by each member agency. The proposed amendment would expressly authorize CCWA to engage in water storage projects outside the State Water Project.

Discussion took place related to cost-sharing among CCWA Participants for any storage project undertaken by CCWA pursuant to the JPA. Staff explained that the JPA amendment does not include a funding mechanism and no amendment of any CCWA Participant's Water Supply Agreement is proposed. Therefore, any storage project in the future would require the development of agreements between the participating CCWA Participant and CCWA to fund the project, similar to CCWA's Supplemental Water Purchase Program. CCWA participants who do not participate in a future storage project will not be obligated to carry related costs.

D. State Water Contractors Update by Jennifer Pierre, General Manager State Water Contractors

Ms. Jennifer Pierre, General Manager of the State Water Contractors (SWC), was introduced and provided a presentation on the activities and accomplishments of the SWC over the past year, as well as the objectives of the organization for the upcoming year

E. Legislative Report

Ms. Hastings will provide a legislative update at a future meeting.

**V. Reports from Board Members for Information Only**

There were no reports from Board members.

**VI. Items for Next Regular Meeting Agenda**

A. Election of Officers

**VII. Date of Next Regular Meeting: June 22, 2023**

**VIII. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 10:46 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

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Elizabeth Watkins  
Secretary to the Board



## CENTRAL COAST WATER AUTHORITY

### Normal and Recurring Costs

Bills for Ratification - May & June 2023

VENDOR	INVOICE AMOUNT	DESCRIPTION
<b>GENERAL &amp; ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES</b>		
Bank of America Business Card	24.00	Printing costs
Bank of America Business Card	1,531.98	Travel and Meetings
Bank of America Business Card	1,588.00	Training
Cardmember Service	62.00	Publications, subscriptions, postage
Cardmember Service	95.00	Membership Fee
Cardmember Service	2,092.71	Travel and Meetings
Federal Express	1,499.68	Express shipping
McClatchy Co	110.20	Advertising
Microwest Software Systems	795.00	Training
Pitney Bowes	1,000.00	Postage - postage machine
Steinbock, Michael	95.00	Reimbursable expenses - Certification renewal
United Parcel Service	494.91	Shipping expenses
US Bank	180.00	Training
US Bank	640.95	Travel and Meetings
Valley Oaks Printing	48.94	Budget Report Covers
Water Research Foundation	6,467.37	Membership 2023-2024
	<b>\$ 16,725.74</b>	<b>Total General &amp; Administrative</b>
<b>MONITORING EXPENSES</b>		
Aramark	227.67	Lab supplies
Bank of America Business Card	56.03	Lab supplies
Culligan Industries Water Systems	(1.19)	Lab supplies
Hach Company	5,043.51	Lab supplies
IDEXX Distribution Corp.	3,124.75	Lab supplies
VWR International	2,860.81	Lab supplies
Weck Laboratories	4,340.00	Lab testing
	<b>\$ 15,651.58</b>	<b>Total Monitoring Expenses</b>
<b>OFFICE EXPENSES</b>		
Bank of America Business Card	646.69	Office and kitchen supplies
Office Depot	677.94	Office, janitorial & kitchen supplies
Solvang Bakery	38.20	Board and Committee meeting pastries
Staples Inc.	431.84	Office, janitorial & kitchen supplies
US Bank	85.44	Office and kitchen supplies
Valley Oaks Printing	54.38	Business cards/Envelopes
	<b>\$ 1,934.49</b>	<b>Total Office Expenses</b>
<b>OTHER EXPENSES</b>		
ACWA/JPIA	3,359.00	Insurance - Excess Crime Insurance FY 2023-2024
Bank of America Business Card	58.43	Computer Supplies
Bazzell, David	391.81	Internet Reimbursement (12 months)
Cal Coast Machinery, Inc.	6,054.26	Equipment Rental
Comcast	722.80	Internet Service
CompuVision	1,134.00	Semi Annual Spam Filtering
CompuVision	1,990.00	Datto Cloud Backup
CompuVision	2,952.00	Annual Dual Factor Authentication 2023-2024
CompuVision	4,329.50	EndPoint Detection
CompuVision	11,370.00	Managed Service Agreement



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VENDOR	INVOICE AMOUNT	DESCRIPTION
De Lage Landen Financial Services	903.58	Copier Lease - BAO and WTP
Dell Business Credit	902.23	Laptop
Environmental Safety Solutions	2,110.89	Equipment Rental
Espinoza, Manuel	210.00	Internet reimbursement (6 months)
Frontier Communications	129.98	Internet Service
Grainger, Inc.	2,142.89	Davitt Arm Base Installation for WTP
Grimmett, Tony	420.00	Internet Reimbursement (12 months)
HDR Engineering, Inc.	3,967.50	Repave Roadway Crossing of Easement for Casmalia Landfill
HDR Engineering, Inc.	20,791.75	Valve Actuator Hydraulic Package Technical Memorandum
HDR Engineering, Inc.	28,410.75	Technical Memorandum for Security
HDR Engineering, Inc.	31,272.50	Technical Memorandum for Power Planning
Kieding, Eric	300.00	Internet Reimbursement (12 months)
Linde Gas & Equipment	74.35	Equipment Rental
Marborg Industries	737.60	Tank 5/Tank 7/Tank 2/ EDV
Opengov, Inc.	5,291.25	SEMS Software and Subscription
Petersen, Tom	420.00	Internet Reimbursement (12 months)
Pitney Bowes Credit Corp	294.70	Postage Meter Lease
Quinn Company	1,368.67	Equipment Rental
Rain for Rent	5,329.52	Tank 5 - equipment rental
Ramsey Asphalt	19,589.00	Repave Roadway Crossing of Easement for Casmalia Landfill
Ross, Don	314.62	Internet Reimbursement (12 months)
Scheer, Adam	317.10	Internet Reimbursement (12 months)
Thompson, James	175.00	Internet Reimbursement (5 months)
US Bank	304.41	Miscellaneous Computer Equipment
Velosio	8,518.75	Microsoft Dynamics SL Renewal 2023-2024
Wilson Creek Communications	310.00	Internet Service
York, Todd	385.00	Internet Reimbursement (12 months)
	<b>\$ 167,353.84</b>	<b>Total Other Expenses</b>
<b>OTHER MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES</b>		
Department of Water Resources	3,639,828.00	Variable OMP&R, Delta Water & Transport Charge
State Water Contractors	107,565.00	Member Dues FY 2023-2024
	<b>\$ 3,747,393.00</b>	<b>Total Other Miscellaneous Expenses</b>
<b>PERSONNEL EXPENSES</b>		
Bank of America Business Card	100.00	Employee Achievement Awards Program
CalPERS Health	86,033.45	Health Insurance
CalPERS Retirement	74,114.75	Pension Contributions
CCWA Payroll Wages/Taxes	559,665.58	Gross Payroll Wages/Taxes
Dental/Vision Payments	5,726.12	Dental/Vision Benefits
MetLife SBC Insurance	3,647.58	Life Insurance
Other Misc Employee Benefits	20,701.39	Vehicle, Uniform, Deferred Comp & Cafeteria Plan Benefits
Standard Insurance Company	2,649.44	Disability Insurance
	<b>\$ 752,638.31</b>	<b>Total Personnel Expenses</b>



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VENDOR	INVOICE AMOUNT	DESCRIPTION
<b>PROFESSIONAL SERVICES</b>		
Bank of America Business Card	273.37	Consulting
Brownstein Hyatt Farber	48,611.95	Legal Services
Compliance Partners, LLC	4,792.50	Safety Consultant
Elecsys International LLC	300.00	Monitor Rectifiers
Ernst & Young LLP	40,188.00	Accounting Services
EXTTI, Inc	13,554.84	Consulting
Provost & Pritchard Consulting	144.00	Consulting
Samba Holdings, Inc.	170.64	DMV driver reports
Sentry Alarm Systems	450.00	Security Service WTP
Stantec Consulting, Inc.	277.50	Environmental Consulting
Stradling Yocca Carlson Rauth	4,503.00	Legal - Employee Matters/General Matters
Underground Service Alert	91.75	New USA tickets
	<b>\$ 113,357.55</b>	<b>Total Professional Services</b>
<b>CIP PROJECTS - MATERIALS &amp; OVERHEAD</b>		
Bank of America Business Card	111.80	Nipomo Dosing Site
Brentwood Industries, Inc	39,500.00	Cross Collector of Sludge Removal System
Cannon Corporation	4,657.50	WTP PLC Upgrade
Fourcroy Engineering	2,693.30	Nipomo Dosing Site
HDR Engineering Inc	8,842.11	OSHA Staircase Support for Tank 2/Tank 5/WTP
HDR Engineering Inc	22,631.93	Tank 7 Access Road Overlay Design
National Tank Outlet	30,883.24	Nipomo Dosing Site
Scelzi Enterprises, Inc	7,397.55	Distribution Crew Truck D088
Stantec Consulting, Inc	5,665.25	West Slope Erosion Repair Environmental Permitting
	<b>\$ 122,382.68</b>	<b>Total CIP Project - Materials and Overhead</b>
<b>REPAIRS &amp; MAINTENANCE</b>		
American Industrial Supply	239.81	Parts, repair and maintenance
Aramark	639.51	Building maintenance supplies
Bank of America Business Card	36.98	Building maintenance supplies
Bank of America Business Card	203.39	Equipment repairs and maintenance
Big Brand Tire & Service	214.31	Vehicle maintenance
Brezden Pest Control, Inc	165.00	Pest Control Spraying - WTP
Burt Industrial Supply Inc	141.22	Parts, repair and maintenance
Cal Coast Irrigation, Inc.	594.95	Parts, repair and maintenance
Cal Coast Machinery, Inc.	164.16	Parts, repair and maintenance
CalPortland Company	1,514.39	Equipment repairs and maintenance
Carquest Auto Parts	91.00	Auto parts and supplies
CDW Government, Inc	1,237.43	Equipment repairs and maintenance
City of Buellton	193.78	Landscape maintenance - water
Consolidated Electrical Distributors	2,012.51	Parts, repairs and maintenance
Coverall North America, Inc	2,804.00	Janitorial service - BAO/SYPS
D&H Water Systems Inc.	418.78	Equipment repairs and maintenance
Digi-Key Electronics	21.79	Equipment repairs and maintenance
DXP Enterprises Inc.	2,249.02	Equipment repairs and maintenance
Grainger Inc.	2,528.15	Parts, repairs and maintenance





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VENDOR	INVOICE AMOUNT	DESCRIPTION
Harrington Industrial Plastics	1,630.65	Parts, repairs and maintenance
Home Depot	267.46	Sample Tap Replacements
Home Depot	287.36	Parts, repairs and maintenance
Knechts Plumbing and Heating	4,534.00	HVAC service and repairs
Linde Gas & Equipment Inc	38.33	Equipment repairs and maintenance
Lowe's	6.98	Parts, repairs and maintenance
Mid-State Fence	3,420.00	Parts, repair and maintenance
Office Depot	13.59	Janitorial supplies
PAPE Material Handling	826.26	Equipment repair
Procure Janitorial Supply	610.71	Janitorial supplies - WTP
Progressive Greenery	730.00	Landscape maintenance - WTP
PRW Steel Supply, Inc.	557.17	Equipment repairs and maintenance
Rio Vista Chevrolet	2,086.36	Vehicle repairs and maintenance
RS Americas, Inc.	343.60	Equipment parts and repairs
Southwest Valve, LLC	714.80	Equipment repairs and maintenance
Steve's Wheel & Tire	28.77	Equipment repairs and maintenance
Ultrex Business Products	392.25	Copier maintenance
US Bank	630.65	Building maintenance supplies
US Bank	1,740.81	Equipment repairs and maintenance
US Bank	1,784.54	Vehicle repairs and maintenance
USA Blue Book	120.85	Equipment repairs and maintenance
Western Exterminator Co	510.70	Pest control spraying - BAO and SYPS
Zaca Creek Landscapes, Inc	900.00	Landscape Maintenance BAO/SYPS
	<b>\$ 37,646.02</b>	<b>Total Repairs &amp; Maintenance</b>

### SUPPLIES & EQUIPMENT

Airgas USA, LLC	109.63	Safety supplies/Minor tools
Akeso Occupational Health	300.00	Safety supplies
Aramark	2,710.99	Uniform expenses
Bank of America Business Card	250.84	Safety supplies
Bazzell, David	185.86	Reimbursable expenses - Uniform reimbursement
Chemtrade Chemicals US, LLC	47,906.78	Chemicals - WTP
Delta Liquid Energy	631.02	Maintenance supplies and hardware
Eagle Energy	209.52	Equipment service, Fuel & Lubricants
Fastenal Company	393.41	Maintenance supplies and hardware, safety supplies
GFG Instrumentation Inc.	1,582.86	Safety supplies
Grainger Inc.	2,611.67	Minor tools, equipment & maintenance supplies, safety supplies
Graybar	7,178.66	Minor tools, equipment & maintenance supplies
Harrison Hardware	19.57	Maintenance supplies and hardware
Home Depot	232.49	Minor tools, equipment & maintenance supplies
Home Depot	546.31	Safety supplies
JB Dewar	1,191.78	Fuel - equipment
JCI Jones Chemical	36,000.00	Chemicals - WTP
Sterling Water Technologies, LLC	26,155.80	Chemicals - WTP
Univar Solutions USA, Inc.	42,302.57	Chemicals - WTP
US Bank	(713.98)	Maintenance supplies, Minor Tools, Safety Supplies
WEX Bank - Wright Express	15,107.71	Fuel - Autos
Winema Industrial & Safety Supply	960.00	Safety supplies
York, Todd	239.24	Reimbursable expenses - Uniform reimbursement
	<b>\$ 186,112.73</b>	<b>Total Supplies &amp; Equipment</b>



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Bills for Ratification - May & June 2023

VENDOR	INVOICE AMOUNT	DESCRIPTION
<b>UTILITIES</b>		
City of Buellton	374.66	Water - BAO
Delta Liquid Energy	1,065.70	Propane gas
First Choice Technology	25.92	Phone - Long distance carrier, 800#
Frontier	615.30	Telephone charges
Marborg Industries	681.02	Waste Disposal - BAO/Trash roll off
Pacific Gas & Electric	46,042.33	Utilities - BAO/SYPS/WTP
Safety Kleen Systems Inc.	447.20	Waste Oil removal
San Miguel Garbage Company	514.56	Waste Disposal - WTP
Santa Ynez River Water Conservation	181.91	Water - SYPS
SoCalGas	63.96	Natural Gas - BAO
Surfnet Communications, Inc.	75.00	Wireless Internet - Chorro
Verizon Wireless	1,211.06	Cell phone charges
WM Coporate Services, Inc	703.20	Waste Disposal - SYPS
	<b>\$ 52,001.82</b>	<b>Total Utilities</b>
<b>Subtotal - Bills for Ratification</b>	<b>\$ 5,213,197.76</b>	



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## Bills for Approval

<b>VENDOR</b>	<b>INVOICE AMOUNT</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
State of California DWR	\$ 13,822,774.00	Capital Cost and Minimum OMP&R Charges -July '23
<b>Subtotal - Bills for Approval</b>	<b>\$ 13,822,774.00</b>	
<b>Total Ratification and Approval Bills</b>	<b><u>\$ 19,035,971.76</u></b>	



## Statements of Net Position

<b>ASSETS</b>	<b>Preliminary &amp; Unaudited June 30, 2023</b>	<b>May 31, 2023</b>
<b>Current Assets</b>		
Cash and investments	\$ 16,859,140	\$ 13,935,110
Accounts Receivable (Note 1)	263	263
Accrued interest receivable	368,469	154,321
Other assets	2,156,917	2,062,806
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	<b>19,384,788</b>	<b>16,152,500</b>
<b>Restricted Assets</b>		
Operations and Maintenance Reserve Fund (Note 2)	2,002,636	2,011,732
DWR Reserve Fund (Note 3)	5,905,409	5,904,238
Rate Coverage Reserve Fund (Note 4)	9,500,980	9,499,078
Department of Water Resources (Note 5a)	41,517,828	32,105,026
CCWA and DWR Variable Fund (Note 5b)	3,763,717	3,821,095
Credits Payable (Note 6)	51,627	140,996
Escrow Deposits (Note 7)	517,187	522,004
<b>Total Restricted Assets</b>	<b>63,259,384</b>	<b>54,004,169</b>
<b>Property, Plant and Equipment</b>		
Construction in progress (Note 8)	2,468,431	2,443,440
Fixed assets (net of accumulated depreciation)	85,019,719	85,019,719
<b>Total Property, Plant and Equipment</b>	<b>87,488,150</b>	<b>87,463,159</b>
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$ 170,132,322</b>	<b>\$ 157,619,827</b>



## Statements of Net Position

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<b>LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY</b>	<b>Preliminary &amp; Unaudited June 30, 2023</b>	<b>May 31, 2023</b>
<b><u>Current Liabilities</u></b>		
Accounts Payable	\$ 96,564	\$ 46,870
DWR and Warren Act Charge Deposits (Note 5a)	41,517,828	32,105,026
CCWA & DWR Variable Charge Deposits (Note 5b)	3,763,717	3,821,095
Other liabilities	2,377,702	2,416,610
DWR Reserve Fund	5,905,409	5,904,238
Rate Coverage Reserve Fund	9,495,379	9,495,379
Unearned Revenue	13,513,370	10,139,528
Credits Payable to Project Participants	196,921	307,918
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>	<b>76,866,890</b>	<b>64,236,664</b>
<b><u>Non-Current Liabilities</u></b>		
OPEB Liability	1,152,944	1,152,944
Escrow Deposits	517,187	522,004
Net Pension Liability	1,604,954	1,604,954
<b>Total Non-Current Liabilities</b>	<b>3,275,085</b>	<b>3,279,902</b>
<b><u>Commitments and Uncertainties</u></b>		
<b><u>Net Assets</u></b>		
Contributed capital, net (Note 9)	22,562,433	22,562,433
Retained earnings	67,427,915	67,540,828
<b>Total Net Assets</b>	<b>89,990,348</b>	<b>90,103,261</b>
<b>Total Liabilities and Net Assets</b>	<b>\$ 170,132,322</b>	<b>\$ 157,619,827</b>

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## Statements of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position

	<i>Preliminary &amp; Unaudited</i> <b>June 30, 2023</b>	<b>May 31, 2023</b>
<b><u>Operating Revenues</u></b>		
Operating reimbursements from project participants	\$ 13,580,404	\$ 13,386,057
Other revenues	32,402	5,350
<b>Total Operating Revenues</b>	<b>13,612,807</b>	<b>13,391,406</b>
<b><u>Operating Expenses</u></b>		
Personnel expenses	5,149,982	4,908,298
Office expenses	18,495	16,977
General and administrative	197,637	181,808
Professional Services	1,423,991	1,379,173
Supplies and equipment	1,114,624	1,015,093
Monitoring expenses	96,773	84,306
Repairs and maintenance	242,543	224,961
Utilities	536,857	508,964
Depreciation and amortization	2,273,134	2,273,134
Other expenses	1,161,935	1,074,796
<b>Total Operating Expenses</b>	<b>12,215,971</b>	<b>11,667,509</b>
<b>Operating Income</b>	<b>1,396,836</b>	<b>1,723,897</b>
<b><u>Non-Operating Revenues</u></b>		
Investment income	1,146,451	922,545
Gain on sale of fixed assets	28,452	28,452
<b>Total Non-Operating Revenues</b>	<b>1,174,903</b>	<b>950,997</b>
<b><u>Non-Operating Expenses</u></b>		
Current year credits payable	777,983	768,224
<b>Total Non-Operating Expenses</b>	<b>777,983</b>	<b>768,224</b>
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>1,793,757</b>	<b>1,906,670</b>
<b><u>Retained Earnings</u></b>		
Retained earnings at beginning of period	65,634,158	65,634,158
Retained earnings at end of period	\$ 67,427,915	\$ 67,540,828



# Budget and Actual All Reaches

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	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Percent Expended <sup>(1)</sup></u>
<b>Revenues</b>			
Fixed operating assessments <sup>(2)</sup>	\$ 12,025,927	\$ 12,025,927	
Variable operating assessments	2,124,961	1,554,477	73.15%
Miscellaneous income	-	32,402	
Investment income	-	198,267	
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<u>14,150,888</u>	<u>13,811,073</u>	<u>97.60%</u>
<b>Expenses <sup>(2)</sup></b>			
Personnel expenses	5,604,074	5,149,982	91.90%
Office expenses	21,300	18,495	86.83%
General and administrative	292,166	197,637	67.65%
Professional Services	1,495,167	1,423,991	95.24%
Supplies and equipment	1,428,146	1,114,624	78.05%
Monitoring expenses	121,234	96,773	79.82%
Repairs and maintenance	317,793	242,543	76.32%
Utilities	1,151,449	536,857	46.62%
Other expenses	738,850	736,929	99.74%
Capital and Non-Capital Expenditures	2,980,709	2,893,437	97.07%
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<u>14,150,888</u>	<u>12,411,268</u>	<u>87.71%</u>
<b>Operating Income</b>	<u>0</u>	<u>1,399,805</u>	
<b>Net Income (Loss)</b>	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 1,399,805</u>	

(1) Percent of year expended 100%

(2) Includes revenues and expenses for Turnouts and adjusted for carryover revenues from FY 2021/22 to FY 2022/23

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**Note 1: Accounts Receivable**

Accounts receivable consists of amounts payable by the State Water Project contractors and other miscellaneous receivables.

**Note 2: O&M Reserve Fund**

The O&M reserve fund represents cash reserves for emergency uses. The funding requirement is \$2,000,000 allocated on an entitlement basis for the Santa Barbara County project participants. Investment earnings on O&M reserve fund balances are credited against CCWA O&M assessments.

<u>Project Participant</u>	<u>Amount</u>
City of Guadalupe	\$ 28,157
City of Santa Maria	829,363
Golden State Water Company	25,771
Vandenberg SFB	281,574
City of Buellton	29,591
Santa Ynez ID #1 (Solvang)	76,793
Santa Ynez ID #1	25,598
Goleta Water District	230,379
Morehart Land Co.	10,239
La Cumbre Mutual Water Company	51,537
Raytheon Systems Company	2,560
City of Santa Barbara	154,628
Montecito Water District	154,057
Carpinteria Valley Water District	102,390
TOTAL:	<u>\$ 2,002,636</u>



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**Note 3: DWR Reserve Fund**

The DWR Reserve Fund was established to provide a funding source for payments to the State of California Department of Water Resources (DWR) when there is a difference between estimates used to prepare the DWR portion of the annual CCWA budget and the actual amounts billed to the Authority by DWR. Contributions to the DWR Reserve Fund are voluntary. Funding of each participating Project Participant's share of the DWR Reserve Fund will come from a combination of (1) CCWA Operating Expense budget surpluses, if any (2) Interest earnings on funds held in all other accounts on behalf of the participating Project Participant and (3) excess amounts, if any, from any of the DWR Statement of Charges cost components until the funding Target Amount is reached. The Target Amount will be equal to the participating Project Participant's proportional share of a \$10 million allocation of DWR Transportation Minimum OMP&R charges. The following schedule shows the current fund balance of the participating Project Participants.

Project Participant	Amount
City of Guadalupe	\$ 141,435
City of Santa Maria	4,219,495
Golden State Water Company	102,004
City of Buellton	148,637
Santa Ynez ID #1 (Solvang)	385,688
Santa Ynez ID #1	181,662
Morehart Land Co.	50,081
La Cumbre Mutual Water Company	189,093
Raytheon Systems Co.	12,365
City of Santa Barbara	474,948
TOTAL:	\$ 5,905,409

**Note 4: Rate Coverage Reserve Fund Cash Deposits**

The rate coverage reserve fund was established to provide CCWA project participants a mechanism to satisfy a portion of their obligation under Section 20(a) of the Water Supply Agreement to impose rates and charges sufficient to collect 125% of their contract payments. The following schedule shows the current balances plus accrued interest receivable in the rate coverage reserve fund.

Project Participant	Amount
City of Guadalupe	\$ 191,071
City of Santa Maria	5,168,210
City of Buellton	274,945
Santa Ynez ID #1 (Solvang)	632,293
Santa Ynez ID #1	461,082
La Cumbre Mutual Water Company	403,193
Montecito Water District	1,494,420
Carpinteria Valley Water District	860,052
Shandon	15,714
TOTAL:	\$ 9,500,980

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**Note 5a: Cash and Investments Payment to DWR**

Cash deposits for DWR payments.

<u>Project Participant</u>	<u>Amount</u>
City of Guadalupe	\$ 543,498
City of Santa Maria	16,150,973
Golden State Water Company	509,239
Vandenberg SFB	6,945,872
City of Buellton	595,693
Santa Ynez ID #1 (Solvang)	1,527,685
Santa Ynez ID #1	296,390
Goleta Water District	5,228,846
Morehart Land Co.	207,129
La Cumbre Mutual Water Company	1,054,286
Raytheon Systems Co.	52,144
City of Santa Barbara	3,163,551
Montecito Water District	3,143,782
Carpinteria Valley Water District	2,098,740
TOTAL:	<u>\$ 41,517,828</u>

**Note 5b: Cash Payments for CCWA, Warren Act and DWR Variable Charges**

Cash deposits for payments to CCWA, Warren Act and DWR for Variable Assessments.

<u>Project Participant</u>	<u>Amount</u>
City of Guadalupe	\$ (19,464)
City of Santa Maria	1,149,228
Golden State Water Company	44,645
Vandenberg SFB	406,328
City of Buellton	38,662
Santa Ynez ID #1 (Solvang)	177,484
Santa Ynez ID #1	196,928
Goleta Water District	486,654
Morehart Land Co.	28,991
La Cumbre Mutual Water Company	157,144
Raytheon Systems Co.	7,280
City of Santa Barbara	449,728
Montecito Water District	385,965
Carpinteria Valley Water District	254,144
TOTAL:	<u>\$ 3,763,717</u>

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**Note 6: Credits Payable**

Credits payable to, or (due from) CCWA project participants for investment earnings and O&M assessment credits.

Project Participant	Amount
City of Guadalupe	\$ 2
City of Santa Maria	41,260
Golden State Water Company	58
Vandenberg SFB	936
City of Buellton	4
Santa Ynez ID #1 (Solvang)	6
Santa Ynez ID #1	819
Goleta Water District	18
Morehart Land Co.	3
La Cumbre Mutual Water Company	16
Raytheon Systems Co.	1
City of Santa Barbara	13
Montecito Water District	5,419
Carpinteria Valley Water District	3,034
Shandon	39
Lopez Turnout	-
Chorro Turnout	-
TOTAL:	\$ 51,627

**Note 7: Escrow Deposits**

Cash deposits from certain project participants as required under the Water Supply Agreements.

Project Participant	Amount
Morehart Land Company	\$ 408,184
Raytheon Systems Company	109,003
TOTAL:	\$ 517,187

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**Note 8: Construction in Progress**

Amounts in construction in progress represent expenditures incurred during FY 2022/23 and amounts retained in construction in progress at June 30, 2023. The following schedule shows the CIP expenditures for CCWA projects.

Financial Reach	Amount
Labor	\$ 116,373
Materials	445,365
Overhead	1,906,694
Project CIP Total:	\$ 2,468,431

**Note 9: Contributed Capital**

Certain project participants elected to pay their share of CCWA project construction costs in cash. The amounts listed below show the capital contributions by project participant less the cost of local facilities and refunds to the project participants.

Project Participant	Amount
Avila Valley Water Company	\$ 15,979
City of Guadalupe	81,119
San Luis Schools	5,608
San Miguelito Water Company	233,605
Golden State Water Company	866,277
City of Santa Maria	13,498,802
Vandenberg SFB	7,861,043
TOTAL:	\$ 22,562,433

**MONTHLY SUMMARY OF MINERAL AND PHYSICAL ANALYSIS  
 RAW WATER (RW) AND SETTLED WATER (SW)**

**System Name:** Central Coast Water Authority  
**Treatment Plant Name:** Polonio Pass Water Treatment Plant

**System Number:** 4210030  
**May 2023**

Date:	RW pH (SU)	RW Turbidity (NTU)	SW Turbidity (NTU)	RW Odor (TON)	RW Total Coliform (MPN)	RW E. Coli (MPN)	RW Cl- (mg/L)	RW Alkalinity (mg/L)		RW Hardness (mg/L)		RW E.C. (uS/cm)	RW TOC (mg/L)
								Total	Phenol	Total	Ca		
1	7.77	8.42	0.98	1.0	179	14	21	48	0	54	32	208	
2	7.82	7.92	0.82	1.0			24	49	0	58	29		
3	7.88	7.52	0.83	1.0			26	48	0	54	26		3.4
4	7.82	8.00	0.83	1.0			27	48	0	49	26		
5	7.80	9.37	0.95	1.0			24	47	0	49	27		
6	7.78	10.40	1.03	1.0			25	48	0	50	27		
7	7.75	10.98	1.10	1.0			27	48	0	54	26		
8	7.72	10.88	1.18	1.0	142	3	25	49	0	50	28	194	
9	7.75	11.22	1.25	1.0			41	38	0	58	32		
10	7.78	10.13	1.13	1.0			23	46	0	60	30		
11	7.77	10.08	1.12	1.0			23	44	0	54	31		
12	7.77	10.13	1.23	1.0			23	44	0	53	30		
13	7.78	10.43	1.07	1.0			26	45	0	43	28		
14	7.72	10.85	1.04	1.0			20	43	0	49	29		
15	7.68	10.37	1.30	1.0	155	6	22	41	0	48	30	166	
16	7.75	9.57	1.22	1.0			20	43	0	47	29		
17	7.78	8.72	1.08	1.0			19	41	0	44	28		
18	7.74	8.62	1.04	1.0			19	43	0	46	29		
19	7.73	9.57	1.08	1.0			22	47	0	50	29		
20	7.74	9.88	1.13	1.0			21	43	0	41	27		
21	7.80	9.33	1.13	1.0			22	42	0	47	28		
22	7.83	7.82	1.03	1.0	115	4	20	43	0	44	26	197	
23	8.00	6.75	0.97	1.0			30	44	0	49	28		
24	8.15	6.08	0.84	1.5			29	48	0	60	31		
25	8.12	5.33	0.66	1.0			37	49	0	58	34		
26	8.12	5.02	0.68	1.0			39	55	0	70	33		
27	8.02	5.65	0.68	1.0			42	52	0	68	36		
28	7.95	5.83	0.86	1.0			36	50	0	53	34		
29	7.83	6.33	0.78	1.0	140	5	29	49	0	58	35		
30	7.82	6.33	0.73	1.0			25	42	0	45	25	172	
31	7.92	5.82	0.90	1.0			22	41	0	46	27		
<b>Avg:</b>	<b>7.84</b>	<b>8.50</b>	<b>0.99</b>	<b>1.0</b>	<b>146</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>187</b>	<b>3.4</b>

**MONTHLY SUMMARY OF MINERAL AND PHYSICAL ANALYSIS  
TREATED WATER (TW) & CLEARWELL (CW)**

System Name: Central Coast Water Authority

System Number: 4210030

Treatment Plant Name: Polonio Pass Water Treatment Plant

May 2023

Date:	TW pH (SU)	TW Turbidity (NTU)	Filter Rate (gpm/ft <sup>2</sup> )	CW Odor (TON)	TW Total Coliform	CW Cl- (mg/L)	CW Total Alk (mg/L)	CW Hardness (mg/L)		TW Chlorine (mg/L)		CCB3 Chlorine Free (mg/L)	TW NH3-N (mg/L)		(CCB3 Cl2 Free) / (TW NH3-N Total)	CW E.C. (uS/cm)	TW TOC (mg/L)
								Total	Ca	Total	Free		Total	Free			
1	8.52	0.04	3.56	0.0	ABSENT	25	43	56	34	3.88	0.00	4.22	0.76	0.00	5.6	250	
2	8.45	0.04	3.56	0.0	ABSENT	30	47	56	32	3.96	0.00	4.03	0.78	0.00	5.2		
3	8.50	0.05	3.56	0.0	ABSENT	29	44	59	28	4.07	0.00	4.13	0.76	0.00	5.4		1.7
4	8.48	0.04	3.56	0.0	ABSENT	29	42	50	28	3.83	0.00	3.94	0.74	0.00	5.3		
5	8.56	0.04	3.56	0.0	ABSENT	29	42	49	27	3.69	0.00	3.68	0.72	0.01	5.1		
6	8.46	0.05	3.45	0.0	ABSENT	28	46	51	27	3.56	0.00	3.51	0.71	0.02	4.9		
7	8.53	0.04	3.24	0.0	ABSENT	27	46	53	28	3.58	0.00	3.60	0.68	0.00	5.3		
8	8.45	0.05	3.24	0.0	ABSENT	28	44	50	28	3.35	0.00	3.31	0.69	0.04	4.8	247	
9	8.53	0.04	3.29	0.0	ABSENT	38	43	55	31	3.37	0.00	3.44	0.69	0.02	5.0		
10	8.50	0.04	3.56	0.0	ABSENT	26	40	56	30	3.55	0.00	3.52	0.71	0.00	5.0		
11	8.28	0.04	3.56	0.0	ABSENT	26	40	58	32	3.47	0.00	3.43	0.66	0.00	5.2		
12	8.45	0.04	3.61	0.0	ABSENT	26	42	52	27	3.38	0.00	3.57	0.64	0.00	5.6		
13	8.52	0.04	3.88	0.0	ABSENT	25	41	47	28	3.52	0.00	3.46	0.69	0.00	5.0		
14	8.30	0.04	3.88	0.0	ABSENT	23	39	49	29	3.42	0.00	3.52	0.66	0.00	5.3		
15	8.45	0.04	3.88	0.0	ABSENT	32	41	50	29	3.45	0.00	3.62	0.65	0.00	5.6	227	
16	8.51	0.04	3.88	0.0	ABSENT	24	41	48	28	3.48	0.00	3.43	0.68	0.00	5.0		
17	8.48	0.04	3.88	0.0	ABSENT	23	43	47	29	3.53	0.00	3.30	0.69	0.00	4.8		
18	8.43	0.05	4.29	0.0	ABSENT	22	41	44	27	3.48	0.00	3.43	0.69	0.00	5.0		
19	8.50	0.04	4.29	0.0	ABSENT	24	41	46	30	3.53	0.00	3.45	0.69	0.00	5.0		
20	8.48	0.04	3.88	0.0	ABSENT	25	40	46	28	3.58	0.00	3.53	0.69	0.00	5.1		
21	8.50	0.04	3.88	0.0	ABSENT	25	43	49	27	3.52	0.00	3.43	0.68	0.00	5.0		
22	8.49	0.04	3.88	0.0	ABSENT	23	40	46	27	3.48	0.00	3.35	0.69	0.00	4.9	226	
23	8.52	0.04	3.56	0.0	ABSENT	26	35	45	28	3.39	0.00	3.40	0.67	0.01	5.1		
24	8.40	0.05	3.64	0.0	ABSENT	27	37	51	31	3.44	0.00	3.48	0.67	0.01	5.2		
25	8.38	0.05	3.72	0.0	ABSENT	35	40	55	31	3.48	0.00	3.45	0.66	0.00	5.2		
26	8.42	0.05	3.64	0.0	ABSENT	37	47	62	32	3.46	0.00	3.29	0.67	0.00	4.9		
27	8.49	0.05	3.64	0.0	ABSENT	41	48	64	34	3.36	0.00	3.35	0.64	0.00	5.2		
28	8.55	0.05	3.55	0.0	ABSENT	40	48	65	34	3.44	0.00	3.41	0.67	0.00	5.1		
29	8.38	0.05	3.40	0.0	ABSENT	33	48	63	35	3.43	0.00	3.38	0.66	0.00	5.1		
30	8.48	0.05	3.40	0.0	ABSENT	32	43	55	29	3.48	0.00	3.42	0.67	0.00	5.1	239	
31	8.54	0.04	3.40	0.0	ABSENT	29	39	50	30	3.42	0.00	3.38	0.68	0.00	5.0		
<b>Avg</b>	<b>8.47</b>	<b>0.04</b>	<b>3.66</b>	<b>0.00</b>		<b>28</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>3.53</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>3.53</b>	<b>0.69</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>5.1</b>	<b>238</b>	<b>1.70</b>

**MONTHLY SUMMARY OF MINERAL AND PHYSICAL ANALYSIS  
RAW WATER (RW) AND SETTLED WATER (SW)**

System Name: Central Coast Water Authority

System Number: 4210030

Treatment Plant Name: Polonio Pass Water Treatment Plant

June **2023**

Date:	RW pH (SU)	RW Turbidity (NTU)	SW Turbidity (NTU)	RW Odor (TON)	RW Total Coliform (MPN)	RW E. Coli (MPN)	RW Cl- (mg/L)	RW Alkalinity (mg/L)		RW Hardness (mg/L)		RW E.C. (uS/cm)	RW TOC (mg/L)
								Total	Phenol	Total	Ca		
1	7.88	6.08	0.92	1.0			21	39	0	43	27		
2	7.80	6.90	1.04	1.0			18	35	0	41	26		
3	7.77	8.05	1.33	1.0			16	34	0	38	22		
4	7.78	8.20	1.25	1.0			15	33	0	36	22		
5	7.80	7.73	1.37	1.0	194	1	16	33	0	34	21	114	
6	7.71	7.83	0.95	1.0			12	34	0	32	20		
7	7.73	7.70	0.84	1.0			14	35	0	31	19		2.9
8	7.74	7.88	0.87	1.0			14	34	0	29	18		
9	7.74	7.00	0.93	1.0			15	35	0	33	19		
10	7.73	7.13	1.04	1.0			14	35	0	32	18		
11	7.75	7.52	1.12	0.5			15	34	0	37	25		
12	7.77	7.27	1.05	1.0	201	3	15	34	0	33	18	114	
13	7.76	7.68	1.17	1.0			14	32	0	34	22		
14	7.78	8.08	1.27	1.0			15	30	0	38	23		
15	7.83	7.72	1.38	1.0			26	32	0	39	22		
16	7.78	7.53	1.06	1.0			15	32	0	40	22		
17	7.77	8.32	1.27	1.0			15	32	0	39	23		
18	7.70	10.38	1.25	1.0			15	31	0	39	22		
19	7.73	9.50	1.20	1.0	326	4	18	30	0	38	22	124	
20	7.80	8.28	1.15	1.0			14	34	0	39	22		
21	7.80	8.13	1.10	1.0			15	35	0	37	21		
22	7.82	9.02	1.18	1.0			16	35	0	35	22		
23	7.75	8.52	1.11	1.0			17	34	0	40	19		
24	7.75	9.35	1.23	1.0			14	31	0	35	19		
25	7.73	9.93	1.37	1.0			15	32	0	32	21		
26	7.75	8.82	1.18	1.0	201	1	16	33	0	37	21	134	
27	7.80	7.92	1.17	1.0			18	34	0	45	23		
28	7.80	8.93	1.05	1.0			23	36	0	39	20		
29	7.80	8.90	1.15	1.0			21	35	0	40	25		
30	7.75	10.37	1.42	1.0			17	33	0	38	21		
<b>Avg</b>	<b>7.77</b>	<b>8.22</b>	<b>1.15</b>	<b>1.0</b>	<b>230</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>122</b>	<b>2.9</b>

**MONTHLY SUMMARY OF MINERAL AND PHYSICAL ANALYSIS  
TREATED WATER (TW) & CLEARWELL (CW)**

System Name: Central Coast Water Authority

System Number: 4210030

Treatment Plant Name: Polonio Pass Water Treatment Plant

June 2023

Date:	TW pH (SU)	TW Turbidity (NTU)	Filter Rate (gpm/ft <sup>2</sup> )	CW Odor (TON)	TW Total Coliform	CW Cl- (mg/L)	CW Total Alk (mg/L)	CW Hardness (mg/L)		TW Chlorine (mg/L)		CCB3 Chlorine Free (mg/L)	TW NH3-N (mg/L)		(CCB3 Cl2 Free) / (TW NH3-N Total)	CW E.C. (uS/cm)	TW TOC (mg/L)
								Total	Ca	Total	Free		Total	Free			
1	8.48	0.04	3.70	0.0	ABSENT	25	35	45	27	3.43	0.00	3.45	0.68	0.00	5.1		
2	8.58	0.04	3.82	0.0	ABSENT	23	34	41	26	3.40	0.00	3.37	0.67	0.00	5.0		
3	8.38	0.04	3.64	0.0	ABSENT	20	32	40	23	3.47	0.00	3.46	0.67	0.00	5.2		
4	8.48	0.04	3.64	0.0	ABSENT	18	31	38	23	3.48	0.00	3.46	0.67	0.00	5.2		
5	8.37	0.05	3.64	0.0	ABSENT	17	30	35	21	3.50	0.00	3.48	0.67	0.00	5.2	161	
6	8.49	0.05	3.56	0.0	ABSENT	14	32	37	21	3.44	0.00	3.53	0.67	0.00	5.3		
7	8.53	0.05	3.40	0.0	ABSENT	20	33	33	20	3.43	0.00	3.38	0.68	0.00	5.0		1.5
8	8.54	0.05	3.64	0.0	ABSENT	14	36	33	18	3.33	0.00	3.29	0.65	0.00	5.1		
9	8.62	0.05	3.81	0.0	ABSENT	17	34	35	19	3.41	0.00	3.25	0.66	0.00	4.9		
10	8.59	0.05	3.88	0.0	ABSENT	16	31	31	19	3.41	0.00	3.36	0.64	0.00	5.3		
11	8.40	0.05	3.78	0.0	ABSENT	16	32	37	20	3.34	0.00	3.37	0.66	0.00	5.1		
12	8.60	0.06	3.37	0.0	ABSENT	17	34	31	18	3.46	0.00	3.46	0.66	0.00	5.2	152	
13	8.58	0.05	3.96	0.0	ABSENT	16	31	33	22	3.43	0.00	3.48	0.68	0.00	5.1		
14	8.42	0.05	4.12	0.0	ABSENT	17	32	37	22	3.52	0.00	3.43	0.70	0.00	4.9		
15	8.43	0.05	4.12	0.0	ABSENT	28	31	35	25	3.50	0.00	3.48	0.68	0.00	5.1		
16	8.42	0.05	4.12	0.0	ABSENT	18	30	37	22	3.53	0.00	3.50	0.69	0.00	5.1		
17	8.38	0.05	4.12	0.0	ABSENT	17	31	36	22	3.47	0.00	3.50	0.70	0.00	5.0		
18	8.43	0.05	4.12	0.0	ABSENT	19	32	37	22	3.53	0.00	3.55	0.69	0.00	5.1		
19	8.52	0.05	4.04	0.0	ABSENT	17	32	39	22	3.50	0.00	3.55	0.68	0.00	5.2	163	
20	8.48	0.05	3.88	0.0	ABSENT	19	32	34	21	3.53	0.00	3.43	0.70	0.00	4.9		
21	8.46	0.05	4.12	0.0	ABSENT	18	32	34	20	3.62	0.00	3.47	0.72	0.01	4.8		
22	8.39	0.05	4.37	0.0	ABSENT	20	31	34	20	3.60	0.00	3.47	0.71	0.00	4.9		
23	8.47	0.05	4.13	0.0	ABSENT	21	31	37	20	3.53	0.00	3.47	0.71	0.00	4.9		
24	8.43	0.05	3.88	0.0	ABSENT	18	31	32	19	3.57	0.00	3.46	0.70	0.00	4.9		
25	8.51	0.05	3.88	0.0	ABSENT	19	33	32	20	3.51	0.00	3.47	0.70	0.00	5.0		
26	8.50	0.05	3.88	0.0	ABSENT	18	32	34	21	3.51	0.00	3.40	0.71	0.00	4.8	159	
27	8.58	0.05	3.88	0.0	ABSENT	17	34	41	21	3.51	0.00	3.43	0.69	0.00	5.0		
28	8.45	0.05	3.88	0.0	ABSENT	18	35	38	21	3.38	0.00	3.42	0.67	0.00	5.1		
29	8.41	0.05	4.07	0.0	ABSENT	17	31	39	22	3.43	0.00	3.38	0.64	0.00	5.3		
30	8.44	0.05	4.06	0.0	ABSENT	20	35	39	21	3.30	0.00	3.39	0.64	0.00	5.3		
<b>Avg</b>	<b>8.48</b>	<b>0.05</b>	<b>3.88</b>	<b>0.00</b>		<b>18</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>3.47</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>3.44</b>	<b>0.68</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>5.1</b>	<b>159</b>	<b>1.50</b>



Central Coast Water Authority  
**Calendar Year 2023 Actual and Requested Deliveries in Acre Feet**

Project Participant	Total Available AF Amounts <sup>(1)</sup>	ACTUALS							REQUESTED							Estimated Annual Delivery Total
		Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	Subtotal	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Subtotal	
Guadalupe	820	4	43	35	50	67	63	262	58	58	56	58	56	58	344	606
Santa Maria	20,278	0	0	391	400	495	498	1,784	666	666	571	571	0	285	2,759	4,543
So. Cal. Water Co.	558	0	0	1	6	30	66	103	35	35	35	35	35	0	175	278
Vandenberg AFB	6,862	0	0	0	178	220	218	616	269	267	283	284	236	221	1,560	2,176
Buellton	692	4	2	11	17	21	22	77	15	15	18	0	0	0	48	125
Solvang (Billed to SY)	1,792	14	5	35	46	66	79	245	125	125	125	100	20	45	540	785
Santa Ynez ID#1	1,154	0	0	0	0	113	324	437	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	437
Goleta	7,426	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	162	171	162	54	0	0	549	549
Morehart Land Co.	237	7	0	0	0	0	0	7	8	8	8	8	8	8	48	55
La Cumbre	1,615	16	0	0	0	0	0	16	70	80	70	70	40	40	370	386
Raytheon	57	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Santa Barbara	2,593	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	108	114	108	36	0	0	366	366
Montecito	3,495	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	108	114	108	36	0	0	366	366
Carpinteria	2,991	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	72	76	72	24	0	0	244	244
<b>Subtotal Santa Barbara:</b>	<b>50,570</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>473</b>	<b>697</b>	<b>1,012</b>	<b>1,270</b>	<b>3,547</b>	<b>1,696</b>	<b>1,729</b>	<b>1,616</b>	<b>1,276</b>	<b>395</b>	<b>657</b>	<b>7,369</b>	<b>10,916</b>
Shandon		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Chorro Valley	7500	162	146	165	157	158	169	957	185	185	185	185	185	185	1,110	2,067
Lopez	7500	58	91	96	7	0	5	257	17	18	16	16	15	15	97	354
<b>Subtotal SLO County:</b>	<b>15,000</b>	<b>220</b>	<b>237</b>	<b>261</b>	<b>164</b>	<b>158</b>	<b>174</b>	<b>1,214</b>	<b>202</b>	<b>203</b>	<b>201</b>	<b>201</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>1,207</b>	<b>2,421</b>
<b>TOTAL ENTITLEMENT DELIVERIES</b>	<b>65,570</b>	<b>265</b>	<b>287</b>	<b>734</b>	<b>861</b>	<b>1,170</b>	<b>1,444</b>	<b>4,761</b>	<b>1,898</b>	<b>1,932</b>	<b>1,817</b>	<b>1,477</b>	<b>595</b>	<b>857</b>	<b>8,576</b>	<b>13,337</b>
<b>EXCHANGE DELIVERIES</b>																
Santa Ynez-Exchange		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	(450)	(475)	(450)	(150)	0	0	(1,525)	(1,525)
Goleta-Exchange		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	162	171	162	54	0	0	549	549
Santa Barbara-Exchange		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	108	114	108	36	0	0	366	366
Montecito-Exchange		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	108	114	108	36	0	0	366	366
Carpinteria-Exchange		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	72	76	72	24	0	0	244	244
<b>TOTAL EXCHANGE DELIVERIES</b>		<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Total Lake Deliveries only</b>		<b>23</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>528</b>	<b>563</b>	<b>528</b>	<b>228</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>48</b>		<b>1,966</b>

<sup>(1)</sup> Total AF of Table A allocation, carryover amounts, and water transfers



## CENTRAL COAST WATER AUTHORITY

### MEMORANDUM

July 27, 2023

**TO:** CCWA Board of Directors

**FROM:** Dessi Mladenova  
Controller

**SUBJECT:** Ernst & Young Audit Report and Findings on the DWR 2023 Statement of Charges.

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#### DISCUSSION

CCWA and the San Luis Obispo County Flood Control and Water Conservation District (SLOCFCWCD) engaged the accounting firm of Ernst & Young to audit the calendar year 2023 Statement of Charges for both entities. SLOCFCWCD agreed to participate in this audit for 2023 because both entities share the same Coastal Branch facilities and so the benefits of the audit also apply to SLOCFCWCD.

The DWR 2023 Statement of charges audit report is attached to this memo. The five areas of focus of the audit were;

- Transportation Minimum
- Rate Management Credits
- Coastal Branch Extension Debt Service
- Coastal Branch Extension Cost/Debt Reconciliation
- FAD890 Alpha Allocation Cycle Procedures

Some of the main findings with the largest dollar amounts found in this years' audit are as follows (please refer to the Executive Summary at the beginning of the document for more information):

1. DWR has not corrected the Coastal Branch Extension debt service allocated to CCWA as a result of refinancing Coastal Branch Extension debt service, by failing to update the amounts charged to CCWA with the updated actual debt service paid by DWR. \$1,219,322 has been overcharged, to CCWA from 1998 to 2023, plus interest impact of \$665,887 at the project interest rate of 4.58% for a total of \$1,885,209.
2. The department over collected capital construction costs related to bond series Q and W issued for the Coastal Branch Extension which represents a credit due back CCWA of \$ 6,662,243. Once the department has agreed to the findings in the Cost/Debt reconciliation project, CCWA will receive the credit.

Ernst and Young will do a presentation to CCWA Board of Directors on the results of the work performed under the DWR 2023 Statement of charges as well as the Independent Audit Association (IAA) report in which CCWA is a participating member.

DHM

Attachment:

CCWA and SLOCFCWCD Final Audit report for the Fiscal Year ended June 30, 2022.

**SUMMARY OF 2022 PROCEDURES, FINDINGS,  
AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

**Central Coast Water Authority  
San Luis Obispo County Flood Control and Water Conservation District**

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To the Representatives of Central Coast Water Authority and  
San Luis Obispo County Flood Control and Water Conservation District

We have completed our engagement to perform procedures at the California Department of Water Resources (DWR) on behalf of Central Coast Water Authority (CCWA) and San Luis Obispo County Flood Control and Water Conservation District (SLO). Our services were performed in accordance with Exhibit C-1 dated August 24, 2022, to the Statement of Work dated July 1, 2022, and our procedures were limited to those described in that Exhibit C-1.

Our findings and recommendations resulting from our procedures are provided in the memoranda, summaries, and schedules included in the Summary of 2022 Procedures, Findings, and Recommendations (Report). The procedures were performed based on information obtained principally by inquiries of officials and other personnel of the DWR and inspection of certain accounting related records and reports of the DWR. The specific sources of the various components of the information are indicated in the accompanying memoranda, summaries, and schedules. The information included in the Report, including the memoranda, summaries, and schedules, are solely those we received in response to our inquiries or obtained from documents furnished to us. Our work has been limited in scope and time, and we stress that more detailed procedures may reveal findings and recommendations that this engagement has not.

Except for ascertaining that certain information in tabulations and reports, received from the DWR, agreed with the accounting records (as specifically identified in the accompanying memoranda, summaries, and schedules), we were not requested to and did not perform procedures to evaluate the reliability or completeness of the information obtained. The procedures do not constitute an audit, a review or other form of assurance in accordance with any generally accepted auditing, review or other assurance standards, and accordingly we do not express any form of assurance. While the information obtained is substantially responsive to your request, we are not in a position to assess its sufficiency for your purposes.

Restrictions on the use of our work product

Consistent with our Statement of Work, this Report is intended solely for the information and use of CCWA and SLO and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than CCWA and SLO. Except where compelled by legal process (of which CCWA and SLO will immediately notify EY and tender to EY, if EY so elects, the defense), CCWA and SLO may not disclose, orally or in writing, the Report or any portion, abstract or summary thereof, or make any reference to EY in connection therewith, to any third party without obtaining the prior written consent of EY. To the extent CCWA and SLO are permitted to disclose the written Report as set forth herein, it shall disclose the Report only in the original, complete, and unaltered form provided by EY, with all restrictive legends and other agreements intact.

CCWA and SLO shall, among other responsibilities with respect to the Report, (i) make all management decisions and perform all management functions, including applying independent business judgment to the Report, making implementation decisions and determining further courses of action in connection with the Report; (ii) assign a competent employee within senior management to make all management decisions with respect to the Report, oversee the Report and evaluate their adequacy and results; and (iii) accept responsibility for the implementation of the results or recommendations contained in the Report.

The ratings in our Report do not represent a conclusion on the assessment of the findings and recommendations resulting from our procedures. Rating definitions are as defined in our Statement of Work dated July 1, 2022.

*Ernst & Young LLP*

April 28, 2023

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## Executive Summary of Procedures

The transportation minimum component for CCWA and SLO (collectively, the "Central Coast Contractors") has seen volatility. The following tables show the change in the transportation minimum component for the 2021 calendar year for the 2023, 2022, and 2021 Statement of Charges (SOC):

Contractor	Calendar Year	2023 SOC	2022 SOC	Difference	% Change
CCWA	2021	\$ 11,777,207	\$ 11,378,211	\$ 398,996	3.5%
SLO	2021	\$ 2,332,444	\$ 2,344,966	\$ (12,522)	(0.5)%

Contractor	Calendar Year	2022 SOC	2021 SOC	Difference	% Change
CCWA	2021	\$ 11,378,211	\$ 11,421,409	\$ (43,198)	(0.4)%
SLO	2021	\$ 2,344,966	\$ 2,216,456	\$ 128,510	5.8%

This volatility is primarily caused by updates to the Central Coast Contractors' allocation percentages through alpha allocation cycles. For example, the FAD908 alpha allocation cycle increased from 3.04% used for calendar year 2021 in the 2022 SOC to 3.20% used for calendar year 2021 in the 2023 SOC. We performed procedures on the transportation minimum component by analyzing the costs charged to reach 33A, which had an allocation of 90% and 10% for CCWA and SLO, respectively. These procedures included testing direct costs charged to reach 33A related to invoices, labor costs, and indirect costs charged to reach 33A through the alpha allocation cycles. We performed an analysis of costs charged to reach 33A, comparing the calendar year 2020 costs to the calendar year 2021 costs for specific cost centers and projects. Direct labor costs were a main driver of the overall change in these costs. The following table summarizes changes in direct to reach 33A charges.

Reach	Cost Center	Project	Calendar Year 2021 Costs	Calendar Year 2020 Costs	Increase/ (Decrease) in Costs
33A	2280871503	Air Chamber Recoat	\$ 778,558	\$ 6,631	\$ 771,927
33A	2280871504	Air Chamber Recoat	\$ 5,043	\$ 510,797	\$ (505,754)
33A	2280871504	System Study	\$ 68,226	\$ 155,577	\$ (87,351)
33A	2300871500	Miscellaneous	\$ 365,522	\$ 240,817	\$ 124,705
33A	2300871502	Repairs and Maintenance	\$ 640,047	\$ 976,470	\$ (336,423)
33A	2300871503	Repairs and Maintenance	\$ 1,107,384	\$ 502,129	\$ 605,255
33A	2300871504	Environment	\$ 22,008	\$ 146,206	\$ (124,198)
33A	2300871504	Inspection and Testing	\$ 93,608	\$ 381,725	\$ (288,117)

The change in direct labor costs charged to reach 33A also impacts the indirect cost allocations for the transportation minimum component, as these allocations are calculated based on direct labor hours. The following table summarizes these changes.

Alpha Allocation Cycle	Calendar Year 2021 Allocation	Calendar Year 2020 Allocation	Change
FDL907	52.70%	53.98%	(1.28%)
FFN907	11.09%	10.12%	0.97%
FAD908	3.20%	2.92%	0.28%
FAD909	3.20%	2.92%	0.28%
SAA913	1.80%	1.60%	0.20%
SAA923	1.80%	1.60%	0.20%

The current year procedures are performed on the 2023 SOC with a fiscal year end of June 30, 2022, which includes December 31, 2021 actual costs with projections thereafter. The procedures reference various procedures that are defined as follows:

- 2021 - Calendar year actual costs
- 2022 - Fiscal year ended June 30, 2022
- 2023 SOC - Includes actual costs through December 31, 2021 with projections thereafter

We selected a sample of direct labor hours charged to selected Internal Orders (IOs) and made inquiries to the Department to identify the nature of the work performed and the location the work pertained to. We then determined if the direct labor costs were billed to the reach based on the responses obtained from the selected employees.

Our procedures related to analyzing invoices charged to specific IOs has led to a specific finding. Such invoice related finding pertained to costs charged to a specific direct cost allocation that appears to be more appropriately allocated to a field division based on the work being performed and internal documentation. We observed Pacific Industry Supply included electrical supplies in the amount of \$33,635 being directly charged to reach 33A. The reallocation of these costs through alpha allocation cycle M-FFN907 results in an overstatement of \$26,223 to CCWA and an overstatement of \$2,663 to SLO.

We have performed procedures over the allocation of downstream costs to reach 33A and reach 31A. We identified the calculated downstream costs were not fully allocated down to the reach level which resulted in an understatement to reach 33A in the amount of \$31,263 and an overstatement to reach 31A in the amount of \$17,670.

We have performed procedures over the rate management credit allocation used in the 2023 SOC and assessed whether the transportation capital component used in the calculation agreed to supporting documentation. We observed that the transportation capital component for CCWA and SLO agreed to the applicable support. Additionally, we performed a fluctuation analysis by Contractor to explain the change in rate management credit allocations.

We have performed procedures over Coastal Branch Extension (CBX) debt service to assess whether CCWA properly received credits for reduced debt service payments as a result of bond series Q and W refinancing. We observed that the Department bills debt service in the SOC in advance of bond refinancing, and then does not subsequently adjust the billings to reflect the impact of the refinanced debt for CCWA. \$1,219,322 has been overcharged to CCWA from 1998 to 2023, plus interest impact of \$665,887, for a total of \$1,885,209. Interest was calculated assuming the project interest rate. The actual interest impact will be determined at a later date.

We have performed procedures over the Cost/Debt reconciliation project to assess whether the over collection of capital construction costs related to bond series Q and W issued for CBX was reflected as a reduction in debt service to CCWA in the amount of \$6,662,243. We observed the over collection of \$6,662,243 was present in the spreadsheet which represents a credit due CCWA. In addition, we assessed whether the capital construction costs reconciled between SAP and Table B-10, *Capital Costs of Each Aqueduct Reach to be Reimbursed through Capital Cost Component of Transportation Charge*. We found an unreconciled difference between the capital construction costs in SAP and Table B-10 in the amount of \$4,512.

We have performed procedures over the alpha allocation cycle FAD890 corrections made by the Department to correct the historical misallocation of costs through this alpha allocation cycle. The Department has moved these costs to associated alpha allocation cycles to adjust these historical misallocations of costs. When assessing the reallocation between alpha cost center 2103FAD890 (Delta Water Charge) to cost center 2133300000 (Delta Water Charge), we observed the Department double recorded the journal entry while moving these costs resulting in an overstatement of costs to CCWA and SLO. This resulted in an overstatement of costs to the contractors in the amount of \$636,249 (\$6,936 to CCWA and \$3,812 to SLO).

The following tables show the estimated impact for CCWA and SLO for all findings quantified in the current year report.

Table 1 – Summary of Invoice Finding for CCWA and SLO

Contractor	Overstatement of Charges
CCWA	\$ 26,223
SLO	2,663
Total	\$ 28,886

Table 2 – Summary of CBX Debt Service Finding for CCWA

Contractor	Overstatement of Debt Service	Interest Impact	Total Overstatement of Debt Service with Interest Impact
CCWA	\$ 1,219,322	\$ 665,887	\$ 1,885,209

Table 3 – Summary of FAD890 Finding for CCWA and SLO

Contractor	Overstatement of Charges
CCWA	\$ 6,936
SLO	3,812
Total	\$ 10,748



## Detailed Discussion of Procedures

### Areas of Focus

- Transportation Minimum
- Rate Management Credit Allocation
- CBX Direct Debt Service
- CBX Cost/Debt Reconciliation
- FAD890 Alpha Allocation Cycle Procedures

### Findings and Recommendations Summary Tables

Throughout the report, summary tables are categorized as findings or recommendations. Findings specifically relate to observations with a dollar impact to CCWA and SLO. Recommendations are process improvements observed for the Department, specifically identified through current year procedures for which no dollar impact to CCWA or SLO was determined.

The findings and recommendations summary tables throughout the report identify the risk of future occurrence. This risk rating provides CCWA and SLO with a meaningful measurement of the likelihood of similar findings in subsequent years if the finding is not addressed or corrected. CCWA and SLO have requested that we use the following risk rating definitions:

- High – it is highly likely (or probable) that the error or process failure will be repeated.
- Medium – it is more likely than not that the error or process failure will be repeated.
- Low – it is possible that the error or process failure will be repeated.

## Internal Control Impact Framework

The internal control categories presented in the findings and recommendation summary tables detail the root cause of the finding or recommendation. We have summarized all findings and recommendations into internal control categories, which are presented in the Internal Control Impact Framework. This framework that has been developed by CCWA and SLO is as follows:

### 1. Control Activities:

- a. Internal Controls on Reconciliations, Approvals, Assets, Segregation of Duties – Findings in this category are the result of errant internal control measures or practices. This includes approvals, verifications, reconciliations, and segregation of duties.
- b. Internal Controls on Data Environment to Ensure Data Integrity – Findings in this category are the result of errant data control measures or practices. This includes practices that result in altered, damaged, or errant data included in calculations or reporting.

### 2. Control Environment:

- a. Policy: Determination of Beneficiary – Findings in this category are the result of no policy or lack of compliance with policy regarding full reimbursement of cost and having a defined beneficiary prior to providing service.
- b. Policy: Determination of Cost Categorization – Findings in this category are the result of no policy or lack of compliance with policy regarding controls and approvals of cost classification/codification prior to posting into a system of record.
- c. Policy: Accounting Standards for Consistency – Findings in this category are the result of the DWR adopting an accounting principle, method or practice and not consistently following the principle, method or practice in future accounting periods.
- d. Policy: Accounting Standards for Timeliness – Findings in this category are the result of DWR not following the accounting principle of timeliness or the need for accounting information to be presented to the users in time to fulfill their decision-making needs.
- e. Procedures: No Procedures – Findings in this category are the result of DWR not having established standardized processes or procedures.
- f. Procedures: Errant Procedures – Findings in this category are the result of DWR having errant standardized processes or procedures creating a weakness in internal control processes.
- g. Procedures: Procedures not Being Followed – Findings in this category are the result of DWR staff not following standardized processes or procedures creating a weakness in internal control processes.

## Transportation Minimum

### *Procedures Performed*

We performed the following detailed procedures on the transportation minimum component for reach 33A:

- Transportation minimum direct allocation for reach 33A:
  - Obtained a listing of IOs associated with costs of specific projects and performed an analysis comparing 2020 to 2021.
  - Assessed a sample of IOs with the largest increase in costs and hours charged from specific projects resulting from the analysis completed in the preceding procedure.
  - Assessed a sample from the largest new groups and employees of like IOs in 2021.
- Transportation minimum indirect allocation for reach 33A:
  - Selected the largest alpha allocation cycles causing the increase in indirect costs for the Statewide, San Joaquin Field Division, and Coastal Branch (CB) allocations:
    - Statewide: M-FAD908, M-FAD909, M-SAA913, M-SAA923
    - San Joaquin Field Division: M-FFN907
    - CB: M-FDL907
  - Obtained a listing of IOs associated with the costs for the alpha allocation cycles and the specific projects and performed a fluctuation analysis from 2020 to 2021.
  - Assessed a sample of IOs with the largest increase in costs and hours charged from specific projects resulting from the fluctuation analysis from 2020 to 2021.
  - Assessed a sample from the largest new groups and employees of similar IOs in 2021.
- Downstream allocation for reach 33A and reach 31A:
  - Investigated the change in downstream expenses.
  - Recalculated the allocation of downstream expenses to reach 33A and reach 31A.
- Investigated any variances identified.

## Findings and Recommendations

We performed a fluctuation analysis on transportation minimum direct allocation to reach 33A and the largest alpha allocation cycles causing significant changes (increases or decreases) in indirect costs for the Statewide, San Joaquin Field Division, and CB allocations from 2020 to 2021. The results of this analysis are as follows:

Cost Center	Project	Calendar Year 2021 Costs	Calendar Year 2020 Costs	Increase/ (Decrease)	Change Description
2280871503	Air Chamber Recoat	\$ 778,558	\$ 6,631	\$ 771,927	The change in costs from 2020 to 2021 primarily relates to an increase in air chamber recoat costs. The increase in costs consisted of air chamber recoat being purchased to a greater extent in 2021 compared to 2020.
2280871504	Air Chamber Recoat	\$ 5,043	\$ 510,797	\$ (505,754)	The change in costs from 2020 to 2021 primarily relates to a decrease in air chamber recoat costs. The decrease in costs consisted of air chamber recoat being purchased to a lesser extent in 2021 compared to 2020. This cost center should be reviewed with the above cost center as the Department charged the costs to a different cost center in the current year. The air chamber recoat costs in total increased compared to the prior year given the greater purchases in 2021 compared to 2020.
2280871504	System Study	\$ 68,226	\$ 155,577	\$ (87,351)	The change in costs from 2020 to 2021 primarily relates to a decrease in direct labor and IT hardware purchases. The labor hours changed from 977 in 2020 to 317 in 2021. The change in labor and IT hardware purchases related to IT hardware work and purchases to a lesser extent in 2021 compared to 2020.
2300871500	Miscellaneous	\$ 365,522	\$ 240,817	\$ 124,705	The change in costs from 2020 to 2021 primarily relates to a increase in direct labor. The labor hours changed from 1,393 in 2020 to 2,037 in 2021. The change in labor was primarily related to operational inspections and audit research work being performed at reach 33A in 2021 that was performed to a greater extent in 2021 compared to 2020.
2300871502	Repairs and Maintenance	\$ 640,047	\$ 976,470	\$ (336,423)	The change in costs from 2020 to 2021 primarily relates to a decrease in direct labor costs. The labor hours changed from 5,634 in 2020 to 3,676 in 2021. The direct labor costs consisted of various repairs (i.e., plant and bridge crane lighting refurbishments, compressor refurbishments, air chamber level controls, heat pump replacements, seal water pipes, and hydraulic guard valves) performed to a lesser extent in 2021 compared to 2020.
2300871503	Repairs and Maintenance	\$ 1,107,384	\$ 502,129	\$ 605,255	The change in costs from 2020 to 2021 primarily relates to an increase in direct labor costs. The labor hours changed from 2,551 in 2020 to 9,395 in 2021. The direct labor costs consisted of various repairs (i.e., compressor refurbishments, unit 6 removal/troubleshoot/repair, and hydraulic guard valves) performed to a greater extent in 2021 compared to 2020.
2300871504	Environment	\$ 22,008	\$ 146,206	\$ (124,198)	The change in costs from 2020 to 2021 primarily relates to a decrease in environment costs. The environment costs consisted of various clean-up costs (i.e., monthly cleanups, sanitations, and forebay clean-up) performed to a lesser extent in 2021 compared to 2020.
2300871504	Inspection and Testing	\$ 93,608	\$ 381,725	\$ (288,117)	The change in costs from 2020 to 2021 primarily relates to a decrease in direct labor costs. The labor hours changed from 2,100 in 2020 to 390 in 2021. The direct labor costs consisted of various installations and testing that were not performed in 2021 to the same extent.
2280FFN907	Environment	\$ 252,353	\$ 18,114	\$ 234,239	The change in costs from 2020 to 2021 primarily relates to an increase in environment costs. The environment costs consisted of habitat conservation plans performed to a greater extent in 2021 compared to 2020.
2300FFN907	Repairs and Maintenance	\$ 270,944	\$ 190,080	\$ 80,864	The change in costs from 2020 to 2021 primarily relates to an increase in direct labor costs. The labor hours changed from 16,287 in 2020 to 17,025 in 2021. The direct labor costs consisted of various repairs (i.e., copper monitoring and repair, asphalt crack filling, and plant maintenance) performed to a greater extent in 2021 compared to 2020.
2300FFN907	Vehicle	\$ 94,109	\$ 223,940	\$ (129,831)	The change in costs from 2020 to 2021 primarily relates to an increase in fuel and maintenance costs for vehicles used.

Cost Center	Project	Calendar Year 2021 Costs	Calendar Year 2020 Costs	Increase/ (Decrease)	Change Description
2300FDL907	Annual Order	\$ 232,354	\$ 193,048	\$ 39,306	The change in costs from 2020 to 2021 primarily relates to an increase in direct labor. The labor hours changed from 3,644 in 2020 to 3,956 in 2021. The direct labor costs consisted of work related to the San Joaquin Field Division annual trainings and apprentice trainings performed in 2021 to a larger extent compared to 2020.
2300FDL907	Tooling	\$ 88,924	\$ 70,300	\$ 18,624	The change in costs from 2020 to 2021 primarily relates to an increase in tooling, office, and safety supplies.
2310FAD908	Operations Control Office	\$ 323,408	\$ 205,218	\$ 118,190	The change in costs from 2020 to 2021 primarily relates to an increase in direct labor costs. The labor hours changed from 24,757 in 2020 to 39,038 in 2021. The direct labor costs consisted of various office work (i.e., hiring, administration duties, and infrastructure support) performed in 2021 to a larger extent compared to 2020.
2325FAD908	Administration	\$ 69,348	\$ 32,191	\$ 37,157	The change in costs from 2020 to 2021 primarily relates to an increase in direct labor costs. The labor hours changed from 7,691 in 2020 to 13,250 in 2021. The direct labor costs consisted of work related to various administration work (i.e., hiring process, business services, and document preparation) performed in 2021 to a larger extent compared to 2020.
2325FAD908	Training	\$ 96,239	\$ 49,436	\$ 46,803	The change in costs from 2020 to 2021 primarily relates to increase in direct labor costs. The labor hours increased from 10,926 in 2020 to 18,250 in 2021. The direct labor costs consisted of work related to training, meetings, and practices performed in 2021 that was not performed in 2020 to the same extent.
2310FAD909	Operations Control Office	\$ 233,206	\$ 206,044	\$ 27,162	The change in costs from 2020 to 2021 primarily relates to an increase in real-time dispatch costs performed in 2021 to a larger extent compared to 2020.
2350FAD909	Operations Control Office	\$ 121,942	\$ 118,083	\$ 3,859	The change in costs from 2020 to 2021 primarily relates to an increase in general water and support costs performed in 2021 to a larger extent compared to 2020.
2300SAA913	Pro Rata Charges Program	\$ 508,773	\$ 442,979	\$ 65,794	The change in costs from 2020 to 2021 primarily relates to pro rata charges which are charges assessed from the State of California for state services. These are costs pushed down to the Department of Water Resources from the State of California each year.
2503SAA913	Debt	\$ 484,242	\$ 126,239	\$ 358,003	The change in costs from 2020 to 2021 primarily relates Senate Bill 84 interest and loan payments which did not exist in 2020.
2503SAA923	State Water Project	\$ 81,591	\$ -	\$ 81,591	The change in cost from 2020 to 2021 primarily relates to work related to water deliveries administrative work performed in 2021 which did not exist in 2020.

We selected a sample of 88 invoices charged to reach 33A (20 charged direct to reach 33A and 68 charged indirect to reach 33A through an alpha allocation cycle) and assessed for the following attributes:

1. We assessed whether they were classified as direct or indirect (through an alpha allocation cycle) to reach.
2. For invoices charged direct to reach, we assessed how they were assigned to the reach.
3. For invoices charged to multiple reaches, we assessed whether they were allocated to a statewide or field division alpha allocation cycle.
4. We assessed whether the invoice amount charged in the Financial Accounting System (an SAP module) PR5 reconciled to the Utility Cost Allocation and Billing System (an SAP module) (UCABS).
5. We assessed whether the invoice was recovered through the transportation minimum component.

Finding AUD-000605	
Finding:	Pacific Industry Supply invoice #102079 related to claim 1409708 included costs related to alpha allocation cycle M-FFN907, but had costs charged directly to reach 33A.
Dollar Amount:	\$33,635
Type:	Reallocation of costs among the Contractors
Risk of Future Occurrence:	High
Internal Control Matter:	Policy: Determination of Cost Categorization
Contractors Affected:	CCWA and SLO
Recommendation:	The Department should charge the work performed for this claim through alpha allocation cycle M-FFN907.
Department Response:	The Department will review this claim to assess the current allocation.

During our procedures to determine whether amounts recovered through the transportation minimum component are supported through the inspection of invoices, we observed costs relating to invoice #102079 included costs related to alpha allocation cycle M-FFN907, but had costs charged directly to reach 33A.

Table CC.1 – Reallocation to Alpha Allocation Cycle M-FFN907

Contractor	Current Allocation	Adjusted Allocation	(Decrease)/Increase in Charges
Alameda County FC and WCD Zone 7	\$ –	\$ 103	\$ 103
Antelope Valley-East Kern Water Agency	–	1,286	1,286
Coachella Valley Water District	–	1,476	1,476
Crestline-Lake Arrowhead Water Agency	–	56	56
Desert Water Agency	–	590	590
Dudley Ridge Water District	–	12	12
Future San Joaquin	–	171	171
Kern County Water Agency – Agricultural	–	2,910	2,910
Kern County Water Agency – Municipal and Industrial	–	188	188
County of Kings	–	7	7
Littlerock Creek Irrigation District	–	21	21
Metropolitan Water District of Southern California	–	17,945	17,945
Mojave Water Agency	–	1,107	1,107
Napa County FC and WCD	–	23	23
Palmdale Water District	–	190	190
San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District	–	994	994
San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District	–	273	273
San Geronio Pass Water Agency	–	168	168
San Luis Obispo County FC and WCD	3,398	735	(2,663)
Santa Barbara County FC and WCD	30,238	4,015	(26,223)
Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency	–	1,145	1,145
Solano County Water Agency	–	35	35
Tulare Lake Basin Water Storage District	–	7	7
Ventura County Watershed Protection District	–	179	179
Total	\$ 33,636	\$ 33,636	\$ –

We investigated the change in downstream expenses from calendar year 2020 to calendar year 2021. The following table shows the costs for each year:

Table CC.2 - Change in Downstream Expenses

Reach	Calendar Year 2021 Costs	Calendar Year 2020 Costs	Change in Costs
33A	\$ 273,756	\$ 41,818	\$ 231,938
31A	\$ (108,010)	\$ (77,739)	\$ (30,271)

We observed an increase in downstream costs from 2020 to 2021 related to reach 33A. We observed operational losses increases by 937 acre-feet (1,177 in 2021 compared with 240 in 2020) and water deliveries decreased by 587 acre-feet (14,272 in 2021 compared with 14,859 in 2020). Due to the change in operational losses and water deliveries, there was an increase in downstream costs for reach 33A for 2021. We reperformed the downstream calculation for the 2021 year and recalculated the balance of \$273,756 for reach 33A and \$(108,010) for reach 31A.

Finding AUD-000606	
Finding:	Downstream costs for reach 33A and reach 31A were not fully allocated down to the reach level.
Dollar Amount:	Reach 33A - Understatement of downstream costs of \$31,263 Reach 31A - Overstatement of downstream costs of \$17,670
Type:	Downstream costs not fully allocated down to the reach level
Risk of Future Occurrence:	High
Internal Control Matter:	Policy: Determination of Beneficiary
Contractors Affected:	CCWA and SLO
Recommendation:	The Department should allocate all downstream costs down to the reach level within SAP.
Department Response:	The Department will allocate all downstream costs down to the reach level within SAP as part of the 2024 SOC.

We have performed procedures over the allocation of downstream costs to reach 33A and reach 31A. We identified the calculated downstream costs were not fully allocated down to the reach level which resulted in an understatement to reach 33A in the amount of \$31,263 and an overstatement to reach 31A in the amount of \$17,670.

## Rate Management Credit Allocation

### *Procedures Performed*

We performed the following procedures to assess the rate management credit allocation used for the 2023 SOC:

- Assessed the total transportation capital cost component used to supporting documentation.
- Investigated any changes in the rate management credit allocations for CCWA and SLO between the 2019 and 2023 SOC years. These are the years that the Bulletin 132 Appendix A was updated, which is performed every five years for the rate management credit allocation.
- Performed a fluctuation analysis by contractor on the rate management credit received.

### *Findings and Recommendations*

The rate management credit calculation represents the refund to Contractors of amounts collected under the existing water contracts, but exceeding allowable expenditures as defined by the Monterey Amendment. The Monterey Amendment, Article 51(c), defines the calculation of available funds for the rate management credit calculation as the following:

Revenues (chargeable to Contractors under existing contracts)	–	Revenue Needs (limited to specified purposes)	=	Available Funds (i.e., Rate Management Credits)
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Revenues in the above formula include all amounts collected from the Contractors under existing provisions of the water supply contracts.

The revenue needs in the formula above are limited to the following categories of expenses:

- (1) Amounts required to be collected with respect to revenue bonds issued by the State for project facilities.
- (2) Amounts required for payment of costs of maintenance and operation of the State Water Resources Development System (SWRDS), excluding Federal Central Valley Project Facilities acquired by the State after 1994, other than the State's share of joint use facilities, including San Luis Reservoir and Canal and related facilities.
- (3) Amounts required for payment of the principal and interest on bonds issued pursuant to the Burns-Porter Act.
- (4) Amounts required to be transferred to the California Water Fund in reimbursement for funds utilized for construction of the SWRDS.
- (5) Beginning in 1998, the amounts needed for deposit into the State Water Facilities Capital Account (limited to \$4.5 million per year for years 2001 and thereafter).

Available funds are the excess of amounts collected from Contractors over amounts needed for the purposes defined above. According to the Monterey Amendment, Section 51(d)(4), in 2001 and in each succeeding year, reductions of \$40.5 million are available for allocation among the Contractors.



Per the Monterey Amendment Article 51(f)(2)(i), the apportionment of reductions among Urban Contractors shall be made annually through the year 1999. Beginning in the year 2000, recalculations shall be made every five years unless an Urban Contractor requests a recalculation for an interim year and does so by request in writing delivered to the Department by January 1 of the year in which the recalculation is to take place. Per review of the Department’s calculation, we observed that the inputs used have been updated to reflect the inputs based on the Bulletin 132. The table below shows the Bulletin 132 used for the past four years:

Table CC.3 – Urban Rate Management Credit Update Calendar

SOC Year	Bulletin
2019	B132-14
2020	B132-19
2021	B132-19
2022	B132-19
2023	B132-19

The Monterey Amendment, Article 51(g) governs the allocation of reductions among Agricultural Contractors, and states that the allocation shall be based on each Contractor’s proportion of all Agricultural Contractors’ estimated capital and minimum components of the Delta Water Charge and the Transportation Charge, excluding Off-Aqueduct Power charges, and the Water System Revenue Bonds, from 1997 to 2035. This allocation is to be recalculated every five years beginning in 2002, if any Agricultural Contractor requests such a recalculation. Any recalculation shall be based on project cost data beginning with the year that the recalculation is to become effective through 2035. No requests have been made regarding a recalculation, so there have been no changes in the rate management credits for Agricultural Contractors.

As part of our procedures over the rate management credit allocations, we agreed the total transportation capital component used to Bulletin 132-19 Table B-15. We did not observe any differences as shown below:

Table CC.4 – Transportation Capital Component

Contractor	Per Calculation	Per B132-19 Table B-15	Difference
CCWA	\$ 988,708,000	\$ 988,708,000	\$ –
SLO	\$ 92,614,000	\$ 92,614,000	\$ –

We additionally performed a fluctuation analysis on the allocation of rate management credits by Urban Contractor for the SOC years of 2019 (the latest year which uses a different Bulletin 132) to 2023.

We observed that Antelope Valley-East Kern Water Agency, Littlerock Creek Irrigation District, Palmdale Water District, San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District, San Gorgonio Pass Water Agency, Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency, and Ventura County Watershed Protection District had increases in their rate management credit from 2019 to 2023. This is due to these Contractors having increased capital costs and an increased percentage of total transportation capital costs among the Urban Contractors when comparing B132-14 with B132-19. The Contractors receiving the largest increase in their rate management credit were San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District and San Gorgonio Pass Water Agency. We observed an increase of rate management credits for San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District of \$182,253 and for San Gorgonio Pass Water Agency of \$236,880. These increases are driven by increases in the East Branch Extension costs and the repayment of the associated debt.

All Contractors had an increase in their transportation capital costs when comparing 2019 with 2023, but not all Contractors had an increase in their percentage of the total transportation capital costs among the Urban Contractors. The Urban Contractors with increases in their rate management credit had an increase in their percentage of the total transportation capital costs among all Urban Contractors while the Urban Contractors with decreases in their rate management credit had a decrease in their percentage of the total transportation capital costs among all Urban Contractors.

When comparing 2019 with 2023, CCWA's credit decreased by \$228,828 and SLO's credit decreased by \$13,747. Despite CCWA and SLO having an increase in their transportation capital component from the B132-14 to the B132-19, these increases did not cause a corresponding increase in the rate management credit, as other Urban Contractors had a larger percentage increase in their portion of the total transportation capital component. A summary of the fluctuation analysis by Urban Contractor is shown below:

Table CC.5 – Urban Contractors Rate Management Credit Fluctuation

Contractor	2019 SOC Rate Management Credit	2023 SOC Rate Management Credit	(Decrease)/ Increase in Charges
Alameda County FC and WCD District Zone 7	\$ 312,388	\$ 312,327	\$ (61)
Alameda County Water District	313,313	303,566	(9,747)
Antelope Valley-East Kern Water Agency	835,510	837,266	1,756
County of Butte	84,013	84,013	–
Coachella Valley Water District	189,819	187,381	(2,438)
Crestline-Lake Arrowhead Water Agency	55,574	54,515	(1,059)
Desert Water Agency	312,970	308,957	(4,013)
Kern County Water Agency – Municipal and Industrial	484,549	480,353	(4,196)
Littlerock Creek Irrigation District	14,445	14,458	13
Metropolitan Water District of Southern California	18,521,653	18,454,954	(66,699)
Mojave Water Agency	389,737	385,316	(4,421)
Napa County FC and WCD	456,246	423,748	(32,498)
Palmdale Water District	107,208	107,355	147
Plumas Country FC and WCD	10,851	10,601	(250)
San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District	1,763,197	1,945,450	182,253
San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District	295,294	289,522	(5,772)
San Geronio Pass Water Agency	951,872	1,188,752	236,880
San Luis Obispo County FC and WCD	340,928	327,181	(13,747)
Santa Barbara County FC and WCD	3,045,288	2,816,460	(228,828)
Santa Clara Valley Water District	888,643	861,062	(27,581)
Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency	428,848	432,981	4,133
Solano County Water Agency	519,583	495,282	(24,301)
Ventura County Watershed Protection District	148,743	149,172	429
City of Yuba City	29,328	29,328	–
Total	\$ 30,500,000	\$ 30,500,000	\$ –

We additionally performed a fluctuation on the transportation capital component as it impacts the rate management credit that is ultimately given to each Contractor. A summary of the fluctuation analysis by Urban Contractor is shown below:

Table CC.6 – Increase in Transportation Capital Component from 2019 to 2023 SOC

Contractor	\$ Increase	% Increase
Alameda County FC and WCD Zone 7	\$ 6,071	10.58%
Alameda County Water District	2,960	4.79%
Antelope Valley-East Kern Water Agency	15,281	11.09%
County of Butte	–	0.00%
Coachella Valley Water District	3,327	8.36%
Crestline-Lake Arrowhead Water Agency	951	7.53%
Desert Water Agency	5,488	8.36%
Kern County Water Agency – Municipal and Industrial	2,675	6.73%
Littlerock Creek Irrigation District	268	10.82%
Metropolitan Water District of Southern California	414,199	10.03%
Mojave Water Agency	6,684	8.54%
Napa County FC and WCD	1,469	1.16%
Palmdale Water District	1,982	10.92%
Plumas Country FC and WCD	–	0.00%
San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District	118,703	24.53%
San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District	5,219	7.54%
San Geronio Pass Water Agency	119,348	39.77%
San Luis Obispo County FC and WCD	4,304	4.87%
Santa Barbara County FC and WCD	18,550	1.91%
Santa Clara Valley Water District	10,492	5.39%
Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency	10,861	12.36%
Solano County Water Agency	4,900	3.75%
Ventura County Watershed Protection District	3,266	11.16%
City of Yuba City	–	0.00%
Total	\$ 756,998	210.19%

**Coastal Branch Extension Direct Debt Service**

*Procedures Performed*

Determined whether the refinanced bonds were credited to the direct billed debt service for the CBX.

*Findings and Recommendations*

We determined whether the refinanced bonds were credited to the direct billed debt service for the CB construction. The direct billed debt service reflected in the SOC relates to the CBX, which appears as a separate line item. The CBX was originally funded by bond series Q and W. As interest rates have decreased over time, the Department has issued new debt and refinanced the older bonds to take advantage of the favorable interest rates. We observed that bond series Q and W were subsequently refinanced with several bond series and the CBX debt service schedule was adjusted for the new debt. Bond series Q and W were refinanced with bond series U, X, Z, AC, AD, AF, AH, AI, AJ, AK, AL, AN, AO, AS, AX, AY, AZ, BC, and BE. The Department bills debt service in the SOC in advance and did not subsequently adjust the billings to provide the benefit of the refinanced debt service to CCWA.

Finding AUD-000607	
Finding:	CBX direct billed debt service charged to CCWA is overstated, as the amount charged in the SOC was not subsequently adjusted to provide the benefits of the refinanced debt service for bond series Q and W.
Dollar Amount:	Overstatement of debt service charges of \$1,219,322 from 1998 to 2023 plus interest impact of \$665,887 = total of \$1,885,209 Interest was calculated assuming the project interest rate. Actual interest impact to be determined at a later date.
Type:	Overstatement of debt service charges to CCWA
Risk of Future Occurrence:	High
Internal Control Matter:	Policy: Determination of Beneficiary
Contractors Affected:	CCWA
Recommendation:	The Department should update the 2024 SOC to reflect the benefits of the refinanced debt service to CCWA.
Department Response:	The Department will re-evaluate the direct billed debt service charged to CCWA as part of a future SOC.

We compared the debt service charged in the SOC from 1998 to 2023 with the CBX debt service schedule that reflects the refinanced debt service and observed overstatement of costs to CCWA. The total overstatement for CCWA is \$1,219,322. It should be noted that this overstatement does not reflect interest impact in the amount of \$665,887 due to CCWA related to the overstatement. Interest was calculated assuming the project interest rate. The actual interest impact will be determined at a later date. The impact by year is as follows:

Table CC.7 – CBX Refinanced Debt Service Compared to SOC

Year	CBX Refinanced Debt Service	SOC	(Decrease)/ Increase in Charges	Interest Impact	(Decrease)/ Increase in Charges with Interest Impact
1998	\$ 1,828,740	\$ 1,828,740	\$ –	\$ –	\$ –
1999	1,807,850	1,828,740	(20,890)	(40,304)	(61,194)
2000	1,807,850	1,807,850	–	–	–
2001	1,807,850	1,807,850	–	–	–
2002	2,646,399	2,607,592	38,807	60,580	99,387
2003	2,555,425	2,609,090	(53,665)	(77,756)	(131,421)
2004	2,518,350	2,534,743	(16,393)	(21,994)	(38,387)
2005	2,467,603	2,535,393	(67,790)	(83,999)	(151,789)
2006	2,475,389	2,475,189	200	228	428
2007	3,240,774	3,240,775	(1)	–	(1)
2008	2,346,621	2,348,278	(1,657)	(1,587)	(3,244)
2009	2,142,563	2,344,563	(202,000)	(176,122)	(378,122)
2010	2,254,171	1,911,435	342,736	270,732	613,468
2011	3,039,251	3,209,705	(170,454)	(121,282)	(291,736)
2012	2,777,523	3,083,159	(305,636)	(194,558)	(500,194)
2013	2,863,014	3,197,652	(334,638)	(189,037)	(523,675)
2014	3,323,429	3,412,192	(88,763)	(44,059)	(132,822)
2015	3,685,786	3,683,977	1,809	779	2,588
2016	3,676,929	3,675,120	1,809	666	2,475
2017	3,479,106	3,477,297	1,809	558	2,367
2018	2,508,605	2,677,872	(169,267)	(42,479)	(211,746)
2019	2,072,080	1,946,110	125,970	24,712	150,682
2020	2,665,034	2,787,448	(122,414)	(17,602)	(140,016)
2021	2,682,790	2,790,710	(107,920)	(10,112)	(118,032)
2022	3,301,657	3,372,631	(70,974)	(3,251)	(74,225)
2023	2,454,054	2,454,054	–	–	–
Total	\$ 68,428,843	\$ 69,648,165	\$ (1,219,322)	\$ (665,887)	\$ (1,885,209)

## Cost/Debt Reconciliation

### *Procedures Performed*

We performed procedures over the cost/debt reconciliation file, as follows:

- Assessed the corrections related to the cost/debt reconciliation project are reflected in the master file between CBX and Water Systems Debt.

### *Findings and Recommendations*

The cost/debt reconciliation project has been in process for approximately nine years. In 2014, the Department recognized that the debt service charges to the Contractors did not equal the capital costs charged to each project. The amount of debt service allocated to a project should only be the amount of capital costs incurred. Any over/under of debt service should be re-allocated to Water Systems to be used for general capital projects that benefit the entire project. The Department consulted a third-party consultant to perform a reconciliation (2014 cost/debt reconciliation file) of capital costs and debt service up to May 31, 2014. In 2021, the third-party consultant performed a second reconciliation (2021 cost/debt reconciliation file) for dates between June 1, 2014 to May 31, 2021. In addition, updates were made to the original 2014 cost/debt reconciliation file after its completion date. We received a new version of the file from the Department during this year's procedures. The process performed on the reconciliations by the third-party consultant included:

1. Capital Cost Data - Data from SAP was downloaded through May 31, 2021. The Department had to decide on a cut-off date for this project based on the fact the project would extend for more than five years. Therefore, no data subsequent to May 31, 2021 was factored into the calculation. In order to validate the data from SAP, the information was reconciled to Bulletin 132-13 and Bulletin 132-21 Table B-10, *Capital Costs of Each Aqueduct Reach to be Reimbursed through Capital Cost Component of Transportation Charge*, Table B-13, *Capital and Operating Costs of Project Conservation Facilities to be Reimbursed through Delta Water Charge*, and Table B-26, *Capital Costs of Each Aqueduct Reach to be Reimbursed through the Capital Cost Component of the East Branch Enlargement Transportation Charge Phase 1 and Phase 2*.
2. Debt Data - Debt data was accumulated for each bond series by year and by project. The debt data was obtained from the Department's bond pricing reports and P&I schedules which are the original source documents for debt data. Only the construction debt was taken from the P&I schedules that represents the capital related debt service. In order to validate the debt data from the bond pricing reports and P&I schedules, the information was reconciled to the WSRB schedules.
3. Cost/Debt Mapping - A summary schedule was created, based on the information accumulated from the capital cost data and debt data as described above. When comparing the cost and debt data, there were specific "judgment calls" and reconciling items made in order to reallocate the debt to the appropriate projects (CB Extension, South Bay Enlargement and Improvement, Tehachapi East Afterbay, EBX, EBE, and WSRB). These judgment calls were primarily determined by Pedro Villalobos, former Chief of Project Cost Branch through discussions with the third-party consultant.
4. Pricing Reports - Once the final cost/debt mapping has been agreed upon by the Contractors, all pricing reports will be adjusted to reflect the final debt to be allocated to each respective project. This part of the process will be performed in a future SOC.

The following observations are called cost/debt reconciliation project matters due to the fact that the cost/debt reconciliation project is an ongoing project and updates to the files are made real time. These matters have been communicated to the Department and the Contractors throughout the life of the project with updates made to the file real time. These matters can also be classified as findings given they can have a dollar impact to the Contractors. At the time of the procedures, the cost/debt reconciliation project has not been completed.

Cost/Debt Reconciliation Project Matter AUD-000591	
Cost/Debt Reconciliation Project Matter:	The cost/debt reconciliation 2014 spreadsheet includes an unreconciled difference related to the CBX when comparing to Table B-10, <i>Capital Costs of Each Aqueduct Reach to be Reimbursed through Capital Cost Component of Transportation Charge</i> .
Dollar Amount:	Unreconciled difference - \$4,512 (\$32,679,925 per Table B-10 vs. \$32,684,437 per cost/debt reconciliation 2014 spreadsheet)
Type:	Unreconciled difference in the cost/debt reconciliation project
Contractors Affected:	All Contractors
Recommendation:	The Department should reconcile this difference included in the cost/debt reconciliation 2014 spreadsheet.

As part of our 2014 cost/debt reconciliation procedures, we reconciled the capital costs data in SAP to Bulletin 132-13, Table B-10, *Capital Costs of Each Aqueduct Reach to be Reimbursed through Capital Cost Component of Transportation Charge*, for CBX. We found a variance in the amount of \$4,512 between the capital costs data in SAP and Bulletin 132-13, Table B-10. This difference was deemed immaterial to adjust in the reconciliation by the Department.

The following table shows a comparison of the capital costs included in the cost/debt reconciliation for the CBX to Bulletin 132-13 - Table B-10, *Capital Costs of Each Aqueduct Reach to be Reimbursed through Capital Cost Component of Transportation Charge*:

Table CC.8: CBX Capital Costs to Bulletin 132-13 - Table B10

Reach	Capital Costs	Bulletin 132 - Table B-10	Variance
37		\$ 16,067,297	
38		\$ 16,612,628	
Total	\$ 32,684,437	\$ 32,679,925	\$ 4,512

The following table shows the results of the cost/debt reconciliation for the CBX:

Table CC.9: CBX Cost/Debt Reconciliation Results

Year	Capital Costs	Debt Service	Debt Reclasses to WSRB
1991	\$ 320	\$ -	
1992	\$ 176,213	\$ -	
1993	\$ 626,447	\$ -	
1994	\$ 1,993,680	\$ -	
1995	\$ 14,142,416	\$ -	
1996	\$ 13,830,132	\$ 28,796,318	
1997	\$ 1,343,984	\$ -	
1998	\$ 473,345	\$ -	
1999	\$ 88,467	\$ -	
2000	\$ 256	\$ -	
2001	\$ 1,981	\$ 10,550,362	
2002	\$ 1,782	\$ -	
2003	\$ 3,961	\$ -	
2004	\$ 1,432	\$ -	
2005	\$ 26	\$ -	
2006	\$ (5)	\$ -	
Total	\$ 32,684,437	\$ 39,346,680	\$ 6,662,243

As part of the rebill issued in November 2010, the Department issued a credit towards Series X 2010 principal in the amount of \$2,595,000. The cost/debt reconciliation results table above does not include the impact of the credit towards Series X 2010 principal. The Department has noted that as part of the cost/debt reconciliation project, a complete true-up of the cost per year per project will be realigned with debt service issued.

The following table shows a comparison of the debt service included in the cost/debt reconciliation for the CBX to the construction debt for bond series Q and W:

Table CC.10: CBX Debt Service to Bond Series Construction Debt

Bond Series	Debt Service	Construction Debt	Variance
Q		\$ 28,796,318	
W		\$ 10,550,362	
Total	\$ 39,346,680	\$ 39,346,680	\$ -



Cost/Debt Reconciliation Project Matter AUD-000599	
Cost/Debt Reconciliation Project Matter:	The cost/debt reconciliation 2014 and 2021 spreadsheets have undergone several revisions since the start of the project and has included assistance from various personnel from the Department including a third-party consultant. The Department should create a white paper that documents the entire cost/debt reconciliation project from start to finish which includes detailed explanations of the rationale for each reconciling item (instances when the capital costs do not match the associated debt financing) and any "judgment calls" that were required to be made due to lack of documentation/support.
Dollar Amount:	Not Applicable
Type:	Documentation of the cost/debt reconciliation project
Contractors Affected:	All Contractors
Recommendation:	The Department should have the Contractors approve the white paper that documents the entire cost/debt reconciliation project from start to finish before proceeding to the next phase (creating the pricing reports for the bonds).

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## FAD890 Alpha Allocation Cycle Procedures

### *Procedures Performed*

We performed procedures over the reallocation of FAD890 costs as follows:

- Assessed the amount reallocated by the Department through FAD890.
- Held meetings with the Department to understand the methodology and reasoning behind the reallocations.

### *Findings and Recommendations*

Alpha allocation cycles are used to distribute costs across multiple reaches. The Department is currently in the process of standardizing and updating the alpha allocation cycles. This process is intended to be completed, as follows:

- Recalculate the basis of allocation for all direct labor-related alpha allocation cycles (F-series) for 2007–2021 and salaries and wages-related (S-series) alpha allocation cycles for 2007–2021. This process updated the alpha allocation cycle percentages with actual data for each related year (i.e., the reaches to which alpha allocation cycles allocate costs were not changed; however, the percentages attributable to each reach were updated to reflect actual costs of the basis used), since many of these had not been updated for several years. All alpha allocation cycles with a basis of minimum operations and maintenance direct labor (F-series alpha allocation cycles) and salaries and wages (S-series alpha allocation cycles) were updated. This process has been completed and is represented in the 2023 SOC.
- Analyze the validity of remaining alpha allocation cycles. This process is intended to analyze the reaches that are allocated costs in order to determine if the allocation is appropriate based on the costs incurred. The process for completing this process will include an analysis of the costs within the alpha cost centers, and discussions with project managers and Department personnel charging time to these alpha cost centers. The Department has instructed project managers to not charge costs to any alpha allocation cycles that are found to be inappropriate. The Department will correct the historical costs charged to these inappropriate alpha allocation cycles at some point after contract extension, once costs charged to these alpha allocation cycles cease.

As part of the Department's analysis of the alpha allocation cycles, they reallocated costs included in alpha allocation cycle FAD890 given the allocation did not allocate costs to the East Branch Extension and CB-R33A (Devil's Den Pumping Plant) reaches. The costs included in FAD890 represent non-specific costs to be allocated statewide (allocated to all reaches across all contractors).

We performed procedures to assess the amount reallocated by the Department through FAD890. The following tables show the movement of costs and the justification from the Department for the alpha allocation cycles chosen:

Table CC.11: FAD890 Cost Movement Summary Table

Original Cost Center	Costs	New Cost Center	Costs	Variance	Department Justification
2154FAD890 (Delta Water Charge)	\$ 41,940,472	2114FAD908	\$ 41,940,472	–	Cost center 2154FAD890 has been identified as a cost center that bypasses the alpha allocation cycle and is included directly in the Delta Water Charge. Costs should be allocated statewide through the transportation component. Alpha allocation cycle FAD908 allocates statewide to include the East Branch Extension and CB-R33A (Devil's Den Pumping Plant).
2111FAD890	14,863,522	2121FAD908	14,863,522	–	Costs should be allocated statewide. Alpha allocation cycle FAD908 allocates statewide to include the East Branch Extension and CB-R33A (Devil's Den Pumping Plant).
2118FAD890 (Delta Water Charge)	2,271,456	2108250000 (Delta Water Charge)	2,271,456	–	Cost center 2118FAD890 has been identified as a cost center that bypasses the alpha allocation cycle and is included directly in the Delta Water Charge. Cost center 2108250000 allocated costs directly to the Delta Water Charge. The net impact of this cost movement would result in zero change in allocation to CCWA and SLO.
2118FAD890 (Delta Water Charge)	7,700,240	2108300000 (Delta Water Charge)	7,700,240	–	Cost center 2118FAD890 has been identified as a cost center that bypasses the alpha allocation cycle and is included directly in the Delta Water Charge. Cost center 2108300000 allocated costs directly to the Delta Water Charge. The net impact of this cost movement would result in zero change in allocation to CCWA and SLO.

Table CC.11: FAD890 Cost Movement Summary Table (continued)

Original Cost Center	Costs	New Cost Center	Costs	Variance	Department Justification
2118FAD890 (Delta Water Charge)	\$ 16,359,317	2108295000 (Delta Water Charge)	\$ 16,359,317	–	Cost center 2118FAD890 has been identified as a cost center that bypasses the alpha allocation cycle and is included directly in the Delta Water Charge. Cost center 2108295000 allocated costs directly to the Delta Water Charge. The net impact of this cost movement would result in zero change in allocation to CCWA and SLO.
2118FAD890 (Delta Water Charge)	3,191,158	2108300000 (Delta Water Charge)	3,191,158	–	Cost center 2118FAD890 has been identified as a cost center that bypasses the alpha allocation cycle and is included directly in the Delta Water Charge. Cost center 2108300000 allocated costs directly to the Delta Water Charge. The net impact of this cost movement would result in zero change in allocation to CCWA and SLO.
2103FAD890 (Delta Water Charge)	24,075,344	2133300000 (Delta Water Charge)	24,711,593	636,249	Cost center 2103FAD890 has been identified as a cost center that bypasses the alpha allocation cycle and is included directly in the Delta Water Charge. Cost center 2133300000 allocated costs directly to the Delta Water Charge. We observed the Department double recorded a journal entry while moving these costs resulting in an overstatement of costs to CCWA and SLO. Please see finding below.
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 110,401,509</b>		<b>\$ 111,037,758</b>	<b>\$636,249</b>	

Table CC.12: 2114FAD908 Allocation to Reach 33A

	2114FAD908	Reach 33A Allocation	EY Calculation	Per UCABS	Variance
2006	\$ 1,436,963	0.01188	\$ 17,070	\$ 17,070	\$ -
2007	3,276,500	0.01372	44,951	44,951	-
2008	2,918,340	0.01757	51,274	51,274	-
2009	2,894,558	0.01626	47,057	47,057	-
2010	3,021,906	0.02541	76,776	76,776	-
2011	2,610,169	0.02410	62,915	62,915	-
2012	2,559,649	0.02407	61,604	61,604	-
2013	2,608,346	0.02542	66,298	66,298	-
2014	2,552,767	0.00869	22,195	22,195	-
2015	3,090,259	0.01458	45,060	45,060	-
2016	2,829,255	0.02668	75,487	75,487	-
2017	2,856,529	0.03794	108,388	108,388	-
2018	2,406,648	0.03542	85,251	85,251	-
2019	2,989,428	0.02704	80,842	80,842	-
2020	2,593,857	0.02923	75,828	75,828	-
2021	1,295,298	0.03200	41,455	41,455	-
Total	\$ 41,940,472		\$ 962,451	\$ 962,451	\$ -

Table CC.12a: 2154FAD890 (Delta Water Charge) to 2114FAD908 Impact to Reach 33A

	Delta Water Charge	Water Supply Percentage	Water Supply	Present Value Factor	Present Value Dollars	CCWA and SLO Minimum Entitlements	Total Entitlements	CCWA and SLO Allocation	Total Delta Water Charge Costs
2006	\$ 1,436,963	0.86	\$1,235,788	2.05	\$2,530,010	70,486	4,172,786	1.69%	\$ 42,737
2007	3,276,500	0.86	2,817,790	1.96	5,516,177	70,486	4,172,786	1.69%	93,178
2008	2,918,340	0.86	2,509,772	1.87	4,698,024	70,486	4,172,786	1.69%	79,358
2009	2,894,558	0.86	2,489,320	1.79	4,455,670	70,486	4,172,786	1.69%	75,264
2010	3,021,906	0.86	2,598,839	1.71	4,447,982	70,486	4,172,786	1.69%	75,135
2011	2,610,169	0.86	2,244,745	1.64	3,673,686	70,486	4,172,786	1.69%	62,055
2012	2,559,649	0.86	2,201,298	1.56	3,444,810	70,486	4,172,786	1.69%	58,189
2013	2,608,346	0.86	2,243,178	1.50	3,356,614	70,486	4,172,786	1.69%	56,699
2014	2,552,767	0.86	2,195,380	1.43	3,141,223	70,486	4,172,786	1.69%	53,061
2015	3,090,259	0.86	2,657,623	1.37	3,636,083	70,486	4,172,786	1.69%	61,420
2016	2,829,255	0.86	2,433,159	1.31	3,183,189	70,486	4,172,786	1.69%	53,770
2017	2,856,529	0.86	2,456,615	1.25	3,073,125	70,486	4,172,786	1.69%	51,911
2018	2,406,648	0.86	2,069,717	1.20	2,475,743	70,486	4,172,786	1.69%	41,820
2019	2,989,428	0.86	2,570,908	1.14	2,940,576	70,486	4,172,786	1.69%	49,672
2020	2,593,857	0.86	2,230,717	1.09	2,439,730	70,486	4,172,786	1.69%	41,212
2021	1,295,298	0.86	1,113,956	1.05	1,164,975	70,486	4,172,786	1.69%	19,679
Total	\$41,940,472								\$ 915,160
2114FAD908 Allocation									\$ 962,451
Increase in costs to CCWA and SLO									\$ 47,291

Table CC.13: 2121FAD908 Allocation to Reach 33A

	2121FAD908	Reach 33A Allocation	EY Calculation	Per UCABS	Variance
2007	\$ 328,029	0.01372	\$ 4,500	\$ 4,500	\$ -
2008	715,647	0.01757	12,574	12,574	-
2009	535,425	0.01626	8,704	8,704	-
2010	952,577	0.02541	24,202	24,202	-
2011	843,209	0.02410	20,325	20,325	-
2012	937,335	0.02407	22,559	22,559	-
2013	871,351	0.02542	22,148	22,148	-
2014	995,501	0.00869	8,655	8,655	-
2015	1,157,067	0.01458	16,871	16,871	-
2016	1,403,279	0.02668	37,441	37,441	-
2017	960,293	0.03794	36,437	36,437	-
2018	1,080,299	0.03542	38,268	38,268	-
2019	1,671,678	0.02704	45,206	45,206	-
2020	1,603,618	0.02923	46,880	46,880	-
2021	808,214	0.03200	25,866	25,866	-
Total	\$ 14,863,522		\$ 370,636	\$ 370,636	\$ -

The following table represents the costs the Department plans to move; however, these costs were not moved within the 2023 SOC:

Table CC.14: FAD890 Costs Pending Reallocation

Original Cost Center	Costs	New Cost Center
1111FAD890	\$ 7,465,207	1121FAD908
2330FAD890	1,967,115	2343SAA903
2330FAD890	840,747	2345SAA903
2330FAD890	68,832	2344SAA903
2501FAD890	9,562,620	2501FAD908
1111FAD890	462,013	To Be Determined
2111FAD890	1,503,193	To Be Determined
2171FAD890	2,453,098	To Be Determined
2118FAD890 (Delta Water Charge)	297,923	To Be Determined
2121FAD890 (Delta Water Charge)	14,518,948	To Be Determined
2131FAD890 (Delta Water Charge)	20,925,754	To Be Determined
Total	\$ 60,065,450	

Finding AUD-000608	
Finding:	JVSWP2109049 in the amount of \$636,249 was double recorded when performing the reallocation between alpha cost center 2103FAD890 (Delta Water Charge) to cost center 2133300000 (Delta Water Charge).
Dollar Amount:	Overstatement of Costs to all Contractors: \$636,249 Overstatement of Costs to CCWA: \$6,936 Overstatement of Costs to SLO: \$3,812
Type:	Overstatement of Costs to CCWA and SLO
Risk of Future Occurrence:	High
Internal Control Matter:	Policy: Determination of Beneficiary
Contractors Affected:	All Contractors
Recommendation:	The Department should reverse the double recorded balance related to JVSWP2109049 in SAP.
Department Response:	The Department will assess the recording of JVSWP2109049 as part of the 2024 SOC.

When assessing the reallocation between alpha cost center 2103FAD890 (Delta Water Charge) to cost center 2133300000 (Delta Water Charge), we observed the Department double recorded the journal entry while moving these costs resulting in an overstatement of costs to CCWA and SLO. This resulted in an overstatement of costs to the contractors in the amount of \$636,249.

Table CC.15: Impact of AUD-000608

	Delta Water Charge	CCWA Minimum Entitlements	Total Entitlements	CCWA Allocation	Total Delta Water Charge Costs
2006	\$ 474,733	45,486	4,172,786	1.09%	\$ 5,175
2020	161,516	45,486	4,172,786	1.09%	1,761
Total	\$ 636,249				\$ 6,936

	Delta Water Charge	SLO Minimum Entitlements	Total Entitlements	SLO Allocation	Total Delta Water Charge Costs
2006	\$ 474,733	25,000	4,172,786	0.60%	\$ 2,844
2020	161,516	25,000	4,172,786	0.60%	968
Total	\$ 636,249				\$ 3,812

## Update of Prior Year Findings

This section contains an update of prior year findings as described in the 2018, 2019, 2020, and 2021 reports to CCWA and SLO. A summary of the findings resolved from the prior year report is summarized in the table below:

Table 1 – Rollforward of Update of Prior Year Findings

Prior Year Open Finding Count	Findings Resolved	Current Year Open Findings Count
12	2	10

Table 2 – Update of Prior Year Findings Dollar Impact

Control Number	CCWA Decrease in Costs	SLO Decrease in Costs
AUD-000379	Not Quantified	Not Quantified
AUD-000387, AUD-000449, AUD-000482, AUD-000530	(1,885,209)	–
AUD-000443	Not Quantified	Not Quantified
AUD-000481	Not Quantified*	Not Quantified*
AUD-000527	(5,581)	(288)
AUD-000528	(20,071)	(3,111)
AUD-000529	(38,853)	(6,528)
<b>Total</b>	<b>(1,949,714)</b>	<b>(9,927)</b>

\*The transportation minimum component for 2019 decreased by \$1,048,248 for CCWA and \$69,864 for SLO when comparing the 2021 SOC Attachment 4B to the 2022 SOC Attachment 4B. This change relates to the finding indicated.

Control Number	Finding Description	Resolved	Additional Comments/Updates
Finding AUD-000379	Claim numbers 1352119, 1348033, 1343291, 1343290, 1338376, and 1344922 include work related to extraordinary minimum costs but had costs incorrectly charged through annual facilities operations and maintenance minimum cost centers. Total dollar amount is \$156,225 and \$233,964 in direct labor charges for 2017 and 2016, respectively.	No	These claims continue to have costs incorrectly allocated.
Finding AUD-000387 Finding AUD-000449 Finding AUD-000482 Finding AUD-000530	CBX direct billed debt service charged to CCWA is overstated as the amount charged in the SOC was not subsequently adjusted to provide the benefits of the refinanced debt service for bond series Q and W. This results in an overstatement of costs of \$1,167,334 from 1998 to 2019 (amount does not reflect interest credits due to CCWA related to the overstatement).	No	The debt service amounts continue to be overcharged.



Control Number	Finding Description	Resolved	Additional Comments/Updates
Finding AUD-000443	Claim numbers 1361042, 1363709, 1359922, 1368419, and 1355267 include work related to extraordinary minimum costs but had costs incorrectly charged through annual facilities operations and maintenance minimum cost centers. Total dollar amount is \$526,774 in direct labor charges.	No	These claims continue to have costs incorrectly allocated.
Finding AUD-000479	Commercial Door Company Inc. invoices related to claim numbers 1382645, 1373177, 1378534, 1370626, and 1357872 include costs related to work performed at Lost Hills (CA-R10A), Buena Vista Pumping Plant (CA-R14A), Teerink Pumping Plant (CA-R15A), Chrisman Pumping Plant (CA-R16A), Edmonston Pumping Plant (CA-R17E), and Badger Hill Pumping Plant (CA-R31A), but had costs allocated to the San Joaquin Field Division through alpha cost center 2300FFN907.	Yes	These claims have now been adjusted.
Finding AUD-000480	Barc Industries and Development invoices related to claim numbers 1372191, 1381644, 1379684, 1374954, 1377297, 1373635, and 1379192 include costs related to work performed at Lost Hills (CA-R10A), Buena Vista Pumping Plant (CA-R14A), Teerink Pumping Plant (CA-R15A), Chrisman Pumping Plant (CA-R16A), Edmonston Pumping Plant (CA-R17E), Badger Hill Pumping Plant (CA-R31A), and Devil's Den Pumping Plant (CA-R33A), but had costs allocated to the San Joaquin Field Division through alpha cost center 2300FFN907.	Yes	These claims have now been adjusted.
Finding AUD-000481	The 2019 F-series and S-series alpha allocation cycle percentages were not subsequently updated from estimates to actuals for all months for the 2021 SOC. The months not receiving an adjustment to actuals were January, February, March, April, May, July, August, and October. This results in the 2019 F-series and S-series allocation percentages using the estimated allocation percentages to allocate costs to the Contractors.	No	We observed this was resolved for various alpha allocation cycles; however, the Dispute Resolution Group noted that this finding will be addressed as part of a cost allocation and billings system project.
Finding AUD-000527	Commercial Door Company Inc. invoices related to claim numbers 1341055, 1346694, 1356131, and 1357872 include costs related to work performed at the Buena Vista Pumping Plant (CA-R14A), Chrisman Pumping Plant (CA-R16A), Edmonston Pumping Plant (CA-R17E), and Badger Hill Pumping Plant (CA-R31A), but had costs allocated to the San Joaquin Field Division through alpha cost center 2300FFN907.	No	These claims continue to have costs incorrectly allocated.

Control Number	Finding Description	Resolved	Additional Comments/Updates
Finding AUD-000528	Barc Industries and Development invoices related to 66 claim numbers include costs related to work performed at Lost Hills (CA-R10A) and the Edmonston Pumping Plant (CA-R17E), but had costs allocated to the San Joaquin Field Division through alpha cost center 2300FFN907.	No	These claims continue to have costs incorrectly allocated.
Finding AUD-000529	Industrial Waste Utilization, Inc. invoices related to 45 claim numbers include costs related to work performed at the Buena Vista Pumping Plant (CA-R14A), Chrisman Pumping Plant (CA-R16A), Edmonston Pumping Plant (CA-R17E), Lost Hills (CA-R10A), and Teerink Pumping Plant (CA-R15A), but had costs allocated to the San Joaquin Field Division through alpha cost center 2300FFN907.	No	These claims continue to have costs incorrectly allocated.

## Appendix – Glossary

CA	California Aqueduct
CB	Coastal Branch
CBX	Coastal Branch Extension
CCWA	Central Coast Water Authority
DWR or Department	California Department of Water Resources
EY	Ernst & Young LLP
FC	Flood Control
IO	Internal Order
PR5	Financial Accounting System (an SAP module)
R	Reach
Report	Summary of 2022 Procedures, Findings, and Recommendations
SAP	Department’s Accounting Software
SLO	San Luis Obispo County Flood Control and Water Conservation District
SOC	Statement of Charges
SWRDS	State Water Resources Development System
UCABS	Utility Cost Allocation and Billing System (an SAP module)
WCD	Water Conservation District

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**CENTRAL COAST WATER AUTHORITY**

**MEMORANDUM**

July 27, 2023

**TO:** CCWA Board of Directors

**FROM:** Ray A. Stokes  
Executive Director *RAS*

**SUBJECT:** FY 2022/23 Fourth Quarter Investment Report

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**SUMMARY**

Attached is the fourth quarter FY 2022/23 investment report covering the three-month period of April to June 2023. In accordance with the CCWA Statement of Investment Policy, the quarterly report includes a statement of compliance of the portfolio with the investment policy and confirmation of the Authority's ability to meet expenditure requirements for the next six months.

**DISCUSSION**

As of June 30, 2023 the investment portfolio totaled \$72.8 million and had an effective rate of return of 3.38% on an average daily balance for the month of June 2023 of about \$73 million. The investments were comprised of the State of California Local Agency Investment Fund (LAIF), (\$66.2 million), Montecito Bank & Trust money market accounts (\$1.6 million) and Charles Schwab market funds of \$5 million.

All investments during the quarter complied with the CCWA investment policy provisions.

**CASH MANAGEMENT PRO FORMA PROJECTIONS**

Current pro forma projections indicate that the Authority will have sufficient cash with which to operate for the next six months.

**RECOMMENDATION**

That the Board of Directors approve the fourth quarter FY 2022/23 investment report.

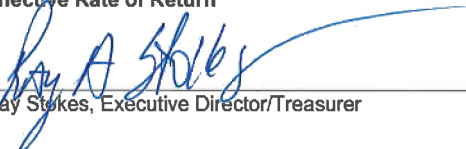
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**Investment Portfolio  
Portfolio Management  
Portfolio Summary  
June 30, 2023**

<b>Investments</b>	<b>Par Value</b>	<b>Market Value</b>	<b>Book Value</b>	<b>% of Portfolio</b>	<b>Term</b>	<b>Days to Maturity</b>	<b>YTM 360 Equiv.</b>	<b>YTM 365 Equiv.</b>
CCWA-LAIF	66,150,472.04	66,150,472.04	66,150,472.04	90.88	1	1	3.124	3.167
Pool-Money Market Accounts	1,634,475.04	1,634,475.04	1,634,475.04	2.25	1	1	1.756	1.780
Treasury Money Market fund account	5,006,031.14	5,006,031.14	5,006,031.14	6.88	1	1	4.912	4.980
<b>Investments</b>	<b>72,790,978.22</b>	<b>72,790,978.22</b>	<b>72,790,978.22</b>	<b>100.00%</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3.216</b>	<b>3.261</b>

<b>Total Earnings</b>	<b>June 30 Month Ending</b>	<b>Fiscal Year To Date</b>	<b>Fiscal Year Ending</b>
Current Year	202,382.61	1,148,749.21	1,148,749.21
<b>Average Daily Balance</b>	<b>72,885,560.24</b>		
<b>Effective Rate of Return</b>	<b>3.38%</b>		

  
Ray Stokes, Executive Director/Treasurer

July 19, 2023



**Investment Pool  
Total Return  
Sorted by Fund - Investment Number  
June 1, 2023 - June 30, 2023  
Yield on Time Weighted Value**

CUSIP	Investment #	Fund	Investment Class	Beginning Invested Value	Time Weighted Invested Value	Ending Invested Value	Maturity Date	Current Rate	Total Return	Investment Income		
										Interest Earned	Adjustment In Value	Net Investment Income
<b>Fund: General Account</b>												
SYS10.0000	10.0000	0000	Amortized	13,362,051.14	13,717,960.30	9,547,649.94		3.730	3.730	42,051.39	0.00	42,051.39
			<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>13,362,051.14</b>	<b>13,717,960.30</b>	<b>9,547,649.94</b>			<b>3.730</b>	<b>42,051.39</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>42,051.39</b>
<b>Fund: Credits Payable</b>												
SYS70.BUEL	70.BUEL	CREDIT	Amortized	2.85	2.88	3.61		4.269	4.231	0.01	0.00	0.01
SYS70.CARP	70.CARP	CREDIT	Amortized	3,033.27	3,033.29	3,033.93		3.730	3.730	9.30	0.00	9.30
SYS70.CHORRO	70.CHORRO	CREDIT	Amortized	-11,814.44	-11,814.37	-11,812.36		3.730	3.730	-36.22	0.00	-36.22
SYS70.GOLETA	70.GOLETA	CREDIT	Amortized	7,966.93	17.44	18.36		3.494	3.488	0.05	0.00	0.05
SYS70.GUAD	70.GUAD	CREDIT	Amortized	1.52	1.53	1.87		2.878		0.00	0.00	0.00
SYS70.LACUMB	70.LACUMB	CREDIT	Amortized	16.56	16.56	16.41		3.674	3.675	0.05	0.00	0.05
SYS70.LOPEZ	70.LOPEZ	CREDIT	Amortized	-4,244.48	-4,244.41	-4,242.26		3.729	3.729	-13.01	0.00	-13.01
SYS70.MONT	70.MONT	CREDIT	Amortized	5,417.85	5,417.89	5,418.92		3.730	3.730	16.61	0.00	16.61
SYS70.MORHRT	70.MORHRT	CREDIT	Amortized	3.06	3.06	3.03		3.976	3.977	0.01	0.00	0.01
SYS70.SBAR	70.SBAR	CREDIT	Amortized	12.61	12.61	12.50		3.859	3.860	0.04	0.00	0.04
SYS70.SBRC	70.SBRC	CREDIT	Amortized	0.75	0.75	0.74		2.867		0.00	0.00	0.00
SYS70.SHAN	70.SHAN	CREDIT	Amortized	38.56	38.56	38.63		3.786	3.786	0.12	0.00	0.12
SYS70.SLOC	70.SLOC	CREDIT	Amortized	-0.09	-0.09	-0.09		0.698		0.00	0.00	0.00
SYS70.SMARIA	70.SMARIA	CREDIT	Amortized	41,218.66	41,220.04	41,259.92		3.730	3.730	126.36	0.00	126.36
SYS70.SOCAL	70.SOCAL	CREDIT	Amortized	57.63	57.63	57.64		3.800	3.800	0.18	0.00	0.18
SYS70.SOLV	70.SOLV	CREDIT	Amortized	5.01	5.03	5.68		4.857	4.835	0.02	0.00	0.02
SYS70.SYNEZ	70.SYNEZ	CREDIT	Amortized	789.77	790.75	819.03		3.728	3.723	2.42	0.00	2.42
SYS70.VAFB	70.VAFB	CREDIT	Amortized	98,489.81	95,238.03	936.47		3.730	3.730	291.94	0.00	291.94
			<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>140,995.83</b>	<b>129,797.18</b>	<b>35,572.03</b>			<b>3.730</b>	<b>397.88</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>397.88</b>
<b>Fund: DWR &amp; Warren Act Deposits</b>												
SYS60.BUEL	60.BUEL	DWR	Amortized	658,225.92	660,830.32	634,354.82		3.730	3.730	2,025.73	0.00	2,025.73
SYS60.CARP	60.CARP	DWR	Amortized	2,420,810.97	2,425,133.52	2,352,884.08		3.730	3.730	7,434.07	0.00	7,434.07
SYS60.GOLETA	60.GOLETA	DWR	Amortized	772,749.28	5,909,502.88	5,715,499.99		3.730	3.730	18,115.15	0.00	18,115.15
SYS60.GUAD	60.GUAD	DWR	Amortized	567,215.37	563,771.35	524,061.47		3.730	3.730	1,728.20	0.00	1,728.20
SYS60.LACUMB	60.LACUMB	DWR	Amortized	1,237,784.14	1,239,345.45	1,211,429.89		3.730	3.730	3,799.12	0.00	3,799.12
SYS60.MONT	60.MONT	DWR	Amortized	3,608,140.15	3,602,995.72	3,529,747.51		3.730	3.730	11,044.72	0.00	11,044.72

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<b>Fund: DWR &amp; Warren Act Deposits</b>												
SYS60.MORHRT	60.MORHRT	DWR	Amortized	46,675.52	80,294.69	236,119.27		3.730	3.730	246.14	0.00	246.14
SYS60.SBAR	60.SBAR	DWR	Amortized	3,742,728.51	3,734,289.28	3,613,279.17		3.730	3.730	11,447.19	0.00	11,447.19
SYS60.SBRC	60.SBRC	DWR	Amortized	168,191.51	207,407.21	215,294.37		3.730	3.730	635.79	0.00	635.79
SYS60.SMARIA	60.SMARIA	DWR	Amortized	17,930,586.82	17,887,481.03	17,144,302.81		3.730	3.730	54,832.78	0.00	54,832.78
SYS60.SOCAL	60.SOCAL	DWR	Amortized	572,779.15	576,377.90	553,883.93		3.730	3.730	1,766.84	0.00	1,766.84
SYS60.SOLV	60.SOLV	DWR	Amortized	1,728,615.47	1,732,585.86	1,705,169.17		3.730	3.730	5,311.12	0.00	5,311.12
SYS60.SYNEZ	60.SYNEZ	DWR	Amortized	485,057.76	490,059.01	493,317.78		3.730	3.730	1,502.24	0.00	1,502.24
SYS60.VAFB	60.VAFB	DWR	Amortized	1,986,559.73	2,153,306.25	7,352,199.88		3.730	3.730	6,600.78	0.00	6,600.78
<b>Subtotal</b>				<b>35,926,120.30</b>	<b>41,263,380.47</b>	<b>45,281,544.14</b>			<b>3.730</b>	<b>126,489.87</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>126,489.87</b>
<b>Fund: Escrow Deposits</b>												
SYS65.MORHRT	65.MORHRT	ESCROW	Amortized	412,055.67	411,399.51	408,184.04		3.730	3.730	1,261.11	0.00	1,261.11
SYS65.SBRC	65.SBRC	ESCROW	Amortized	109,948.49	109,175.37	109,002.92		3.730	3.730	334.67	0.00	334.67
<b>Subtotal</b>				<b>522,004.16</b>	<b>520,574.88</b>	<b>517,186.96</b>			<b>3.730</b>	<b>1,595.78</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>1,595.78</b>
<b>Fund: DWR Reserve Fund</b>												
SYS45.AVBCH	45.AVBCH	NARES	Amortized	0.00	0.00	0.00		3.364		0.00	0.00	0.00
SYS45.AVLWTR	45.AVLWTR	NARES	Amortized	0.00	0.00	0.00		3.576		0.00	0.00	0.00
SYS45.BUEL	45.BUEL	NARES	Amortized	148,607.45	148,608.43	148,636.92		3.730	3.730	455.55	0.00	455.55
SYS45.CAMC	45.CAMC	NARES	Amortized	0.00	0.00	0.00		3.349		0.00	0.00	0.00
SYS45.CARP	45.CARP	NARES	Amortized	0.00	0.00	0.00		3.359		0.00	0.00	0.00
SYS45.CUESTA	45.CUESTA	NARES	Amortized	0.00	0.00	0.00		3.300		0.00	0.00	0.00
SYS45.GOLETA	45.GOLETA	NARES	Amortized	0.00	0.00	0.00		3.359		0.00	0.00	0.00
SYS45.GUAD	45.GUAD	NARES	Amortized	141,407.21	141,408.14	141,435.25		3.730	3.730	433.48	0.00	433.48
SYS45.LACUMB	45.LACUMB	NARES	Amortized	189,055.49	189,056.75	189,093.14		3.730	3.730	579.54	0.00	579.54
SYS45.MONT	45.MONT	NARES	Amortized	0.00	0.00	0.00		3.359		0.00	0.00	0.00
SYS45.MORBAY	45.MORBAY	NARES	Amortized	0.00	0.00	0.00		3.359		0.00	0.00	0.00
SYS45.MORHRT	45.MORHRT	NARES	Amortized	50,071.46	50,071.79	50,081.42		3.730	3.730	153.49	0.00	153.49
SYS45.OCEANO	45.OCEANO	NARES	Amortized	0.00	0.00	0.00		3.352		0.00	0.00	0.00
SYS45.PISMO	45.PISMO	NARES	Amortized	0.00	0.00	0.00		3.365		0.00	0.00	0.00
SYS45.SBAR	45.SBAR	NARES	Amortized	474,853.38	474,856.52	474,947.67		3.730	3.730	1,455.63	0.00	1,455.63
SYS45.SBRC	45.SBRC	NARES	Amortized	12,362.41	12,362.49	12,364.87		3.730	3.730	37.90	0.00	37.90
SYS45.SHAN	45.SHAN	NARES	Amortized	0.00	0.00	0.00		3.305		0.00	0.00	0.00
SYS45.SLOC	45.SLOC	NARES	Amortized	0.00	0.00	0.00		3.347		0.00	0.00	0.00
SYS45.SLSCHL	45.SLSCHL	NARES	Amortized	0.00	0.00	0.00		2.931		0.00	0.00	0.00
SYS45.SMARIA	45.SMARIA	NARES	Amortized	4,218,658.34	4,218,686.23	4,219,494.98		3.730	3.730	12,932.03	0.00	12,932.03



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<b>Fund: DWR Reserve Fund</b>												
SYS45.SMGLTO	45.SMGLTO	NARES	Amortized	0.00	0.00	0.00		3.322		0.00	0.00	0.00
SYS45.SOCAL	45.SOCAL	NARES	Amortized	101,984.36	101,985.03	102,004.59		3.730	3.730	312.63	0.00	312.63
SYS45.SOLV	45.SOLV	NARES	Amortized	385,611.85	385,614.40	385,688.33		3.730	3.730	1,182.07	0.00	1,182.07
SYS45.SYNEZ	45.SYNEZ	NARES	Amortized	181,626.37	181,627.57	181,662.39		3.730	3.730	556.76	0.00	556.76
SYS45.VAFB	45.VAFB	NARES	Amortized	0.00	0.00	0.00		3.359		0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Subtotal</b>				<b>5,904,238.32</b>	<b>5,904,277.35</b>	<b>5,905,409.56</b>			<b>3.730</b>	<b>18,099.08</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>18,099.08</b>
<b>Fund: O&amp;M Reserve Fund</b>												
35.BUEL	35.BUEL	O&M	Amortized	29,584.91	29,585.11	29,590.82		3.730	3.730	90.69	0.00	90.69
35.CARP	35.CARP	O&M	Amortized	102,369.95	102,370.63	102,390.45		3.730	3.730	313.81	0.00	313.81
35.GOLETA	35.GOLETA	O&M	Amortized	234,462.64	230,333.98	230,378.61		3.730	3.730	706.07	0.00	706.07
35.GUAD	35.GUAD	O&M	Amortized	28,151.74	28,151.93	28,157.38		3.730	3.730	86.30	0.00	86.30
35.LACUMB	35.LACUMB	O&M	Amortized	51,526.55	51,526.89	51,536.77		3.730	3.730	157.95	0.00	157.95
35.MONT	35.MONT	O&M	Amortized	154,025.71	154,026.74	154,056.52		3.730	3.730	472.16	0.00	472.16
35.MORHRT	35.MORHRT	O&M	Amortized	10,302.32	10,291.50	10,239.03		3.730	3.730	31.55	0.00	31.55
35.SBAR	35.SBAR	O&M	Amortized	154,597.30	154,598.32	154,627.96		3.730	3.730	473.91	0.00	473.91
35.SBRC	35.SBRC	O&M	Amortized	2,576.60	2,562.79	2,559.82		3.732	3.731	7.86	0.00	7.86
35.SMARIA	35.SMARIA	O&M	Amortized	829,196.76	829,202.30	829,362.92		3.730	3.730	2,541.85	0.00	2,541.85
35.SOCAL	35.SOCAL	O&M	Amortized	25,766.21	25,766.38	25,771.32		3.729	3.729	78.98	0.00	78.98
35.SOLV	35.SOLV	O&M	Amortized	76,777.47	76,777.98	76,792.84		3.730	3.730	235.36	0.00	235.36
35.SYNEZ	35.SYNEZ	O&M	Amortized	25,592.49	25,592.66	25,597.61		3.730	3.729	78.45	0.00	78.45
35.VAFB	35.VAFB	O&M	Amortized	286,800.90	286,626.68	281,574.29		3.730	3.730	878.63	0.00	878.63
<b>Subtotal</b>				<b>2,011,731.55</b>	<b>2,007,413.89</b>	<b>2,002,636.34</b>			<b>3.730</b>	<b>6,153.57</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>6,153.57</b>
<b>Fund: Rate Coverage Reserve Fund</b>												
40.BUEL	40.BUEL	RATE	Amortized	274,889.89	274,891.72	274,944.84		3.730	3.730	842.66	0.00	842.66
40.CARP	40.CARP	RATE	Amortized	859,879.43	859,885.17	860,051.61		3.730	3.730	2,635.91	0.00	2,635.91
40.GUAD	40.GUAD	RATE	Amortized	191,033.12	191,034.40	191,071.40		3.730	3.730	585.60	0.00	585.60
40.LACUMB	40.LACUMB	RATE	Amortized	403,113.29	403,115.95	403,193.23		3.730	3.730	1,235.72	0.00	1,235.72
40.MONT	40.MONT	RATE	Amortized	1,494,120.63	1,494,130.61	1,494,420.03		3.730	3.730	4,580.13	0.00	4,580.13
40.OCEANO	40.OCEANO	RATE	Amortized	-0.02	-0.02	-0.02		0.631		0.00	0.00	0.00
40.SHAN	40.SHAN	RATE	Amortized	15,710.72	15,710.82	15,713.86		3.730	3.730	48.16	0.00	48.16
40.SMARIA	40.SMARIA	RATE	Amortized	5,167,174.56	5,168,209.07	5,168,209.99		3.730	3.730	15,839.65	0.00	15,839.65
40.SOLV	40.SOLV	RATE	Amortized	632,166.55	632,170.77	632,293.11		3.730	3.730	1,937.87	0.00	1,937.87
40.SYNEZ	40.SYNEZ	RATE	Amortized	460,990.05	460,993.13	461,082.34		3.730	3.730	1,413.14	0.00	1,413.14
<b>Subtotal</b>				<b>9,499,078.22</b>	<b>9,499,141.62</b>	<b>9,500,980.39</b>			<b>3.730</b>	<b>29,118.84</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>29,118.84</b>

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**Investment Pool  
Total Return  
Sorted by Fund - Investment Number**

CUSIP	Investment #	Fund	Investment Class	Beginning Invested Value	Time Weighted Invested Value	Ending Invested Value	Maturity Date	Current Rate	Total Return	Investment Income		
										Interest Earned	Adjustment in Value	Net Investment Income
			<b>Total</b>	<b>67,366,219.52</b>	<b>73,042,545.69</b>	<b>72,790,979.36</b>			<b>3.730</b>	<b>223,906.41</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>223,906.41</b>
							Components of Return:	Interest:	3.730			
								Amortization:				
								Market Value:				

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## Memorandum

**DATE:** July 20, 2023

**TO:** CCWA Board of Directors

**FROM:** Stephanie Hastings, Elizabeth Esposito

**RE:** 2023 Update to the Local Guidelines for Implementing the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA)

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### SUMMARY

Under CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines, CCWA is required to adopt objectives, criteria and procedures for the evaluation of projects and the preparation of environmental documents. On January 22, 2015, through Resolution No. 15-01, CCWA adopted the State CEQA Guidelines as its local procedures and adopted specific local guidelines (“**Local CEQA Guidelines**”) to tailor the general provisions of the State CEQA Guidelines to CCWA’s specific operations.

Staff has proposed amendments to CCWA’s Local CEQA Guidelines to clarify certain provisions and to reflect changes in the law since January 22, 2015.

### RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the Board of Directors:

1. Adopt Resolution No. 23-07: A Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Central Coast Water Authority Repealing Resolution No. 15-01 and Adopting the Amended Local Guidelines for Implementing the California Environmental Quality Act (Public Resources Code §§ 21000, et seq.); and
2. Determine that the Board’s adoption of Resolution No. 23-07 is exempt from CEQA for the reasons set forth in this Staff Report and the Resolution.

## DISCUSSION

CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines require local agencies to adopt objectives, criteria and procedures for the evaluation of projects and the preparation of environmental documents.<sup>1</sup> Section 15022(d) of the State CEQA Guidelines authorizes local agencies to adopt the State CEQA Guidelines along with specific procedures necessary to tailor the general provisions of the State CEQA Guidelines to their specific operations.

On January 22, 2015, through Resolution No. 15-01, CCWA adopted the State CEQA Guidelines as its local procedures, and adopted Local CEQA Guidelines identifying CCWA activities that are exempt from CEQA, authorizing the Executive Director to administer the Local CEQA Guidelines and to prepare certain environmental documents and to make certain determinations under CEQA, and adopted procedures for preparation of initial studies, adoption of negative declarations, and providing notices of completion and availability for draft environmental impact reports. Since 2015, the State CEQA Guidelines have been updated and there have been developments in the CEQA case law.

Therefore, Staff has proposed amendments to CCWA's Local CEQA Guidelines to clarify certain provisions and to reflect changes in the law since January 2015. Specifically, the following changes are included in the proposed amendments:

- Clarify the duties of the Board and the Executive Director when evaluating “projects” as defined under CEQA (Section 4)
- Specify when a negative declaration, addendum, or supplemental or subsequent EIR is required (Sections 7-8)
- Detail Authority procedures giving notice of intent to adopt a proposed negative declaration, mitigated negative declaration, or EIR consistent with state law requirements (Section 9 and 11)
- Add procedures for final EIR preparation, certification, and approval (Sections 12-16)
- Clarify that the Board holds authority to adopt final negative declarations and final mitigated negative declarations prior to approving a project that would not have a significant impact on the environment and delete the appeals procedure for Executive Director approvals of negative declarations or mitigated negative declarations. (Section 10 and 12)

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<sup>1</sup> Pub. Res. Code § 21082; State CEQA Guidelines § 15022(a).

- Minor clerical updates, such as cleaning up language throughout the Local CEQA Guidelines for grammatical consistency (e.g., replace “environmental impact report” with “EIR”)

## **ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW**

The Board’s adoption of the proposed amendments to CCWA’s Local CEQA Guidelines is exempt from CEQA for the following reasons:

- Adoption of CEQA Guidelines is a mandatory duty under CEQA. (Pub. Res. Code § 21082; State CEQA Guidelines § 15022(a).) Pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15022(a), each public agency is required to adopt objectives, criteria, and specific procedures consistent with CEQA.
- Adoption of the CEQA Guidelines is not a project under State CEQA Guidelines §15378 because it involves general policy and procedure making and is an administrative activity that will not result in any direct or indirect physical changes to the environment or environmental impacts. Section 15022(d) of the State CEQA Guidelines authorizes CCWA to adopt the State CEQA Guidelines along with specific procedures necessary to tailor the general provisions of the State CEQA Guidelines to its specific operations. Amending CCWA’s Local CEQA Guidelines is an administrative activity because it is required under State CEQA Guidelines section 15022(a) and authorized under section 15022(d).
- Adoption of the CEQA Guidelines will not result in a direct or reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment, including because these amendments pertain only to general policy for the implementation of CEQA and because the Local CEQA Guidelines incorporate the State CEQA Guidelines by reference and require environmental review for each future project.

Further, even if this activity were found to be a project under State CEQA Guidelines section 15378, CCWA’s approval and adoption of the attached Resolution would be exempt under the statutory exemptions in State CEQA Guidelines sections 15268 (ministerial exemption) and 15061(b)(3) (common sense exemption) for the reasons identified above.

### **Attachments:**

- A. Resolution No. 23-07: A Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Central Coast Water Authority Repealing Resolution No. 15-01 and Adopting the Amended Local Guidelines for Implementing the California Environmental Quality Act (Public Resources Code §§ 21000, et seq.)
- B. Comparison of 2015 Local CEQA Guidelines and Proposed Amended Local CEQA Guidelines

**RESOLUTION NO. 23-07**

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF  
THE CENTRAL COAST WATER AUTHORITY REPEALING  
RESOLUTION NO. 15-01 AND ADOPTING THE AMENDED LOCAL GUIDELINES  
FOR IMPLEMENTING THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT  
(PUBLIC RESOURCES CODE §§ 21000, ET SEQ.)**

**WHEREAS**, the Central Coast Water Authority (Authority) is a joint powers agency duly organized and existing pursuant to the Joint Exercise of Powers Act, California Government Code section 6500, et seq.; and

**WHEREAS**, the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) (Public Resources Code §§ 21000, et seq.) and the State CEQA Guidelines (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, §§ 15000, et seq.) require the Authority to adopt objectives, criteria and procedures for the evaluation of projects and the preparation of environmental documents (Public Resources Code § 21082; State CEQA Guidelines § 15022(a)); and

**WHEREAS**, State CEQA Guidelines section 15022(d) authorizes the Authority to adopt the State CEQA Guidelines along with specific procedures necessary to tailor the general provisions of the State CEQA Guidelines to its specific operations; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Resolution No. 15-01, on January 22, 2015, the Authority adopted the State CEQA Guidelines as its local procedures, and adopted specific local guidelines (“Local CEQA Guidelines”); and

**WHEREAS**, the Authority desires to amend the Local CEQA Guidelines to clarify certain provisions and to reflect changes in the law since January 22, 2015.

**NOW THEREFORE, THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS DOES HEREBY RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:**

**Section 1.** Recitals. The Recitals set forth above are true and correct and are incorporated into this Resolution by this reference.

**Section 2.** Repeal Resolution No. 15-01. The Board repeals Resolution No. 15-01.

**Section 3.** Adoption of Amended Local CEQA Guidelines. The Board adopts the amended “Local Guidelines for Implementing the California Environmental Quality Act,” a copy of which is attached hereto as **Exhibit A**, on file at the offices of the Authority, posted to the Authority’s internet website, and is available for inspection by the public.

**Section 4. Compliance with CEQA.** The Board finds that its adoption of the amended Local Guidelines for Implementing the California Environmental Quality Act is exempt from CEQA because it is not a project under State CEQA Guidelines section 15378 where it involves general policy and procedure making, is an administrative activity that is mandated by CEQA and will not result in any direct or indirect physical changes to the environment or environmental impacts, and CEQA compliance is required for each future project.

**Section 5. Effective Date.** This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

I certify that the foregoing resolution was duly and regularly introduced and adopted by the Board of Directors of the Central Coast Water Authority at a special meeting held on July 27, 2023.

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Eric Friedman, Chairman

APPROVED AS TO FORM:  
Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck LLP

Attest:

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Elizabeth Watkins  
Secretary to the Board of Directors

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Stephanie Osler Hastings

	VOTING PERCENTAGE	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
City of Buellton	2.21%	_____	_____	_____	_____
Carpinteria Valley Water District	7.64%	_____	_____	_____	_____
Goleta Water District	17.20%	_____	_____	_____	_____
City of Guadalupe	1.15%	_____	_____	_____	_____
Montecito Water District	9.50%	_____	_____	_____	_____
City of Santa Barbara	11.47%	_____	_____	_____	_____
City of Santa Maria	43.19%	_____	_____	_____	_____
Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District, Improvement District No. 1	7.64%	_____	_____	_____	_____

**Exhibit A:** 2023 Central Coast Water Authority CEQA Guidelines



# CENTRAL COAST WATER AUTHORITY

## LOCAL GUIDELINES FOR IMPLEMENTING THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT Adopted July 27, 2023

### 1. GENERAL PROVISIONS

These Local Guidelines (“Local Guidelines”) are intended to assist the Central Coast Water Authority (“Authority”) in implementing the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act, Public Resources Code § 21000, et seq. (“CEQA”). These Local Guidelines are consistent with the Guidelines for the Implementation of CEQA, Cal. Code Regs, tit. 14, §§ 15000 et seq. (“State CEQA Guidelines”) adopted by the Natural Resources Agency. These Local Guidelines have been adopted pursuant to Public Resources Code section 21082 and State CEQA Guidelines section 15022.

### 2. STATE CEQA GUIDELINES ADOPTED BY REFERENCE

(a) The State CEQA Guidelines, including all sections and appendices, as amended from time to time, are adopted by reference as the environmental review regulations of the Authority.

(b) The provisions of these Local Guidelines shall be construed as consistent with CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines, including all definitions thereof. If a provision, by its terms, cannot be construed as consistent with CEQA or the State CEQA Guidelines, the provisions of CEQA or the State CEQA Guidelines shall prevail to the extent of the inconsistency.

### 3. APPLICABILITY

These Guidelines apply to any activity of the Authority which constitutes a “project” subject to CEQA (Public Resources Code section 21065), State CEQA Guidelines section 15060(c)), and/or to any activity for which the Authority is a responsible agency.

### 4. DUTIES OF BOARD AND EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

(a) The Board of Directors (“Board”) shall:

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and these Local Guidelines, certify that it reviewed and considered the information contained in the final EIR, and certify that the final EIR reflects the Authority's independent judgment and analysis.

(iv) Make or adopt findings as required by CEQA and section 15091 of the State CEQA Guidelines.

(v) Make or adopt statements of overriding considerations as required by CEQA and section 15093 of the State CEQA Guidelines.

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(vii) For any project subject to the Board's decision-making authority, determine whether a previously certified or adopted EIR, negative declaration or mitigated negative declaration is sufficient to cover changes or modifications to a project or whether additional environmental review is required.

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(ix) Be responsible, at its discretion, for establishing additional thresholds of significance to help determine when a proposed project or activity may have a significant effect on the environment.

(x) Approve agreements with public agencies determining the lead agency for a project.

(xi) Exercise any power of the Authority necessary to implement CEQA or these Local Guidelines that is not otherwise delegated to the Executive Director.

(b) The following responsibilities are delegated to the Executive Director:

(i) Administer these Local Guidelines and perform such administrative, technical and other work necessary for compliance with CEQA and these Local Guidelines, including preparation and adoption of forms, checklists and other standard documents consistent with these Local Guidelines.

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(vi) Consult with Responsible and Trustee agencies.

(vii) Prepare final environmental documents, including preparation of proposed findings.

(viii) Prepare and file notices as appropriate or as required.

(ix) Schedule and notice public hearings when required by CEQA or these Local Guidelines, or as otherwise deemed appropriate by the Executive Director or directed by the Board.

(x) Prepare addenda to previously certified EIRs, or adopted negative declarations or mitigated negative declarations, which make minor technical changes or additions to projects and where none of the conditions described in section 15162 of the State CEQA Guidelines has occurred.

(xi) For any project for which decision-making authority is specifically delegated to the Executive Director by resolution of the Board, determine whether a previously certified or adopted EIR, negative declaration or mitigated negative declaration is sufficient to cover changes or modifications to a project or whether additional environmental review is required.

(xii) For any action subject to the Executive Director's decision-making authority for which an addendum is prepared, consider the addendum with the final EIR or adopted negative declaration prior to making a decision on the project.

(xiii) Recommend to the Board additions to the list of Authority projects and activities that are exempt from review pursuant to Sections 5 and 6 of these Local Guidelines or over which the Authority exercises only ministerial authority.

(xiv) Execute agreements with public agencies determining the lead agency for a project.

(xv) Coordinate with lead agencies where the Authority will be a responsible agency.

(xvi) Promulgate supplemental policies for administration of these Local Guidelines.

(c) The Executive Director may delegate responsibility under these Local Guidelines.

(d) In furtherance of these Local Guidelines, the Authority, may contract with qualified persons or entities for the conduct of investigations, studies, tests, evaluations or other

technical or scientific work and for the preparation and processing of documents, including, without limitation, initial studies, negative declarations, mitigated negative declarations and EIRs.

## **5. STATUTORY EXEMPTIONS**

5.1 The following specific Authority activities are considered statutorily exempt from CEQA. Nothing in this section precludes a determination, on a case-by-case basis, that other Authority activities are statutorily exempt from CEQA or these Local Guidelines and nothing in this section is intended to limit application of any statutory exemption established under State CEQA Guidelines section 15260, et seq.

(a) Ministerial Projects (State CEQA Guidelines section 15268).

(i) Delivering water to member agencies from existing Authority supplies.

(b) Emergency Projects (State CEQA Guidelines section 15269).

(i) Projects to repair or correct a condition of an existing facility, which condition is discovered during the annual or periodic shutdown pursuant to the Authority's pipeline inspection and aqueduct protection program, and the repair or correction of which is necessary to maintain system reliability or to prevent or mitigate a foreseeable risk of damage if prompt remedial action is not taken.

(ii) Projects to repair, restore, demolish, or replace property or facilities damaged or destroyed as the result of an emergency, or projects to repair, restore or replace facilities the damage to or destruction of which results in an emergency.

(c) Pipelines (State CEQA Guidelines section 15284 and Public Resources Code section 21080.21).

(i) The installation of a new pipeline or the maintenance, repair, restoration, reconditioning, relocation, replacement, removal or demolition of an existing subsurface pipeline where the project is less than one mile in length and located within a public street, highway or any other public right-of-way. "Pipeline" means subsurface pipelines and subsurface or surface accessories or appurtenances to a pipeline, such as mains, traps, vents, cables, conduits, vaults, valves, flanges, manholes, and meters.

(d) Rates, Tolls, Fares and Charges and Budget (State CEQA Guidelines sections 15060, subdivision (c), 15273).

(i) Water rates, tax rates and other charges for the purpose of meeting operating expenses, including employee compensation and benefits, purchasing or leasing supplies, equipment, or materials; meeting financial reserve needs and requirements, or obtaining funds for capital projects necessary to maintain service within existing service areas. Written findings setting forth with specificity the basis for the claim of this exemption shall be incorporated in the record of the project.

(e) Water (State CEQA Guidelines sections 15282, subdivisions (u) and (v).)

(i) Temporary changes in the point of diversion, place of use, of purpose of use due to a transfer or exchange of water or water rights as set forth in section 1729 of the Water Code.

(ii) The preparation and adoption of Urban Water Management Plans pursuant to the provisions of section 10652 of the Water Code.

## **6. CATEGORICAL EXEMPTIONS**

6.1 Specific Authority activities falling within the classes of categorical exemptions described in the State CEQA Guidelines are listed below under the applicable exemption categories. Nothing in this section shall be construed to prevent application of a categorical exemption to an Authority activity that is not listed and nothing in this section is intended to limit application of any categorical exemption established under State CEQA Guidelines section 15300, et seq.

(a) Class 1: Existing Facilities (State CEQA Guidelines section 15301)

(i) Operation, repair and maintenance of the existing pipelines, pumps, tanks, reservoirs, vents, valves, vaults, rights of way and appurtenant facilities comprising the Authority's aqueduct system involving negligible or no expansion of use. This includes grading, mowing and regrading for maintenance of an existing right of way.

(ii) Draining pipelines or other structures at existing vent or drain locations for purposes of inspection, repair or maintenance, provided the drainage is regulated in a manner reasonably calculated to avoid damage to adjoining property and discharge into a water course complies with the Clean Water Act or other applicable law governing water quality.

(iii) Installation of security devices, including without limitation, fences or gates, and implementation of programs for the security of the Authority's facilities and water supplies.

(iv) Issuance of water vouchers and rebates for conservation devices.

(v) Purchase and installation of valves, meters, etc. to modernize or improve existing facilities.

(vi) Issuance of encroachment permits or joint use agreements for activity that qualifies as minor modifications of an existing facility.

(b) Class 2: Replacement or Reconstruction (State CEQA Guidelines section 15302)

(i) Replacement or reconstruction of existing pipelines, pumps, tanks, reservoirs, vents, valves, vaults and other structures comprising the Authority's aqueduct system

where the new structure will be located on the same site and have substantially the same purpose and capacity as the former structure.

(c) Class 3: Construction, installation or conversion of small structures, equipment or facilities (State CEQA Guidelines section 15303)

(i) The addition of appurtenant structures and equipment to existing facilities including garages, sheds, fences, and gates, valve vaults, flow control facilities less than 500 square feet, and pipeline segments less than 150 linear feet to connect such structures to an existing aqueduct.

(ii) Issuance of encroachment permits or joint use agreements for activity that qualifies as construction, installation or conversion of small structures, equipment or facilities.

(d) Class 4: Minor alterations to land. (State CEQA Guidelines section 15304)

(i) Minor grading to establish access roads over land with a slope of less than 10 percent, except in waterways, wetlands or designated scenic or geologic hazard areas.

(ii) Issuance of encroachment permits or joint use agreements for activity that qualifies as minor alteration to land.

(iii) Destruction of wells – Filling of existing wells including piezometers outside of sensitive habitats.

(iv) Minor utility trenching – Trenches, outside of sensitive habitats, dug to install, maintain or repair small provided that the surface is restored.

(v) Temporary use of land for discharge of potable or raw water from pipelines and facilities provided erosion is controlled and the discharge into a watercourse complies with the Clean Water Act or other applicable laws governing water quality.

(vi) New gardening or landscaping, including the replacement of existing conventional landscaping with water efficient landscaping.

(vii) Geologic sampling, boring, surveying and other similar exploratory or testing activities for purposes of feasibility, planning or design studies where the property is restored to its preexisting condition as near as reasonably feasible under the circumstances.

(e) Class 5: Minor alterations in land use limitations (State CEQA Guidelines section 15305)

(i) Issuance of minor encroachment permits for structures or activities that do not require a building, grading or similar construction permit under applicable ordinances of a city or county.

(f) Class 6: Information Collection (State CEQA Guidelines section 15306)

- (i) Leak detection, turf and agricultural audits.
  - (ii) Resource data collection that does not result in a serious or major disturbance to an environmental resource, including geotechnical investigations, biological sampling, and cultural resource testing and recovery.
  - (iii) Installation of monitoring wells – The construction of wells or piezometers to monitor ground water conditions outside of sensitive habitats.
  - (iv) Planning assessments – Examples of this category include wetland delineations, determining the presence of species, plant collection for restoration projects, water quality testing of surface waters, and archeological studies.
  - (v) Land Surveying – activities associated with establishing boundaries with minor vegetation trimming.
- (g) Class 9: Inspections (State CEQA Guidelines section 15309)
- (i) Inspections to check performance and operation of pipelines and appurtenant facilities and structures, as well as inspections to check on quality, health or safety of a project.
- (h) Class 12: Sale of surplus property (State CEQA Guidelines section 15312)
- (i) The sale of surplus Authority property subject to limitations in section 15312 of State CEQA Guidelines.
- (i) Class 13: Acquisition of lands for wildlife conservation purposes (State CEQA Guidelines section 15313)
- (i) Acquisition of habitat mitigation lands.
- (j) Class 25: Transfer of ownership of interests in land in order to preserve open space (State CEQA Guidelines section 15325)
- (i) Acquisition of areas to preserve the existing and natural conditions or to allow restoration of natural conditions.
  - (ii) Transfer of land title to a local, state or federal agency, or approved land conservation organization for management purposes, including transfers of mitigation credits in mitigation land bank programs of the Authority.
- (k) Class 28: Small hydroelectric generating facilities at existing facilities where the capacity of the generating facilities is 5 megawatts or less (State CEQA Guidelines section 15328)

(i) Installation of hydroelectric generating facilities of 5 megawatts or less in connection with existing pipelines, subject to the limitations in State CEQA Guidelines section 15328.

6.2 The exemptions listed in Section 6.1 may not apply to particular projects if there exists one or more of the circumstances listed in section 15300.2 of the State CEQA Guidelines.

## **7. EXEMPTION REVIEW AND DETERMINATION**

(a) For any project subject to the Board's or Executive Director's decision-making authority, the Board or Executive Director, respectively, shall determine whether the project is ministerial, categorically exempt, an emergency project, otherwise statutorily exempt, or does not fall within the definition of a project under CEQA.

(b) Such projects described in subdivision (a), are exempt from the requirements of CEQA and require no further consideration of environmental impact.

(c) If a project is determined to be exempt, a Notice of Exemption containing the information in State CEQA Guidelines Appendix E may be filed by the Executive Director after the project has been approved.

(c) Any Notices of Exemption are to be filed for a minimum 30-day period with the county clerk of each county in which the project will be located and also with the Office of Planning and Research ("OPR"), if the project involves an approval by a State agency.

## **8. INITIAL STUDY**

(a) The Executive Director shall prepare an initial study for all Authority projects except those: (i) determined to be exempt following a preliminary review, (ii) covered by a previously certified or adopted EIR, negative declaration, mitigated negative declaration, or addendum, or (iii) for which the Executive Director has determined to prepare an EIR without the need for an initial study.

(b) Based on the initial study, the Authority may:

(i) Determine that the project is exempt from further review.

(ii) Determine that the project has been reviewed by a previously approved or certified negative declaration, mitigated negative declaration or EIR and that there are no material changes to the project that warrant further environmental review.

(iii) Prepare a proposed negative declaration if the project will have no significant effect on the environment (considering both primary and secondary effects) as determined by the initial study.

(iv) Prepare a proposed mitigated negative declaration if the potentially significant effects identified in the initial study are mitigated to insignificant levels by revisions in the project plans.



(v) Prepare a draft EIR if there is substantial evidence that the project may have a significant effect on the physical environment.

(vi) Prepare an addendum to a previously approved or certified negative declaration, mitigated negative declaration or EIR where the changes or additions are those described in State CEQA Guidelines section 15164.

(vii) Prepare a subsequent or supplemental EIR if the conditions under Public Resources Code section 21166 and State CEQA Guidelines section 15162–15163 are present.

**9. NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A PROPOSED NEGATIVE DECLARATION OR MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION**

(a) At the time it gives notice of intent to adopt a proposed negative declaration or mitigated negative declaration, the Authority shall make a copy of the notice of intent available in electronic format through the Authority’s website on the internet.

(b) The Authority shall give notice of intent to adopt a proposed negative declaration or mitigated negative declaration by:

(i) Mailing to organizations and individuals who have previously requested such notice in writing.

(ii) Publication at least one time in a newspaper of general circulation in the community where the project is located.

(iii) Mailing by first class mail, postage prepaid, to the owners and occupants of property within 600 feet of the proposed project. Owners shall be determined using the latest equalized assessment roll or other method the Executive Director determines appropriate. The Executive Director may provide additional mailed notice whenever the Executive Director determines that additional notice is appropriate under the circumstances.

(iv) Posting for a period of at least 20 days in the office of the county clerk of each county in which the project will be located. When a proposed negative declaration or mitigated negative declaration and initial study are submitted to the State Clearinghouse for review by state agencies, the posting period will be at least 30 days, unless a shorter period is approved by the State Clearinghouse under State CEQA Guidelines section 15105(d).

(c) Notice of a public hearing, if any, may be included in the notice of intent to adopt a proposed negative declaration or mitigated negative declaration. If a notice of a public hearing is not included in the notice of intent to adopt, then notice of any public hearing shall be given at least 10 days before the hearing in the same manner as specified in subdivision (b).

(d) Published notice shall be complete on the date of publication. Mailed notice shall be complete on the date of mailing.

## **10. ADOPTION OF NEGATIVE DECLARATION OR MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION**

(a) The Board may adopt the proposed negative declaration or mitigated negative declaration as presented, conditionally adopt the proposed negative declaration including additional or substitute mitigation measures, order substantial revision and recirculation of the proposed negative declaration or mitigated negative declaration, or order preparation of an EIR if it finds the project may have a significant effect on the environment.

## **11. NOTICE OF COMPLETION OF DRAFT EIR; NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY**

(a) At the time it provides a notice of completion of a draft EIR to OPR, the Authority shall make a copy of the notice of completion available in electronic format through the Authority's website on the internet.

(b) The Authority shall give notice of availability of a draft EIR by:

(i) Mailing to organizations and individuals who have previously requested such notice in writing.

(ii) Publication at least one time in a newspaper of general circulation in the community where the project is located.

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(iv) Posting for a period of at least 30 days in the office of the county clerk of each county in which the project will be located.

(c) The notice of availability shall disclose all information required by State CEQA Guidelines section 15087(c), including the date, time, and place of any scheduled public meetings or hearings to be held by the Authority, if known by the Authority at the time of the notice. If the notice of a public hearing is not included in the notice of availability, then notice of any public hearing shall be given at least 10 days before the hearing in the same manner as specified in subdivision (b).

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## **12. FINAL EIR PREPARATION AND CERTIFICATION**

(a) After evaluating any comments timely submitted on the Draft EIR, a Final EIR shall be prepared by the Authority. The responses to comments in the Final EIR shall describe the disposition of significant environmental issues raised by commenters and shall be based on factual information.

(b) Prior to the time the project is approved, the Final EIR shall be sent to the Board for certification that the Final EIR has been completed in compliance with CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines and these Local Guidelines and that it reviewed and considered the information contained in the Final EIR and that the Final EIR reflects the Authority's independent judgment and analysis. In addition, the Board shall determine whether the project will or will not have a significant effect on the environment.

### **13. FINDINGS FOR PROJECTS WITH IDENTIFIED SIGNIFICANT IMPACTS**

(a) Prior to approving a project for which the Final EIR identifies one or more significant effects, the Board shall make the findings required by Public Resources Code section 21081 and State CEQA Guidelines section 15091.

### **14. STATEMENT OF OVERRIDING CONSIDERATIONS**

(a) Where the decision of the Board would allow the occurrence of significant effects which are identified in the Final EIR but are not mitigated, the Board shall, pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines section 15093, state in writing the reasons to support its action based on the Final EIR and/or other information in the record.

(b) If a statement of overriding considerations is made, the statement should be included in the record of the project approval and should be mentioned in the Notice of Determination.

### **15. APPROVAL OF FINAL EIR**

(a) After considering the Final EIR and in conjunction with making findings under Public Resources Code section 21081 and State CEQA Guidelines section 15091, the Authority may decide whether or how to approve or carry out the project.

(b) The Authority shall not decide to approve or carry out a project for which an EIR was prepared unless either:

(i) The project as approved will not have a significant effect on the environment; or

(ii) The Authority has:

(1) Eliminated or substantially lessened all significant effects on the environment where feasible as shown in findings the findings required by Public Resources Code section 21081 and State CEQA Guidelines section 15091; and

(2) Determined that any remaining significant effects on the environment found to be unavoidable under Public Resources Code section 21081 and State CEQA Guidelines section 15091 are acceptable due to overriding considerations.

### **16. NOTICE OF DETERMINATION TO APPROVE FINAL EIR**

(a) After the project for which an EIR has been prepared is approved, the Authority shall file a Notice of Determination with the county clerk of the county or counties in which the project will be located, and with OPR if discretionary approval is required from any state agency, within five (5) working days after deciding to carry out or approve the project.

(b) The Notice of Determination shall be available for public inspection and shall be posted for a period of at least 30 days.

# CENTRAL COAST WATER AUTHORITY

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~~(v)(vi)~~ Adopt mitigation monitoring and reporting programs as required by ~~Section CEQA and section~~ 15097 of the State CEQA Guidelines.

~~(vi)~~ — ~~Consider appeals of determinations of the Executive Director.~~

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(vi) Consult with Responsible and Trustee agencies.

(vii) Prepare final environmental documents, including preparation of proposed findings.

(viii) ~~File~~Prepare and file notices as appropriate or as required.

(ix) Schedule and notice public hearings when required by CEQA or these Local Guidelines, or as otherwise deemed appropriate by the Executive Director or directed by the Board.

(x) ~~Approve~~Prepare addenda to previously certified ~~environmental impact reports~~EIRs, or adopted negative declarations or mitigated negative declarations, which make minor technical changes or additions to projects and where none of the conditions described in ~~Section~~section 15162 of the State CEQA Guidelines has occurred.

(xi) ~~Determine~~For any project for which decision-making authority is specifically delegated to the Executive Director by resolution of the Board, determine whether a previously certified or adopted ~~environmental impact report~~EIR, negative declaration or mitigated negative declaration is sufficient to cover changes or modifications to a project or whether additional environmental review is required.

(xii) For any action subject to the Executive Director's decision-making authority for which an addendum is prepared, consider the addendum with the final EIR or adopted negative declaration prior to making a decision on the project.

~~(xii)~~(xiii) Recommend to the Board additions to the list of Authority projects and activities that are exempt from review pursuant to Sections 5 and 6 of these Local Guidelines or over which the Authority exercises only ministerial authority.

~~(xiii)~~(xiv) Execute agreements with public agencies determining the lead agency for a project.

~~(xiv)~~(xv) Coordinate with lead agencies where the Authority will be a responsible agency.

~~(xv)~~(xvi) Promulgate supplemental policies for administration of these Local Guidelines.

(c) The Executive Director may delegate responsibility under these Local Guidelines.

(d) In furtherance of these Local Guidelines, the Authority<sub>2</sub> may contract with qualified persons or entities for the conduct of investigations, studies, tests, evaluations or other technical or scientific work and for the preparation and processing of documents, including, without limitation, initial studies, negative declarations, mitigated negative declarations and ~~environmental impact reports.~~EIRs.

~~(e) — The Board intends, by this Section, to delegate to the Executive Director the greatest degree of responsibility for implementation of CEQA and these Local Guidelines permitted by law and to reserve to itself only those decisions or duties that are non-delegable under applicable law or are reserved to the Board by these Local Guidelines.~~

## 5. STATUTORY EXEMPTIONS

5.1 The following specific Authority activities are considered statutorily exempt from CEQA. Nothing in this section precludes a determination, on a case-by-case basis, that other Authority activities are statutorily exempt from CEQA or these Local Guidelines. ~~Nothing and nothing~~ in this section is intended to limit application of any statutory exemption established under State CEQA Guidelines section 15260, et seq.

(a) Ministerial Projects (State CEQA Guidelines ~~Section~~section 15268).

(i) Delivering water to member agencies from existing Authority supplies.

(b) Emergency Projects (State CEQA Guidelines ~~Section~~section 15269).

(i) Projects to repair or correct a condition of an existing facility, which condition is discovered during the annual or periodic shutdown pursuant to the Authority's pipeline inspection and aqueduct protection program, and the repair or correction of which is necessary to maintain system reliability or to prevent or mitigate a foreseeable risk of damage if prompt remedial action is not taken.

(ii) Projects to repair, restore, demolish, or replace property or facilities damaged or destroyed as the result of an emergency, or projects to repair, restore or replace facilities the damage to or destruction of which results in an emergency.



(c) Pipelines (State CEQA Guidelines [Sectionsection](#) 15284 and Public Resources Code [Sectionsection](#) 21080.21).

(i) The installation of a new pipeline or the maintenance, repair, restoration, reconditioning, relocation, replacement, removal or demolition of an existing subsurface pipeline ~~is exempt~~ where the project is less than one mile in length and located within a public street, highway or any other public right-of-way. "Pipeline" means subsurface pipelines and subsurface or surface accessories or appurtenances to a pipeline, such as mains, traps, vents, cables, conduits, vaults, valves, flanges, manholes, and meters.

(d) Rates, Tolls, Fares and Charges and Budget (State CEQA Guidelines [Sectionssections](#) 15060, subdivision (c), 15273).

(i) Water rates, tax rates and other charges for the purpose of meeting operating expenses, including employee compensation and benefits, purchasing or leasing supplies, equipment, or materials; meeting financial reserve needs and requirements, or obtaining funds for capital projects necessary to maintain service within existing service areas. Written findings setting forth with specificity the basis for the claim of this exemption shall be incorporated in the record of the project.

(e) Water (State CEQA Guidelines [Sectionssections](#) 15282, subdivisions (u) and (v).)

(i) Temporary changes in the point of diversion, place of use, of purpose of use due to a transfer or exchange of water or water rights as set forth in [Sectionsection](#) 1729 of the Water Code.

(ii) The preparation and adoption of Urban Water Management Plans pursuant to the provisions of [Sectionsection](#) 10652 of the Water Code.

## 6. CATEGORICAL EXEMPTIONS

6.1 Specific Authority activities falling within the classes of categorical exemptions described in the State CEQA Guidelines are listed below under the applicable exemption categories. Nothing in this [Sectionsection](#) shall be construed to prevent application of a categorical exemption to an Authority activity that is not listed and nothing in this section is intended to limit application of any categorical exemption established under State CEQA Guidelines section 15300, et seq.

(a) Class 1: Existing Facilities (State CEQA Guidelines [Sectionsection](#) 15301)

(i) Operation, repair and maintenance of the existing pipelines, pumps, tanks, reservoirs, vents, valves, vaults, rights of way and appurtenant facilities comprising the Authority's aqueduct system involving negligible or no expansion of use. This includes grading, mowing and regrading for maintenance of an existing right of way.

(ii) Draining pipelines or other structures at existing vent or drain locations for purposes of inspection, repair or maintenance, provided the drainage is regulated in

a manner reasonably calculated to avoid damage to adjoining property and discharge into a water course complies with the Clean Water Act or other applicable law governing water quality.

(iii) Installation of security devices, including without limitation, fences or gates, and implementation of programs for the security of the Authority's facilities and water supplies.

(iv) Issuance of water vouchers and rebates for conservation devices.

(v) Purchase and installation of valves, meters, etc. to modernize or improve existing facilities.

(vi) Issuance of encroachment permits or joint use agreements for activity that qualifies as minor modifications of an existing facility.

(b) Class 2: Replacement or Reconstruction (State CEQA Guidelines [Section 15302](#))

(i) Replacement or reconstruction of existing pipelines, pumps, tanks, reservoirs, vents, valves, vaults and other structures comprising the Authority's aqueduct system where the new structure will be located on the same site and have substantially the same purpose and capacity as the former structure.

(c) Class 3: Construction, installation or conversion of small structures, equipment or facilities (State CEQA Guidelines [Section 15303](#))

(i) The addition of appurtenant structures and equipment to existing facilities including garages, sheds, fences, and gates, valve vaults, flow control facilities less than 500 square feet, and pipeline segments less than 150 linear feet to connect such structures to an existing aqueduct.

(ii) Issuance of encroachment permits or joint use agreements for activity that qualifies as construction, installation or conversion of small structures, equipment or facilities.

(d) Class 4: Minor alterations to land. (State CEQA Guidelines [Section 15304](#))

(i) Minor grading to establish access roads over land with a slope of less than 10 percent, except in waterways, wetlands or designated scenic or geologic hazard areas.

(ii) Issuance of encroachment permits or joint use agreements for activity that qualifies as minor alteration to land.

(iii) Destruction of wells – Filling of existing wells including piezometers outside of sensitive habitats.

(iv) Minor utility trenching – Trenches, outside of sensitive habitats, dug to install, maintain or repair small provided that the surface is restored.

~~(v) Issuance of pothole licenses.~~

~~(vi)~~(v) Temporary use of land for discharge of potable or raw water from pipelines and facilities provided erosion is controlled and the discharge into a watercourse complies with the Clean Water Act or other applicable laws governing water quality.

~~(vii)~~(vi) New gardening or landscaping, including the replacement of existing conventional landscaping with water efficient landscaping.

~~(viii)~~(vii) Geologic sampling, boring, surveying and other similar exploratory or testing activities for purposes of feasibility, planning or design studies where the property is restored to its preexisting condition as near as reasonably feasible under the circumstances.

(e) Class 5: Minor alterations in land use limitations (State CEQA Guidelines ~~Section~~section 15305)

(i) Issuance of minor encroachment permits for structures or activities that do not require a building, grading or similar construction permit under applicable ordinances of a city or county.

(f) Class 6: Information Collection (State CEQA Guidelines ~~Section~~section 15306)

(i) Leak detection, turf and agricultural audits.

(ii) Resource data collection that does not result in a serious or major disturbance to an environmental resource, including geotechnical investigations, biological sampling, and cultural resource testing and recovery.

(iii) Installation of monitoring wells – The construction of wells or piezometers to monitor ground water conditions outside of sensitive habitats.

(iv) Planning assessments – Examples of this category include wetland delineations, determining the presence of species, plant collection for restoration projects, water quality testing of surface waters, and archeological studies.

(v) Land Surveying – activities associated with establishing boundaries with minor vegetation trimming.

(g) Class 9: Inspections (State CEQA Guidelines ~~Section~~section 15309)

(i) Inspections to check performance and operation of pipelines and appurtenant facilities and structures, as well as inspections to check on quality, health or safety of a project.

(h) Class 12: Sale of surplus property (State CEQA Guidelines ~~Section~~section 15312)

(i) The sale of surplus Authority property subject to limitations in ~~Section~~section 15312 of State CEQA Guidelines.

(i) Class 13: Acquisition of lands for wildlife conservation purposes (State CEQA Guidelines ~~Section~~section 15313)

(i) Acquisition of habitat mitigation lands.

~~(j) Class 21: Enforcement Action (State CEQA Guidelines Section 15321)~~

~~(i) Actions to enforce Chapter 7.00 of this Code.~~

~~(k)~~(j) Class 25: Transfer of ownership of interests in land in order to preserve open space (State CEQA Guidelines ~~Section~~section 15325)

(i) Acquisition of areas to preserve the existing and natural conditions or to allow restoration of natural conditions.

(ii) Transfer of land title to a local, state or federal agency, or approved land conservation organization for management purposes, including transfers of mitigation credits in mitigation land bank programs of the Authority.

~~(k)~~(j) Class 28: Small hydroelectric generating facilities at existing facilities where the capacity of the generating facilities is 5 megawatts or less (State CEQA Guidelines ~~Section~~section 15328)

(i) Installation of hydroelectric generating facilities of 5 megawatts or less in connection with existing pipelines, subject to the limitations in State CEQA Guidelines ~~Section~~section 15328.

6.2 The exemptions listed in Section 6.1 may not apply to particular projects if there exists one or more of the circumstances listed in ~~Section~~section 15300.2 of the State CEQA Guidelines.

## ~~7. PROJECTS FOR WHICH A PERSON OR ENTITY OTHER THAN THE AUTHORITY IS THE APPLICANT~~

~~7. Whenever a person or entity submits an application for a discretionary permit or other governmental determination of~~ **EXEMPTION REVIEW AND DETERMINATION**

~~(a) For any project subject to the Authority Board's or Executive Director's decision-making authority, the person Board or Executive Director, respectively, shall determine whether the project is ministerial, categorically exempt, an emergency project, otherwise statutorily exempt, or entity shall also submit does not fall within the definition of a project under CEQA.~~

(b) Such projects described in subdivision (a), are exempt from the requirements of CEQA and require no further consideration of environmental impact.

(c) If a completed Environmental Information Form (project is determined to be exempt, a Notice of Exemption containing the information in State CEQA Guidelines Appendix H) and such other information as the Executive Director E may require. After a preliminary review of the form be filed by the Executive Director may require the person or entity to submit a completed draft Environmental Checklist Form (after the project has been approved.

(c) Any Notices of Exemption are to be filed for a minimum 30-day period with the county clerk of each county in which the project will be located and also with the Office of Planning and Research (“OPR”), if the project involves an approval by a State CEQA Guidelines Appendix G) and additional information necessary to make a determination of the environmental effects of the project. agency.

## 8. INITIAL STUDY

(a) The Executive Director shall prepare an initial study as applicable. Based upon the findings of the initial study, the Executive Director shall determine whether to prepare an for all Authority projects except those: (i) determined to be exempt following a preliminary review, (ii) covered by a previously certified or adopted EIR, a negative declaration, or mitigated negative declaration, or reaffirm a previously certified EIR or adopted negative declaration, or adopted mitigated negative declaration.

(b) If Authority is a responsible agency for the project, the applicant shall submit the approved negative declaration, mitigated negative declaration, environmental impact report or other final environmental determination of the lead agency instead of the other information required by this section.

(c) The application shall not be deemed complete until the applicant has submitted all the information required by subdivision (a) or (b). The applicant shall bear the Authority’s cost of the environmental review for the project.

(d) The Board or Executive Director having decision-making authority for the project under these Local Guidelines shall approve or certify the exemption, negative declaration, mitigated negative declaration or environmental impact report for the project. Decisions of the Executive Director regarding negative declarations or mitigated negative declarations are subject to appeal pursuant to Section 12 of these Local Guidelines.

## 8. INITIAL STUDY AUTHORITY PROJECTS

(a) Except as provided in this subdivision, the Executive Director shall prepare an initial study for all Authority projects. An initial study is not required for a project that is determined to be exempt following a preliminary review. An initial study is not required for a project addendum, or (iii) for which the Executive Director has determined to prepare an environmental impact report EIR without the need for an initial study.

(b) Based on the initial study, the Executive Director Authority may:

(i) Determine that the project is exempt from further review.

(ii) Determine that the project has been reviewed by a previously approved or certified negative declaration, mitigated negative declaration or environmental impact report EIR and that there are no material changes to the project that warrant further environmental review.

(iii) Prepare a proposed negative declaration if the project will have no significant effect on the environment (considering both primary and secondary effects) as determined by the initial study.

(iv) Prepare a proposed mitigated negative declaration if the potentially significant effects identified in the initial study are mitigated to insignificant levels by revisions in the project plans.

~~(v) Prepare a draft environmental impact report.~~

(v) Prepare a draft EIR if there is substantial evidence that the project may have a significant effect on the physical environment.

(vi) Prepare an addendum to a previously approved or certified negative declaration, mitigated negative declaration or EIR where the changes or additions are those described in State CEQA Guidelines section 15164.

(vii) Prepare a subsequent or supplemental EIR if the conditions under Public Resources Code section 21166 and State CEQA Guidelines section 15162–15163 are present.

## **9. NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A PROPOSED NEGATIVE DECLARATION OR MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION**

(a) At the time it gives notice of intent to adopt a proposed negative declaration or mitigated negative declaration, the Authority shall make a copy of the notice of intent available in electronic format through the Authority's website on the ~~Internet~~internet.

(b) The Authority shall give notice of intent to adopt a proposed negative declaration or mitigated negative declaration by:

(i) Mailing to organizations and individuals who have previously requested such notice in writing.

(ii) Publication at least one time in a newspaper of general circulation in the community where the project is located.

(iii) Mailing by first class mail, postage prepaid, to the owners and occupants of property within 600 feet of the proposed project. Owners shall be determined using the latest equalized assessment roll- or other method the Executive Director determines

appropriate. The Executive Director may provide additional mailed notice whenever the Executive Director determines that additional notice is appropriate under the circumstances.

(iv) Posting for a period of at least 20 days in the office of the county clerk of each county in which the project will be located. When a proposed negative declaration or mitigated negative declaration and initial study are submitted to the State Clearinghouse for review by state agencies, the posting period will be at least 30 days, unless a shorter period is approved by the State Clearinghouse under State CEQA Guidelines section 15105(d).

(c) Notice of a public hearing, if any, may be included in the notice of intent to adopt a proposed negative declaration or mitigated negative declaration. If ~~thea~~ notice of ~~thea~~ public hearing is not included in the notice of intent to adopt, then ~~the~~ notice of ~~theany~~ public hearing shall be given at least 10 days before the hearing in the same manner as specified in subdivision ~~(a)-b)~~.

~~(e)(d)~~ Published notice shall be complete on the date of publication. Mailed notice shall be complete on the date of mailing.

## **10. ADOPTION OF NEGATIVE DECLARATION OR MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION**

~~(a) — If final decision-making authority for a specific project, except for possibility of appeal, has been delegated by the Board to the Executive Director, then the Executive Director may adopt the proposed negative declaration or mitigated negative declaration as presented, conditionally adopt the proposed negative declaration including additional or substitute mitigation measures, order substantial revision and recirculation of the proposed negative declaration or mitigated negative declaration, or order preparation of an environmental impact report if he/she finds the project may have a significant effect on the environment.~~

~~(b)(a)~~ (a) Except as provided in subdivision ~~(a)~~, The Board may adopt the proposed negative declaration or mitigated negative declaration as presented, conditionally adopt the proposed negative declaration including additional or substitute mitigation measures, order substantial revision and recirculation of the proposed negative declaration or mitigated negative declaration, or order preparation of an environmental impact reportEIR if it finds the project may have a significant effect on the environment.

## **11. NOTICE OF COMPLETION OF DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORTS -EIR; NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY**

(a) At the time it provides a notice of completion of a draft environmental impact reportEIR to OPR, the Authority shall make a copy of the notice of completion available in electronic format through the Authority's website on the ~~Internet~~internet.

(b) The Authority shall give notice of availability of a draft environmental impact reportEIR by:

(i) Mailing to organizations and individuals who have previously requested such notice in writing.

(ii) Publication at least one time in a newspaper of general circulation in the community where the project is located.

(iii) Mailing by first class mail, postage prepaid, to the owners and occupants of property within 600 feet of the proposed project. Owners shall be determined using the latest equalized assessment roll- or other method the Executive Director determines appropriate. The Executive Director may provide additional mailed notice whenever the Executive Director determines that additional notice is appropriate under the circumstances.

(iv) Posting for a period of at least 30 days in the office of the county clerk of each county in which the project will be located.

(c) ~~Notice of the public hearing required may be included in the~~ The notice of availability shall disclose all information required by State CEQA Guidelines section 15087(c), including the date, time, and place of any scheduled public meetings or hearings to be held by the Authority, if known by the Authority at the time of a draft environmental impact report.the notice. If the notice of ~~the~~ public hearing is not included in the notice of availability, then ~~the~~ notice of ~~the~~any public hearing shall be given at least 10 days before the hearing in the same manner as specified in subdivision (b).

(d) Published notice shall be complete on the date of publication. Mailed notice shall be complete on the date of mailing.

## ~~12. — APPEALS~~

~~12. Determinations of the Executive Director regarding negative declarations or mitigated negative declarations may be appealed to the Board, in writing, within twenty-one (21) days after any such determination. Such appeal shall specify in writing the grounds upon which it is taken. Within thirty (30) days of receipt of such appeal, the Executive Director shall set a hearing on the appeal before the Board and notify the appellant in writing of the time and place of the hearing at least ten (10) days prior to the hearing and give public notice of the hearing date. At said hearing the appellant may present evidence concerning the appeal. The Board may affirm, reverse, modify, or continue the action appealed. The Executive Director shall notify the appellant within ten (10) days in writing by mail of the Board action taken. Notice of the action taken shall be deemed to have been given when the written notification has been deposited in the mail, postpaid, addressed to the appellant.~~  
FINAL EIR PREPARATION AND CERTIFICATION

(a) After evaluating any comments timely submitted on the Draft EIR, a Final EIR shall be prepared by the Authority. The responses to comments in the Final EIR shall describe the disposition of significant environmental issues raised by commenters and shall be based on factual information.

(b) Prior to the time the project is approved, the Final EIR shall be sent to the Board for certification that the Final EIR has been completed in compliance with CEQA and the



State CEQA Guidelines and these Local Guidelines and that it reviewed and considered the information contained in the Final EIR and that the Final EIR reflects the Authority's independent judgment and analysis. In addition, the Board shall determine whether the project will or will not have a significant effect on the environment.

### **13. FINDINGS FOR PROJECTS WITH IDENTIFIED SIGNIFICANT IMPACTS**

(a) Prior to approving a project for which the Final EIR identifies one or more significant effects, the Board shall make the findings required by Public Resources Code section 21081 and State CEQA Guidelines section 15091.

### **14. STATEMENT OF OVERRIDING CONSIDERATIONS**

(a) Where the decision of the Board would allow the occurrence of significant effects which are identified in the Final EIR but are not mitigated, the Board shall, pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines section 15093, state in writing the reasons to support its action based on the Final EIR and/or other information in the record.

(b) If a statement of overriding considerations is made, the statement should be included in the record of the project approval and should be mentioned in the Notice of Determination.

### **15. APPROVAL OF FINAL EIR**

(a) After considering the Final EIR and in conjunction with making findings under Public Resources Code section 21081 and State CEQA Guidelines section 15091, the Authority may decide whether or how to approve or carry out the project.

(b) The Authority shall not decide to approve or carry out a project for which an EIR was prepared unless either:

(i) The project as approved will not have a significant effect on the environment; or

(ii) The Authority has:

(1) Eliminated or substantially lessened all significant effects on the environment where feasible as shown in findings the findings required by Public Resources Code section 21081 and State CEQA Guidelines section 15091; and

(2) Determined that any remaining significant effects on the environment found to be unavoidable under Public Resources Code section 21081 and State CEQA Guidelines section 15091 are acceptable due to overriding considerations.

### **16. NOTICE OF DETERMINATION TO APPROVE FINAL EIR**

(a) After the project for which an EIR has been prepared is approved, the Authority shall file a Notice of Determination with the county clerk of the county or counties in

which the project will be located, and with OPR if discretionary approval is required from any state agency, within five (5) working days after deciding to carry out or approve the project.

(b) The Notice of Determination shall be available for public inspection and shall be posted for a period of at least 30 days.



## CENTRAL COAST WATER AUTHORITY

### MEMORANDUM

July 17, 2023

**TO:** CCWA Board of Directors

**FROM:** Ray A. Stokes  
Executive Director 

**SUBJECT:** Approval of Contract with The Widroe Group, Inc. for CCWA Staff Recruitment Services – Anticipated Expense \$51,800

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#### RECOMMENDATION

That the CCWA Board of Directors approve retention of The Widroe Group, Inc. to provide recruitment services for the vacant CCWA Operations Manager and Safety Officer positions and authorize the Executive Director to execute the necessary contracts.

#### BACKGROUND

As part of its succession plan, CCWA has identified the need for a new position, Operations Manager, to report to the current Deputy Director of Engineering and Operations. This position was included in the FY 2023/24 Budget approved by the Board in April 2023 and is considered a high priority to fill, as the position will be learning the essential functions of the operations and maintenance of CCWA and will be a high-level member of the CCWA Senior Management Team.

The Safety Officer position is an ongoing position that has been vacant since June of 2022. In early 2023, after internal efforts to fill the vacancy were unsuccessful, a recruitment was begun with the firm CPSHR Consulting. CPSHR has conducted a nationwide search effort and has previously identified several extremely qualified people, who determined during the interview process they did not wish to relocate. CPSHR has continued its search efforts, and currently we have three candidates pending interviews for the position, all currently located outside the Central Coast area. This position is also considered critical, due to the importance of the job functions (currently being conducted through consultants and CCWA staff on an interim basis) and its status as a key member of the CCWA Senior Management Team.

Mr. Widroe is a local recruiter who specializes in talent searches within the Central Coast area and is very familiar with the difficulty of hiring in our specialized public agency and water related community. He successfully recruited CCWA's Controller position and has successfully located candidates for key positions for several of CCWA's member agencies.

#### DISCUSSION

CCWA staff have already had meetings with Mr. Widroe to discuss his strategy for filling the Operations Manager vacancy, and agree that his methodology of finding qualified candidates within the area is best suited to CCWA's needs for this position.

During that conversation, we also discussed the open Safety Officer position, and he expressed confidence that he would be able to successfully fill the position, in the event the next round of interviews (which will be conducted the first week of August) are unsuccessful.

Due to the importance of filling these positions, and the lack of success we have had to date with the Safety Officer position vacancy, we are requesting retention of The Widroe Group, at an estimated cost of \$27,750 for Operations Manager and \$24,050 for Safety Officer, pending the results of the current candidate search.

Attachments

## SEARCH AGREEMENT

This Search Agreement (the "Agreement") is made effective as of July 10, 2023, by and between The Widroe Group, Inc., and Central Coast Water Authority ("Client") and remains in effect until cancelled in writing by either party or terminated pursuant to the terms of this Agreement. The Widroe Group and Client may be referred to individually as a Party, or collectively as the Parties.

The Parties agree as follows:

### 1. DEFINITIONS

- 1.1 "Client" is an individual, company, entity, or organization that contracts with The Widroe Group for services.
- 1.2 "Candidate" is an individual referenced to Client for an open position.
- 1.3 "Position" is a role, job description, title, or opportunity to earn compensation at Client.
- 1.4 "Client Stakeholders" are personnel at Client that are integral to the decision-making process for any position search.
- 1.5 "Fee" is the amount due to The Widroe Group in connection with services rendered to place candidate in a position at Client and is based on a selected candidate's annualized base salary, contracted fee, or rate.
- 1.6 "Position Search" describes the coordinated effort between The Widroe Group and Client to identify and reference candidates to Client for positions.
- 1.7 "Candidate Submission" means The Widroe Group submitting candidate's information to Client for consideration for a Client position.
- 1.8 "Candidate Start Date" is the date on which Candidate begins the employment or contract at Client.

### 2. SERVICES

The Widroe Group, Inc., agrees to perform for Client search and placement services defined as identifying and referencing candidates to positions specifically assigned by Client to The Widroe Group.

### 3. CLIENT OBLIGATIONS

- 3.1. Client agrees to provide to The Widroe Group, Inc., and keep current a list of Client Stakeholders integral in the decision-making process for any position search and will provide access to such stakeholders and/or personnel necessary to define and understand the position specifications and description at the initiation of the position search and during the position search.
- 3.2 Client agrees to timely communicate any updates related to Client's position search. Should Client decide, for any reason, to temporarily suspend search efforts by The Widroe Group, fees will be billed in accordance with this search agreement. Any assignment on hold for more than 90 days will require a new agreement.
- 3.3 Client agrees to provide The Widroe Group, Inc., with a digital copy of any Offer of Employment to a Widroe Group-submitted candidate so that The Widroe Group can invoice accurately and timely.

### 4. PAYMENT, FEES AND BILLING ARRANGEMENTS

Payment shall be made to The Widroe Group, Inc., 435 Farmland Drive, Buellton, CA, 93427.

Client agrees to pay The Widroe Group as follows:

- (a) **Payment for Contractor Services.** Client will pay to Recruiter a maximum fee of 18.5% of the annualized salary for the successful placement of an Operations Manager. Said fee is payable in three (3) equal parts with the invoice for the first installment to be issued as a retainer to initiate the work. Subsequent invoices will be submitted with progress reports or upon hire of an identified qualified professional. This fee represents the total compensation and includes reimbursement of all of Recruiter's direct costs such as the production of marketing materials and web sites, travel, communication, online and printed job postings, etc.
- (b) **Schedule of Fees.** Payment for recruitment services is divided into three equal parts according to the following schedule:
  - 1<sup>st</sup> payment: \$9250.00 – Retainer due upon execution of agreement.
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> payment: \$9250.00 – Due upon submission of candidate.
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> payment: \$9250.00 – Due upon hire.
- (c) The aforementioned Schedule of Fees is determined based on an annualized salary of \$150,000 for the position of Operations Manager. If a qualified candidate is hired at a higher salary, the Contractor's Schedule of Fees will be adjusted to reflect the agreed upon 18.5% service fee.
- (d) If any candidate presented to Client by The Widroe Group is ultimately hired within a twelve-month period from date of candidate submission, even after cancellation or termination of this search agreement, the entire fee will be due and payable no later than 30 days from the candidate's start date.
- (e) If any candidate presented to Client by The Widroe Group is ultimately contracted as an independent contractor within a twelve-month period from date of candidate's submission, even after cancellation or termination of this search agreement, Client agrees to pay 18.5% of the selected candidate's annualized contracted fee, rate, or base salary up to a maximum fee of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000.00). Such maximum fee only applies to candidates contracted by Client as Independent Contractors. Such payment will be due and payable no later than 30 days from the candidate's start date.

#### **Late Payments**

Late payments are subject to interest as described below and will also result in voiding the warranty clause in Section 5 herein. If any invoice is not paid when due, interest will be added to and payable on all overdue amounts at 1.5% per month, or the maximum percentage allowed under applicable California laws, whichever is less. Client shall pay all costs of collection, including without limitation, reasonable attorney fees. In addition to any other right or remedy provided by law, if Client fails to pay for the Services when due, The Widroe Group has the option to treat such failure to pay as a material breach of this Agreement and may cancel this Agreement and/or seek legal remedies.

The Widroe Group may suspend services if any payment or portion of payment is not received by its due date. Late payment and non-payment will result in voiding the Warranty.

## **5. WARRANTY**

In the event the employment of a candidate referred to Client under this Agreement lasts less than one hundred and eighty (180) calendar days, and provided that all fees and expenses relating to such referral have been paid, The Widroe Group will attempt to refer a replacement candidate for the same position at no additional charge to Client. The Widroe Group's obligation under this Agreement

is limited to attempting to find one (1) replacement candidate. Client shall notify The Widroe Group in writing within five (5) calendar days of the candidate/employee's termination date. Client agrees that the time period for referral of a replacement candidate shall not exceed six (6) months from candidate/employee's termination date.

## **6. TERM**

This Agreement may be terminated by either party upon fifteen (15) days prior written notice to the other party. An email notice by the terminating party will suffice.

## **7. LIMITATION OF LIABILITY**

In no event will The Widroe Group be liable for any lost revenue, profits, business relationships or data, or for special, indirect, consequential, incidental or punitive damages, however caused, and regardless of the theory of liability, even if The Widroe Group has been advised on the possibility of such damages. In no event shall The Widroe Group's liability to Client, whether in contract, tort (including negligence) or otherwise, exceed the aggregate of all payments/fees paid to The Widroe Group by Client under this search agreement.

Notwithstanding any statute to the contrary, any claim arising from or relating to this search agreement (whether contract, tort or both) shall be brought within one year after it arises.

## **8. ENTIRE AGREEMENT**

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In witness whereof, the parties hereto have caused this Agreement to be executed by their duly authorized representatives as of the date first above written.

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Central Coast Water Authority  
255 Industrial Way  
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## SEARCH AGREEMENT

This Search Agreement (the "Agreement") is made effective as of July 12, 2023, by and between The Widroe Group, Inc., and Central Coast Water Authority ("Client") and remains in effect until cancelled in writing by either party or terminated pursuant to the terms of this Agreement. The Widroe Group and Client may be referred to individually as a Party, or collectively as the Parties.

The Parties agree as follows:

### 1. DEFINITIONS

- 1.1 "Client" is an individual, company, entity, or organization that contracts with The Widroe Group for services.
- 1.2 "Candidate" is an individual referenced to Client for an open position.
- 1.3 "Position" is a role, job description, title, or opportunity to earn compensation at Client.
- 1.4 "Client Stakeholders" are personnel at Client that are integral to the decision-making process for any position search.
- 1.5 "Fee" is the amount due to The Widroe Group in connection with services rendered to place candidate in a position at Client and is based on a selected candidate's annualized base salary, contracted fee, or rate.
- 1.6 "Position Search" describes the coordinated effort between The Widroe Group and Client to identify and reference candidates to Client for positions.
- 1.7 "Candidate Submission" means The Widroe Group submitting candidate's information to Client for consideration for a Client position.
- 1.8 "Candidate Start Date" is the date on which Candidate begins the employment or contract at Client.

### 2. SERVICES

The Widroe Group, Inc., agrees to perform for Client search and placement services defined as identifying and referencing candidates to positions specifically assigned by Client to The Widroe Group.

### 3. CLIENT OBLIGATIONS

- 3.1. Client agrees to provide to The Widroe Group, Inc., and keep current a list of Client Stakeholders integral in the decision-making process for any position search and will provide access to such stakeholders and/or personnel necessary to define and understand the position specifications and description at the initiation of the position search and during the position search.
- 3.2 Client agrees to timely communicate any updates related to Client's position search. Should Client decide, for any reason, to temporarily suspend search efforts by The Widroe Group, fees will be billed in accordance with this search agreement. Any assignment on hold for more than 90 days will require a new agreement.

3.3 Client agrees to provide The Widroe Group, Inc., with a digital copy of any Offer of Employment to a Widroe Group-submitted candidate so that The Widroe Group can invoice accurately and timely.

#### 4. PAYMENT, FEES AND BILLING ARRANGEMENTS

Payment shall be made to The Widroe Group, Inc., 435 Farmland Drive, Buellton, CA, 93427.

Client agrees to pay The Widroe Group as follows:

- (a) **Payment for Contractor Services.** Client will pay to Recruiter a maximum fee of 18.5% of the annualized salary for the successful placement of a Safety Officer. Said fee is payable in three (3) equal parts with the invoice for the first installment to be issued as a retainer to initiate the work. Subsequent invoices will be submitted with progress reports or upon hire of an identified qualified professional. This fee represents the total compensation and includes reimbursement of all of Recruiter's direct costs such as the production of marketing materials and web sites, travel, communication, online and printed job postings, etc.
- (b) **Schedule of Fees.** Payment for recruitment services is divided into three equal parts according to the following schedule:
  - 1<sup>st</sup> payment: \$8016.67 – Retainer due upon execution of agreement.
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> payment: \$8016.67 – Due upon submission of candidate.
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> payment: \$8016.66 – Due upon hire.
- (c) The aforementioned Schedule of Fees is determined based on an annualized salary of \$130,000 for the position of Safety Officer. If a qualified candidate is hired at a higher salary, the Contractor's Schedule of Fees will be adjusted to reflect the agreed upon 18.5% service fee.
- (d) If any candidate presented to Client by The Widroe Group is ultimately hired within a twelve-month period from date of candidate submission, even after cancellation or termination of this search agreement, the entire fee will be due and payable no later than 30 days from the candidate's start date.
- (e) If any candidate presented to Client by The Widroe Group is ultimately contracted as an independent contractor within a twelve-month period from date of candidate's submission, even after cancellation or termination of this search agreement, Client agrees to pay 18.5% of the selected candidate's annualized contracted fee, rate, or base salary up to a maximum fee of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000.00). Such maximum fee only applies to candidates contracted by Client as Independent Contractors. Such payment will be due and payable no later than 30 days from the candidate's start date.

#### **Late Payments**

Late payments are subject to interest as described below and will also result in voiding the warranty clause in Section 5 herein. If any invoice is not paid when due, interest will be added to and payable on all overdue amounts at 1.5% per month, or the maximum percentage allowed under applicable California laws, whichever is less. Client shall pay all costs of collection, including without limitation, reasonable attorney fees. In addition to any other right or remedy provided by law, if Client fails to pay for the Services when due, The Widroe Group has the option to treat such failure to pay as a material breach of this Agreement and may cancel this Agreement and/or seek legal remedies.

The Widroe Group may suspend services if any payment or portion of payment is not received by its due date. Late payment and non-payment will result in voiding the Warranty.

## **5. WARRANTY**

In the event the employment of a candidate referred to Client under this Agreement lasts less than one hundred and eighty (180) calendar days, and provided that all fees and expenses relating to such referral have been paid, The Widroe Group will attempt to refer a replacement candidate for the same position at no additional charge to Client. The Widroe Group's obligation under this Agreement is limited to attempting to find one (1) replacement candidate. Client shall notify The Widroe Group in writing within five (5) calendar days of the candidate/employee's termination date. Client agrees that the time period for referral of a replacement candidate shall not exceed six (6) months from candidate/employee's termination date.

## **6. TERM**

This Agreement may be terminated by either party upon fifteen (15) days prior written notice to the other party. An email notice by the terminating party will suffice.

## **7. LIMITATION OF LIABILITY**

In no event will The Widroe Group be liable for any lost revenue, profits, business relationships or data, or for special, indirect, consequential, incidental or punitive damages, however caused, and regardless of the theory of liability, even if The Widroe Group has been advised on the possibility of such damages. In no event shall The Widroe Group's liability to Client, whether in contract, tort (including negligence) or otherwise, exceed the aggregate of all payments/fees paid to The Widroe Group by Client under this search agreement.

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# State Water Contractors - Priority 1 7/20/2023

Agenda Item VII.I.  
Board of Directors  
July 27, 2023

**[AB 30](#)**

**(Ward D) Atmospheric rivers: research: reservoir operations.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 6/26/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 12/5/2022

**Last Amend:** 6/26/2023

**Status:** 7/13/2023-Read third time. Passed. Ordered to the Assembly. (Ayes 37. Noes 0.). In Assembly. Concurrence in Senate amendments pending. May be considered on or after August 11 pursuant to Assembly Rule 77.

**Location:** 7/13/2023-A. CONCURRENCE

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** Current law establishes the Atmospheric Rivers: Research, Mitigation, and Climate Forecasting Program in the Department of Water Resources. Current law requires the department, upon an appropriation for purposes of the program, to research climate forecasting and the causes and impacts that climate change has on atmospheric rivers, to operate reservoirs in a manner that improves flood protection, and to reoperate flood control and water storage facilities to capture water generated by atmospheric rivers. This bill would rename that program the Atmospheric Rivers Research and Forecast Improvement Program: Enabling Climate Adaptation Through Forecast-Informed Reservoir Operations and Hazard Resiliency (AR/FIRO) Program. The bill would require the department to research, develop, and implement new observations, prediction models, novel forecasting methods, and tailored decision support systems to improve predictions of atmospheric rivers and their impacts on water supply, flooding, post-wildfire debris flows, and environmental conditions.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - S	Priority 1	ACWA - S	CMUA - F

**[AB 277](#)**

**(Rodriguez D) Extreme Weather Forecast and Threat Intelligence Integration Center.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 7/3/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 1/23/2023

**Last Amend:** 7/3/2023

**Status:** 7/11/2023-From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on APPR with recommendation: To Consent Calendar. (Ayes 14. Noes 0.) (July 11). Re-referred to Com. on APPR.

**Location:** 7/11/2023-S. APPR.

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** Current law establishes the Atmospheric Rivers: Research, Mitigation, and Climate Forecasting Program within the department to, upon appropriation of special fund moneys, research climate forecasting and the causes and impacts that climate change has on atmospheric rivers, to operate reservoirs in a manner that improves flood protection in the state, and to reoperate flood control and water storage facilities to capture water generated by atmospheric rivers. This bill would establish the State-Federal Flood Operations Center within the Department of Water Resources and would authorize the department to administer the center in the department's divisions, offices, or programs. The bill would provide that the purpose of the center is to function as the focal point for gathering, analyzing, and disseminating flood and water-related information to stakeholders and would authorize the center to take specified actions for that purpose, including to function during emergency situations to enable the department to centrally coordinate statewide emergency responses.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 1	ACWA - F	CMUA - W

**[AB 305](#)**

**(Villapudua D) California Flood Protection Bond Act of 2024.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 4/25/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 1/26/2023

**Last Amend:** 4/25/2023

**Status:** 6/14/2023-Referred to Coms. on N.R. & W. and GOV. & F.

**Location:** 6/14/2023-S. N.R. & W.

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** Would enact the California Flood Protection Bond Act of 2024 which, if approved by the voters, would authorize the issuance of bonds in the amount of \$4,500,000,000 pursuant to the State General Obligation Bond Law for flood protection projects, as specified. The bill would provide for the submission of these provisions to the voters at the November 5, 2024, statewide general election.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 1		
			ACWA - F/A	

**AB 345**

**(Wilson D) Habitat restoration: flood control: advance payments.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 6/26/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 1/31/2023

**Last Amend:** 6/26/2023

**Status:** 7/10/2023-In committee: Referred to APPR. suspense file.

**Location:** 7/10/2023-S. APPR. SUSPENSE FILE

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** Current law establishes the Central Valley Flood Protection Board and authorizes the board to engage in various flood control activities along the Sacramento River, the San Joaquin River, their tributaries, and related areas. This bill would authorize the Department of Water Resources or the board to provide advance payments, as defined, to local agencies for projects that restore habitat for threatened and endangered species under state or federal law or improve flood protection, as provided. The bill would prohibit the amount of funds advanced by the department or the board to the local agency at any one time from exceeding 25% of the entire amount authorized to be provided under the funding agreement. The bill would require the project proponent to demonstrate a need for an advance payment and that the project proponent is sufficiently qualified to manage the project and the project's finances. The bill would require the funds to be spent within 6 months and would require the recipient to provide an accountability report to the department or the board on a quarterly basis, as specified.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 1		

**AB 356**

**(Mathis R) California Environmental Quality Act: aesthetic impacts.**

**Current Text:** Enrolled: 7/14/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 1/31/2023

**Last Amend:** 4/18/2023

**Status:** 7/13/2023-Read third time. Passed. Ordered to the Assembly. (Ayes 37. Noes 0.). In Assembly. Ordered to Engrossing and Enrolling.

**Location:** 7/13/2023-A. ENROLLMENT

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	<b>Enrolled</b>	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) requires a lead agency, as defined, to prepare, or cause to be prepared, and certify the completion of an environmental impact report on a project that it proposes to carry out or approve that may have a significant effect on the environment or to adopt a negative declaration if it finds that the project will not have that effect. Current law, until January 1, 2024, specifies that, except as provided, a lead agency is not required to evaluate the aesthetic effects of a project and aesthetic effects are not considered significant effects on the environment if the project involves the refurbishment, conversion, repurposing, or replacement of an existing building that meets certain requirements. This bill would extend the operation of the above provision to January 1, 2029. The bill would require the lead agency to file a notice with the Office of Planning and Research and the county clerk of the county in which the project is located if the lead agency determines that it is not required to evaluate the aesthetic effects of a project and determines to approve or carry out that project. By imposing additional duties on lead agencies, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 1		

**AB 400**

**(Rubio, Blanca D) Local agency design-build projects: authorization.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 6/13/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/2/2023

**Last Amend:** 6/13/2023

**Status:** 7/13/2023-Read third time. Passed. Ordered to the Assembly. (Ayes 37. Noes 0.). In Assembly. Concurrence in Senate amendments pending. May be considered on or after August 11 pursuant to Assembly Rule 77.

**Location:** 7/13/2023-A. CONCURRENCE

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** Current law authorizes a local agency, as defined, with approval of its governing body, to procure design-build contracts for public works projects in excess of \$1,000,000, awarding the contract either to the lowest bid or the best value. "Local agency" is defined, in part, for this purpose to include specified local and regional agencies responsible for the construction of transit projects, including any joint powers authority formed to provide transit service. Current law, among other requirements for the design-build procurement process, requires specified information submitted by a design-build entity to be certified under penalty of perjury. These provisions authorizing the use of the design-build procurement process are repealed on January 1, 2025. This bill would delete from the definition of "local agency" any joint powers authority formed to provide transit services, and would instead expand that definition to include any joint powers authority responsible for the construction of transit projects, thereby authorizing additional joint powers authorities to use the above-described design-build procurement process. The bill would extend the repeal date to January 1, 2031.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 1		

**AB 408**

**(Wilson D) Climate-resilient Farms, Sustainable Healthy Food Access, and Farmworker Protection Bond Act of 2024.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 7/13/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/2/2023

**Last Amend:** 7/13/2023

**Status:** 7/13/2023-From committee: Amend, and do pass as amended and re-refer to Com. on APPR. (Ayes 6. Noes 2.) (July 12). Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Com. on APPR.

**Location:** 7/13/2023-S. APPR.

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** Would enact the Climate-resilient Farms, Sustainable Healthy Food Access, and Farmworker Protection Bond Act of 2024, which, if approved by the voters, would authorize the issuance of bonds in the amount of \$3,365,000,000 pursuant to the State General Obligation Bond Law, to finance programs related to, among other things, agricultural lands, food and fiber infrastructure, climate resilience, agricultural professionals, including farmers, ranchers, and farmworkers, workforce development and training, air quality, tribes, disadvantaged communities, nutrition, food aid, meat processing facilities, and fishing facilities.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 1		

**AB 460**

**(Bauer-Kahan D) State Water Resources Control Board: water rights and usage: interim relief: procedures.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 5/18/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/6/2023

**Last Amend:** 5/18/2023

**Status:** 7/14/2023-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(10). (Last location was N.R. & W. on 6/7/2023)(May be acted upon Jan 2024)

**Location:** 7/14/2023-S. 2 YEAR

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**Summary:** Current law authorizes the State Water Resources Control Board to investigate all streams, stream systems, lakes, or other bodies of water, take testimony relating to the rights to water or the

use of water, and ascertain whether water filed upon or attempted to be appropriated is appropriated under the laws of the state. Current law requires the board to take appropriate actions to prevent waste or the unreasonable use of water. This bill would authorize the board, in conducting specified investigations or proceedings to inspect the property or facilities of a person or entity, as specified. The bill would authorize the board, if consent is denied for an inspection, to obtain an inspection warrant, as specified, or in the event of an emergency affecting public health and safety, to conduct an inspection without consent or a warrant.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - O	Priority 1	ACWA - O	CMUA - O

**AB 560 (Bennett D) Sustainable Groundwater Management Act: groundwater adjudication.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 6/26/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/8/2023

**Last Amend:** 6/26/2023

**Status:** 7/12/2023-From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on APPR. (Ayes 8. Noes 2.) (July 11). Re-referred to Com. on APPR.

**Location:** 7/12/2023-S. APPR.

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**Summary:** Current law prohibits a court from approving entry of judgment in certain adjudication actions for a basin required to have a groundwater sustainability plan under the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act, unless the court finds that the judgment would not substantially impair the ability of a groundwater sustainability agency, the State Water Resources Control Board, or the Department of Water Resources to comply with the act and to achieve sustainable groundwater management. This bill would require the parties to an adjudication action to submit a proposed settlement agreement determining rights to water to the board for a nonbinding advisory determination as to whether the proposed settlement agreement will substantially impair the ability of a groundwater sustainability agency, the board, or the department to achieve sustainable groundwater management before filing the proposed settlement agreement with the court. The bill would require the board to provide its nonbinding advisory determination to the parties no later than 120 days after the proposed settlement agreement was submitted, and would require the parties to include the board's nonbinding advisory determination in the court filing, as provided.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 1	ACWA - NF	

**AB 585 (Rivas, Robert D) California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006: literature review and progress report.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 6/14/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/9/2023

**Last Amend:** 6/14/2023

**Status:** 7/5/2023-From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on APPR with recommendation: To Consent Calendar. (Ayes 7. Noes 0.) (July 5). Re-referred to Com. on APPR.

**Location:** 7/5/2023-S. APPR.

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**Summary:** Would request the California Council on Science and Technology (CCST), in its discretion, every 2 years, to perform a literature review as an ongoing series of systematic reviews, including source materials, to assess the infrastructure project types, scale, and pace necessary to achieve the state's energy, climate change, and air quality goals, as specified. The bill would also require, on an annual basis, the Office of Planning and Research to provide to the Joint Legislative Committee on Climate Change Policies, in consultation with the Energy Commission, the Public Utilities Commission, the State Air Resources Board, and the Independent System Operator, a progress report regarding the number of permit applications, the number of permitted projects approved, and the number of projects commissioned, for each of the infrastructure categories identified in the most recent literature review, as provided. The bill would provide that the funding required for these purposes would be provided upon appropriation by the Legislature, as specified.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water	SWC - W	Priority 1		



**AB 676 (Bennett D) Water: general state policy.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 7/12/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/13/2023

**Last Amend:** 7/12/2023

**Status:** 7/12/2023-Read second time and amended. Ordered to third reading.

**Location:** 7/12/2023-S. THIRD READING

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** Would specify that the use of water for domestic purposes includes water use for human consumption, cooking, sanitary purposes, care of household livestock, animals, and gardens, fire suppression and other safety purposes, and any other purpose determined to be a domestic purpose by a court, as specified.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 1	ACWA - O	CMUA - O

**AB 753 (Papan D) State Water Pollution Cleanup and Abatement Account: annual proceeds transfers.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 7/13/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/13/2023

**Last Amend:** 7/13/2023

**Status:** 7/13/2023-Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Com. on APPR.

**Location:** 7/12/2023-S. APPR.

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**Summary:** Current law authorizes the imposition of civil penalties for violations of certain waste discharge requirements and requires that penalties imposed pursuant to these provisions be deposited into the Waste Discharge Permit Fund, to be expended by the State Water Resources Control Board, upon appropriation by the Legislature, for specified purposes related to water quality. For violations of certain other waste discharge requirements, including the violation of a waste discharge requirement effluent limitation, current law imposes specified civil penalties, the proceeds of which are deposited into the continuously appropriated State Water Pollution Cleanup and Abatement Account, which is established in the State Water Quality Control Fund. This bill would create the Waterway Recovery Account within the Waste Discharge Permit Fund, and would annually transfer from the State Water Pollution Cleanup and Abatement Account, excluding administratively imposed civil liabilities that include a supplemental environmental project in connection with a monetary penalty, 40% of the annual proceeds to the Waterway Recovery Account. The bill would provide that moneys in the account created by the bill are continuously appropriated to the state board without regard to fiscal years. The bill would require the state board to allocate the Waterway Recovery Account moneys to each regional board on a proportional basis, based on moneys generated in each region, and would require the regional boards to allocate those moneys to third parties, with priority given to third parties that will undertake projects with multiple benefits that provide greenspace within disadvantaged communities, as provided.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 1		

**AB 754 (Papan D) Water management planning: water shortages.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 7/3/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/13/2023

**Last Amend:** 7/3/2023

**Status:** 7/11/2023-From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on APPR. (Ayes 7. Noes 3.) (July 10). Re-referred to Com. on APPR.

**Location:** 7/10/2023-S. APPR.

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**Summary:** The Urban Water Management Planning Act requires every public and private urban water supplier that directly or indirectly provides water for municipal purposes to prepare and adopt an

urban water management plan. Current law requires an urban water management plan to quantify past, current, and projected water use, identifying the uses among water use sectors, including, among others, commercial, agricultural, and industrial. Current law requires every urban water supplier to prepare and adopt a water shortage contingency plan as part of its urban water management plan. Current law requires the water shortage contingency plan to include procedures for an annual water supply and demand assessment, including the data inputs and assessment methodology used to evaluate the urban water supplier's water supply reliability for the current year and one dry year. Current law requires the key data inputs and assessment methodology to include specified information, including, among other things, a description and quantification of each source of water supply. This bill would require a water shortage contingency plan to include, if based on a description and quantification of each source of water supply, a single reservoir constitutes at least 50% of the total water supply, an identification of the dam and description of existing reservoir management operations, as specified, and if the reservoir is owned and operated by the supplier, a description of operational practices and approaches, as specified.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 1		
			ACWA - O	CMUA - O

**AB 755 (Papan D) Water: public entity: water usage demand analysis.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 7/13/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/13/2023

**Last Amend:** 7/13/2023

**Status:** 7/13/2023-Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Com. on APPR.

**Location:** 7/10/2023-S. APPR.

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**Summary:** Current law authorizes a public entity that supplies water at retail or wholesale within its service area to adopt, in accordance with specified procedures, and enforce a water conservation program. This bill would provide that a public entity, as defined, should conduct a water usage demand analysis, as defined, prior to completing, or as part of, a cost-of-service analysis conducted to set fees and charges for water service that are consistent with applicable law. The bill would require a public entity to identify, within the water usage demand analysis, the marginal cost of water service incurred by the public entity as a result of high water users, as defined, and the average annual volume of water delivered to high water users. The bill would also require the marginal cost and the average annual volume of water delivered to high water users to be made publicly available by posting the information in the public entity's cost-of-service analysis.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 1		
			ACWA - O	CMUA - NF

**AB 779 (Wilson D) Groundwater: adjudication.**

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Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** Current law establishes various methods and procedures for a comprehensive adjudication of groundwater rights in civil court. This bill would require the court to appoint one party to forward all case management orders, judgments, and interlocutory orders to the Department of Water Resources within 10 business days of issuance. The bill would require the court to allocate payment of the costs incurred by the party appointed to forward all case management orders, judgments, and interlocutory orders to the department among the parties in an amount and a manner that the court deems equitable. The bill would require the department to post the documents on its internet website in the interest of transparency and accessibility within 20 business days of receipt from a party, as specified. The bill would authorize the court to refer the matter to the State Water Resources Control Board for investigation and report in order to assist the court in making findings pursuant to these provisions, and would authorize a party to request that the court refer the matter to the board for these purposes. The bill would require the court to consider the water use of small farmers and disadvantaged communities, as those terms are defined, before entering a judgment.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 1	ACWA - O/A	CMUA - W

**[AB 809](#) ([Bennett D](#)) Salmonid populations: California Monitoring Program Fund.**

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Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** Would require the Department of Fish and Wildlife to establish the California Monitoring Program to collect comprehensive data on anadromous salmonid populations, in coordination with relevant federal and state agencies, to inform salmon and steelhead recovery, conservation, and management activities. The bill would authorize the department to consult with local agencies, tribes, conservation organizations, and academic institutions to carry out monitoring efforts under the program. The bill would establish the California Monitoring Program Fund in the State Treasury to, upon appropriation by the Legislature, support the program. The bill would specify the types of moneys that may be deposited into the fund and would make related findings and declarations.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 1		

**[AB 830](#) ([Soria D](#)) Lake and streambed alteration agreements: exemptions.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 6/27/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

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**Location:** 7/10/2023-S. APPR.

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** Current law prohibits a person, a state or local governmental agency, or a public utility from substantially diverting or obstructing the natural flow of, or substantially changing or using any material from the bed, channel, or bank of, any river, stream, or lake, or depositing or disposing of debris, waste, or other material containing crumbled, flaked, or ground pavement where it may pass into any river, stream, or lake, unless prescribed requirements are met, including written notification to the Department of Fish and Wildlife regarding the activity. Current law prescribes various requirements for lake and streambed alteration agreements. Current law also establishes various exemptions from these provisions, including exemptions for specified emergency work. This bill would additionally exempt from these provisions the temporary operation of existing infrastructure or temporary pumps being used to divert flood stage flows, as identified by the California Nevada River Forecast Center or the State Water Resources Control Board, or near-flood stage flows, as defined, to groundwater recharge as long as certain conditions are met.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 1	ACWA - F	CMUA - F

**[AB 914](#) ([Friedman D](#)) Electrical infrastructure: California Environmental Quality Act: review time period.**

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**Last Amend:** 7/13/2023

**Status:** 7/13/2023-Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Com. on APPR.

**Location:** 7/10/2023-S. APPR.

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) requires each state agency to establish, by resolution or order, time limits for completing the environmental review of a project where the state agency is the lead agency for the project, as specified. This bill, until January 1, 2031, would require a state agency, acting as the lead agency, to complete its environmental review for an electrical infrastructure project and to approve or deny the project within 2 years of the submission and acceptance of a complete application for the issuance of a lease, permit, license, certificate, or other entitlement for use for electrical infrastructure to the state agency. If the state agency fails to meet this deadline, the bill would require the state agency to submit to the Legislature a report setting forth the reasons that the review could not be completed within the time period and identifying potential impacts to the electrical system that could result from the delay.

<b>Organization</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Priority</b>	<b>Misc1</b>	<b>Misc2</b>
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 1		CMUA - W

**AB 923 (Bauer-Kahan D) Flood plain restoration projects: Central Valley: study.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 7/12/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

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**Last Amend:** 7/12/2023

**Status:** 7/12/2023-Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Com. on APPR.

**Location:** 7/10/2023-S. APPR.

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** The Central Valley Flood Protection Act of 2008 requires the Department of Water Resources to prepare, and the Central Valley Flood Protection Board, a state agency, to adopt, a plan identified as the Central Valley Flood Protection Plan. This bill would require the board, in coordination with the department, to identify priority flood plain restoration or floodway expansion projects where increased flows due to climate change are likely to overwhelm existing flood protection infrastructure, as specified. The bill would require the department and the board to conduct broad stakeholder outreach to identify priority projects and would require that those projects provide at least 2 of 4 specified public benefits. The bill would require the board, upon the appropriation of funds for this purpose, to begin preconstruction activities, including acquisition of land, easements, or rights of way, to expedite the priority projects identified.

<b>Organization</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Priority</b>	<b>Misc1</b>	<b>Misc2</b>
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 1	ACWA - W	

**AB 1205 (Bauer-Kahan D) Water rights: sale, transfer, or lease: agricultural lands.**

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**Last Amend:** 7/13/2023

**Status:** 7/13/2023-Read second time and amended. Ordered to third reading.

**Location:** 7/13/2023-S. THIRD READING

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** Current law declares that, because of the conditions prevailing in this state, the general welfare requires that the water resources of the state be put to beneficial use to the fullest extent of which they are capable, that the waste or unreasonable use or unreasonable method of use of water be prevented, and that the conservation of the water is to be exercised with a view to the reasonable and beneficial use of the water in the interest of the people and for the public welfare. This bill would require the State Water Resources Control Board to, on or before January 1, 2027, conduct a study and report to the Legislature and appropriate policy committees on the existence of speculation or profiteering by an investment fund in the sale, transfer, or lease of an interest in any surface water right or groundwater right previously put to beneficial use on agricultural lands, as specified. The bill would repeal this provision on January 1, 2031.

<b>Organization</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Priority</b>	<b>Misc1</b>	<b>Misc2</b>
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 1	ACWA - NF	

**AB 1272 (Wood D) State Water Resources Control Board: drought planning.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 6/26/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

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**Last Amend:** 6/26/2023

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**Location:** 7/10/2023-S. APPR. SUSPENSE FILE

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** Would require the State Water Resources Control Board, in consultation with the Department of Fish and Wildlife, to adopt principles and guidelines for diversion and use of water in coastal watersheds, as specified, during times of water shortage for drought preparedness and climate resiliency. The bill would require that the principles and guidelines allow for the development of locally generated watershed-level plans to support public trust uses, public health and safety, and the human right to water in times of water shortage, among other things. The bill also would require the state board, prior to adopting those principles and guidelines, to allow for public comment and hearing, as provided. The bill would make the implementation of these provisions contingent upon an appropriation of funds by the Legislature for this purpose.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 1		CMUA - W

**[AB 1337](#) (Wicks D) State Water Resources Control Board: water diversion curtailment.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 5/18/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/16/2023

**Last Amend:** 5/18/2023

**Status:** 7/14/2023-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(10). (Last location was N.R. & W. on 6/7/2023)(May be acted upon Jan 2024)

**Location:** 7/14/2023-S. 2 YEAR

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	2 year	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** Under existing law, the diversion or use of water other than as authorized by specified provisions of law is a trespass, subject to specified civil liability. This bill would expand the instances when the diversion or use of water is considered a trespass. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - O	Priority 1	ACWA - O	CMUA - O

**[AB 1373](#) (Garcia D) Energy.**

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**Last Amend:** 5/22/2023

**Status:** 6/7/2023-Referred to Com. on E., U. & C.

**Location:** 6/7/2023-S. E. U., & C.

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** Current law requires the Public Utilities Commission (PUC) to identify a diverse and balanced portfolio of resources needed to ensure a reliable electricity supply that provides optimal integration of renewable energy in a cost-effective manner. Current law requires the PUC to adopt a process for each electrical corporation, electric service provider, or community choice aggregator to file an integrated resource plan and a schedule for periodic updates to the plan, and to ensure that load-serving entities meet other specified requirements. This bill would require that the portfolio of resources ensure a reliable electricity supply that also provides optimal integration of resource diversity in a cost-effective manner, as specified. The bill would require the PUC, on or before September 1, 2024, and biennially thereafter, to determine if there is a need for the procurement of additional offshore wind and geothermal energy resources, and would authorize the PUC, within 6 months of making that determination, to request the Department of Water Resources to procure offshore wind and geothermal energy resources that meet the portfolio of resources, as specified. The bill would authorize the department to procure those resources pursuant to that request only until January 1, 2030, and would authorize the department to issue bonds for that purpose, as specified.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 1		CMUA - O/A

**AB 1563 (Bennett D) Groundwater sustainability agency: groundwater extraction permit: verification.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 6/28/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

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**Last Amend:** 6/28/2023

**Status:** 7/14/2023-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(10). (Last location was GOV. & F. on 6/22/2023)(May be acted upon Jan 2024)

**Location:** 7/14/2023-S. 2 YEAR

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	2 year	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** Current law authorizes any local agency or combination of local agencies overlying a groundwater basin to decide to become a groundwater sustainability agency for that basin and imposes specified duties upon that agency or combination of agencies, as provided. Current law authorizes a groundwater sustainability agency to request of the county, and requires a county to consider, that the county forward permit requests for the construction of new groundwater wells, the enlarging of existing groundwater wells, and the reactivation of abandoned groundwater wells to the agency before permit approval. This bill would instead require a county to forward permit requests for the construction of new groundwater wells, the enlarging of existing groundwater wells, and the reactivation of abandoned groundwater wells to the groundwater sustainability agency before permit approval.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 1	ACWA - O	CMUA - W

**AB 1567 (Garcia D) Safe Drinking Water, Wildfire Prevention, Drought Preparation, Flood Protection, Extreme Heat Mitigation, Clean Energy, and Workforce Development Bond Act of 2024.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 5/26/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/17/2023

**Last Amend:** 5/26/2023

**Status:** 6/14/2023-Referred to Coms. on N.R. & W. and GOV. & F.

**Location:** 6/14/2023-S. N.R. & W.

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** Would enact the Safe Drinking Water, Wildfire Prevention, Drought Preparation, Flood Protection, Extreme Heat Mitigation, Clean Energy, and Workforce Development Bond Act of 2024, which, if approved by the voters, would authorize the issuance of bonds in the amount of \$15,995,000,000 pursuant to the State General Obligation Bond Law to finance projects for safe drinking water, wildfire prevention, drought preparation, flood protection, extreme heat mitigation, clean energy, and workforce development programs.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - S/A	Priority 1	ACWA - S/A	CMUA - S&A

**ACA 2 (Alanis R) Public resources: Water and Wildfire Resiliency Act of 2023.**

**Current Text:** Introduced: 12/5/2022 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 12/5/2022

**Status:** 4/20/2023-Referred to Coms. on W., P., & W. and NAT. RES.

**Location:** 4/20/2023-A. W.,P. & W.

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** Would establish the Water and Wildfire Resiliency Fund within the State Treasury, and would require the Treasurer to annually transfer an amount equal to 3% of all state revenues that may be appropriated as described from the General Fund to the Water and Wildfire Resiliency Fund. The measure would require the moneys in the fund to be appropriated by the Legislature and would require that 50% of the moneys in the fund be used for water projects, as specified, and that the

other 50% of the moneys in the fund be used for forest maintenance and health projects, as specified.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 1		

**SB 48**

**(Becker D) Building Energy Savings Act.**

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**Summary:** Current law requires each utility to maintain records of the energy usage data of all buildings to which they provide service for at least the most recent 12 complete calendar months, and to deliver or otherwise provide that aggregated energy usage data for each covered building, as defined, to the owner, as specified. Current law requires the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission (Energy Commission) to adopt regulations providing for the delivery to the Energy Commission and public disclosure of benchmarking of energy use for covered buildings, and specifies that this requirement does not require the owner of a building with 16 or fewer residential utility accounts to collect or deliver energy usage information to the Energy Commission. This bill would additionally specify that the requirement does not require the owner of a building with less than 50,000 square feet of gross floor space to collect or deliver energy usage information to the Energy Commission.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 1	ACWA - O/A	CMUA - O/A

**SB 69**

**(Cortese D) California Environmental Quality Act: local agencies: filing of notices of determination or exemption.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 7/12/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 1/5/2023

**Last Amend:** 7/12/2023

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Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) requires a local agency that approves or determines to carry out a project subject to CEQA to file a notice of determination with the county clerk of each county in which the project will be located, as provided. CEQA authorizes a local agency that determines that a project is not subject to CEQA to file a notice of exemption with the county clerk of each county in which the project will be located, as provided. CEQA requires the county clerk to make the notice available for public inspection and post the notice within 24 hours of receipt in the office or on the internet website of the county clerk, as specified. CEQA requires an action or proceeding challenging an act or decision of a public agency, including a local agency, on the grounds of noncompliance with CEQA to be commenced within certain time periods, as specified. This bill would require a local agency to file a notice of determination with the State Clearinghouse in the Office of Planning and Research in addition to the county clerk of each county in which the project will be located. The bill would authorize a local agency to file a notice of exemption with the State Clearinghouse in the Office of Planning and Research in addition to the county clerk of each county in which the project will be located. The bill would require the notice, including any subsequent or amended notice, to be posted both in the office and on the internet website of the county clerk and by the Office of Planning and Research on the State Clearinghouse internet website within 24 hours of receipt. The bill would specify that the posting of the notice by the Office of Planning and Research would not affect the applicable time periods to challenge an act or decision of a local agency, as described above.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 1		

**SB 122 (Committee on Budget and Fiscal Review) Public resources trailer bill.**

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**Summary:** Would express the intent of the Legislature that the administration conduct an assessment of offshore wind energy permitting and related resource needs across applicable state entities, including, but not limited to, the Energy Commission, the State Lands Commission, the California Coastal Commission, and the State Coastal Conservancy, as specified. The bill would also state that the outcomes of the assessment may be considered as part of a future budget. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 1		

**SB 146 (Gonzalez D) Public resources: infrastructure: contracting.**

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**Summary:** Existing law authorizes the Secretary of Transportation to assume the responsibilities of the United States Secretary of Transportation under the federal National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) and other federal environmental laws for any railroad, public transportation, or multimodal project undertaken by state agencies, as specified. Existing law provides that the State of California consents to the jurisdiction of the federal courts with regard to the compliance, discharge, or enforcement of these responsibilities. Existing law repeals these provisions on January 1, 2025. This bill would extend the above authorization to December 31, 2033. The bill would additionally authorize the Secretary of Transportation, consistent with, and subject to the requirements of, any memorandum of understanding between the state and federal government and upon the request of a local or regional agency with the authority to implement transportation projects, to assume responsibilities under the NEPA and other federal environmental laws for any railroad, local public transportation, or multimodal project implemented by the requesting local or regional agency. The bill would impose terms and conditions similar to those with respect to the above-described authority to assume those responsibilities for projects undertaken by state agencies, including providing consent for the jurisdiction of the federal courts, as provided. The bill would require the secretary to report to the transportation policy committees of the Legislature regarding the assumption of responsibilities under the NEPA requested by a local or regional agency by December 31, 2033.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - S	Priority 1		
			ACWA - F	

**SB 147 (Ashby D) Fully protected species: California Endangered Species Act: authorized take.**

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**Summary:** The California Endangered Species Act (CESA) requires the Fish and Game Commission to



establish a list of endangered species and a list of threatened species and to add or remove species from either list if it finds, upon the receipt of sufficient scientific information, as specified, that the action is warranted. The act prohibits the taking of an endangered or threatened species, except in certain situations, including, if specified conditions are met, through the issuance of a permit commonly known as an incidental take permit. This bill would, until December 31, 2033, authorize the Department of Fish and Wildlife to issue a permit under CESA that would authorize the take of a fully protected species resulting from impacts attributable to the implementation of specified projects if certain conditions are satisfied, including, among others, the conditions required for the issuance of an incidental take permit. The bill would require the department to develop a plan on or before July 1, 2024, to assess the population status of each fully protected species.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - S	Priority 1		
			ACWA - F	

**[SB 149](#) (Caballero D) California Environmental Quality Act: administrative and judicial procedures: record of proceedings: judicial streamlining.**

**Current Text:** Chaptered: 7/10/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

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Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) requires a lead agency, as defined, to prepare, or cause to be prepared, and certify the completion of an environmental impact report (EIR) on a project that it proposes to carry out or approve that may have a significant effect on the environment or to adopt a negative declaration if it finds that the project will not have that effect. CEQA also requires a lead agency to prepare a mitigated negative declaration for a project that may have a significant effect on the environment if revisions in the project would avoid or mitigate that effect and there is no substantial evidence that the project, as revised, would have a significant effect on the environment. CEQA provides that, in certain specified actions or proceedings, the plaintiff or petitioner may elect to prepare the record of proceedings, subject to certification of its accuracy by the public agency. CEQA requires that a copy of the certified record of proceedings be lodged with the court. This bill would authorize the public agency to deny the request of the plaintiff or petitioner to prepare the record of proceedings, as provided, in which case the bill would require the public agency or the real party in interest to bear the costs of preparation and certification of the record of proceedings and would prohibit the recovery of those costs from the plaintiff or petitioner. The bill would require the court to schedule a case management conference within 30 days of the filing of an action to review the scope, timing, and cost of the record of proceedings.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - S	Priority 1		
			ACWA - F	

**[SB 231](#) (Hurtado D) Department of Water Resources: water supply forecasting.**

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Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** Would require the Department of Water Resources, on or before December 31, 2025, to establish a formal process for annually evaluating and improving the accuracy of its water supply forecasts, adopt a new water supply forecasting model that better addresses the effects of climate change, and implement a formal policy and procedures for documenting its operational plans for the state's water supply and its rationale for its operating procedures. The bill would require the department, by December 1, 2024, to prepare, and submit to the Legislature, a report on its progress toward meeting these requirements.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2

**SB 265** (**Hurtado D**) **Cybersecurity preparedness: critical infrastructure sectors.**

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Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** The California Emergency Services Act, among other things, creates the Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES), which is responsible for the state’s emergency and disaster response services, as specified. Current law requires Cal OES to establish the California Cybersecurity Integration Center (Cal-CSIC) with the primary mission of reducing the likelihood and severity of cyber incidents that could damage California’s economy, its critical infrastructure, or public and private sector computer networks in the state. This bill would require Cal OES to direct Cal-CSIC to prepare, and Cal OES to submit to the Legislature on or before January 1, 2025, a strategic, multiyear outreach plan to assist critical infrastructure sectors, as defined, in their efforts to improve cybersecurity and an evaluation of options for providing grants or alternative forms of funding to, and potential voluntary actions that do not require funding and that assist, that sector in their efforts to improve cybersecurity preparedness.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 1		CMUA - W

**SB 308** (**Becker D**) **Carbon Dioxide Removal Market Development Act.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 5/18/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/2/2023

**Last Amend:** 5/18/2023

**Status:** 7/14/2023-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(10). (Last location was NAT. RES. on 6/8/2023)(May be acted upon Jan 2024)

**Location:** 7/14/2023-A. 2 YEAR

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	2 year	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** Would enact the Carbon Dioxide Removal Market Development Act that would require the State Air Resources Board, no later than December 31, 2027, to adopt a regulation to require certain emitting entities to purchase negative emissions credits equal to a specified amount of their greenhouse gas emissions, as determined by the state board, in each calendar year beginning in the 2028 calendar year in accordance with specified requirements. The bill would require the state board, no later than December 31, 2027, to establish rules and processes for certifying carbon dioxide removal processes that may be used to create negative emissions credits and for tracking negative emissions credits in accordance with certain criteria. The bill would also require negative emissions resulting from the use of negative emissions credits to be included in the calculation of the state’s net greenhouse gas emissions, as specified.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 1		CMUA - W

**SB 366** (**Caballero D**) **The California Water Plan: long-term supply targets.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 6/29/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/8/2023

**Last Amend:** 6/29/2023

**Status:** 7/14/2023-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(10). (Last location was W.,P. & W. on 6/8/2023)(May be acted upon Jan 2024)

**Location:** 7/14/2023-A. 2 YEAR

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	2 year	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** Current law requires the Department of Water Resources to update every 5 years the plan

for the orderly and coordinated control, protection, conservation, development, and use of the water resources of the state, which is known as "The California Water Plan." Current law requires the department to include a discussion of various strategies in the plan update, including, but not limited to, strategies relating to the development of new water storage facilities, water conservation, water recycling, desalination, conjunctive use, water transfers, and alternative pricing policies that may be pursued in order to meet the future needs of the state. Current law requires the department to establish an advisory committee to assist the department in updating the plan. This bill would revise and recast certain provisions regarding The California Water Plan to, among other things, require the department to instead establish a stakeholder advisory committee and to expand the membership of the committee to include tribes, labor, and environmental justice interests. The bill would require the department to coordinate with the California Water Commission, the State Water Resources Control Board, other state and federal agencies as appropriate, and the stakeholder advisory committee to develop a comprehensive plan for addressing the state's water needs and meeting specified long-term water supply targets established by the bill for purposes of The California Water Plan. The bill would require the plan to provide recommendations and strategies to ensure enough water supply for all beneficial uses.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - S	Priority 1	ACWA - S	CMUA - Sponsor

**SB 389 (Allen D) State Water Resources Control Board: investigation of water right.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 7/6/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/9/2023

**Last Amend:** 7/6/2023

**Status:** 7/11/2023-From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on APPR. (Ayes 9. Noes 3.) (July 11). Re-referred to Com. on APPR.

**Location:** 7/11/2023-A. APPR.

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** Current law authorizes the State Water Resources Control Board to investigate bodies of water, to take testimony in regard to the rights to water or the use of water, and to ascertain whether or not water is appropriated lawfully, as provided. Under current law, the diversion or use of water other than as authorized by specified provisions of law is a trespass, subject to specified civil liability. This bill would instead authorize the board to investigate and ascertain whether or not a water right is valid. The bill would authorize the board to issue an information order in furtherance of an investigation, as executed by the executive director of the board, to a water right holder or claimant, diverter, or user to provide the information related to a diversion and use of water, as specified. The bill would authorize a diversion or use of water ascertained to be unauthorized pursuant to this provision to be enforced as a trespass.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 1	ACWA - W	CMUA - W

**SB 420 (Becker D) Electricity: electrical transmission facility projects.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 6/30/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/9/2023

**Last Amend:** 6/30/2023

**Status:** 7/13/2023-From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on APPR. (Ayes 13. Noes 0.) (July 12). Re-referred to Com. on APPR.

**Location:** 7/12/2023-A. APPR.

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** Current law prohibits an electrical corporation from beginning the construction of a line, plant, or system, or of any extension thereof, without having first obtained from the commission a certificate that the present or future public convenience and necessity require or will require its construction, as specified. Under current law, the extension, expansion, upgrade, or other modification of an existing electrical transmission facility, including transmission lines and substations, does not require a certificate that the present or future public convenience and necessity requires or will require its construction. This bill would include the reconstruction of an existing electrical transmission facility in the above exemption. The bill would additionally provide that the construction of a new electrical transmission facility, including lines and substations, by an electrical corporation serving 10,000 or more retail customers does not require a certificate that the present or future public convenience and

necessity requires or will require its construction, a permit to construct, or any other discretionary permit from the commission, if the electrical transmission facility meets certain requirements.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 1		CMUA - F/A

**SB 422 (Portantino D) California Environmental Quality Act: expedited environmental review: climate change regulations.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 3/20/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/13/2023

**Last Amend:** 3/20/2023

**Status:** 7/13/2023-From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on APPR. with recommendation: To consent calendar. (Ayes 7. Noes 0.) (July 12). Re-referred to Com. on APPR.

**Location:** 7/13/2023-A. APPR.

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) requires a lead agency, as defined, to prepare, or cause to be prepared, and certify the completion of an environmental impact report (EIR) on a project that it proposes to carry out or approve that may have a significant effect on the environment or to adopt a negative declaration if it finds that the project will not have that effect. CEQA also requires a lead agency to prepare a mitigated negative declaration for a project that may have a significant effect on the environment if revisions in the project would avoid or mitigate that effect and there is no substantial evidence that the project, as revised, would have a significant effect on the environment. CEQA requires specified public agencies, including air pollution control districts and air quality management districts, to perform, at the time of adoption of a rule or regulation requiring the installation of pollution control equipment or a performance standard or treatment requirement, an environmental analysis of the reasonably foreseeable methods of compliance. This bill would also require those specified public agencies, at the time of adoption of a rule or regulation requiring the reduction in emissions of greenhouse gases, criteria air pollutants, or toxic air contaminants, to perform an environmental analysis of the reasonably foreseeable methods of compliance.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 1		

**SB 470 (Alvarado-Gil D) Water: Urban Water Community Drought Relief program: Small Community Drought Relief program: high fire hazard and very high fire hazard severity zones.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 7/12/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/13/2023

**Last Amend:** 7/12/2023

**Status:** 7/12/2023-Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Com. on APPR.

**Location:** 7/11/2023-A. APPR.

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** Current law authorizes specified state agencies, including the Department of Water Resources, subject to an appropriation, to make grants and direct expenditures for interim or immediate relief in response to conditions arising from a drought scenario to address immediate impacts on human health and safety or on fish and wildlife resources or to provide water to persons or communities that lose or are threatened with the loss of water supplies. This bill would establish in the department the Urban Water Community Drought Relief program and the Small Community Drought Relief program to provide grants for similar interim or immediate drought relief. These programs, upon a specified appropriation, would authorize funding for benefits in addition to drought relief, including, among other projects, projects that reduce the risk of wildfire for entire neighborhoods and communities through water delivery system improvements for fire suppression purposes in high fire hazard severity zone communities or very high fire hazard severity zone communities, as designated by the State Fire Marshal or by a local agency.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 1		

ACWA - F

**[SB 619](#)**

**(Padilla D) State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission: certification of facilities: electrical transmission projects.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 6/21/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/15/2023

**Last Amend:** 6/21/2023

**Status:** 7/13/2023-From committee: Do pass as amended and re-refer to Com. on APPR. with recommendation: To consent calendar. (Ayes 14. Noes 0.) (July 12).

**Location:** 7/12/2023-A. APPR.

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) requires preparation of specified documentation before a public agency approves or carries out certain projects. Current law makes an environmental leadership development project, as defined, that meets specified requirements and is certified by the Governor eligible for streamlined procedures under CEQA. In particular, current law requires the adoption of rules of court that expedite certain CEQA actions and proceedings related to an environmental leadership development project to resolve those actions and proceedings, to the extent feasible, within 270 days. This bill would expand the facilities eligible to be certified as environmental leadership development projects by the Energy Commission to include electrical transmission projects that support the state’s efforts to achieve specified minimum levels of procurement of electricity from renewable energy resources and zero-carbon resources. The bill would authorize the Energy Commission, when evaluating applications for those eligible electrical transmission facilities, to consider whether an applicant certifies that a capital investment of at least \$250,000,000 will be made over a period of 5 years.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 1		

**[SB 638](#)**

**(Eggman D) Climate Resiliency and Flood Protection Bond Act of 2024.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 6/28/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/16/2023

**Last Amend:** 6/28/2023

**Status:** 7/6/2023-July 11 hearing postponed by committee.

**Location:** 6/15/2023-A. W.,P. & W.

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** Would enact the Climate Resiliency and Flood Protection Bond Act of 2024 which, if approved by the voters, would authorize the issuance of bonds in the amount of \$6,000,000,000 pursuant to the State General Obligation Bond Law, for flood protection and climate resiliency projects.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 1	ACWA - F/A	CMUA - F/A

**[SB 651](#)**

**(Grove R) California Environmental Quality Act: groundwater recharge projects: Judicial Council rules of court.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 6/22/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/16/2023

**Last Amend:** 6/22/2023

**Status:** 7/14/2023-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(10). (Last location was NAT. RES. on 6/20/2023)(May be acted upon Jan 2024)

**Location:** 7/14/2023-A. 2 YEAR

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	2 year	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** Would require the Judicial Council to adopt a rule of court to establish procedures requiring actions or proceedings brought to attack, review, set aside, void, or annul the certification of an environmental impact report, or the granting of any project approvals, for groundwater recharge projects, as described, except as provided, that implement a groundwater sustainability plan or an interim groundwater sustainability plan, as described, that would require the actions or proceedings, including any appeals, to be resolved within 270 days of the filing of the certified record of proceedings with the court. The bill would also include a related statement of legislative intent.

Organization	Position	Priority
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State Water Contractors SWC - W Priority 1 **Misc1** **Misc2**

**SB 659 (Ashby D) California Water Supply Solutions Act of 2023.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 7/12/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/16/2023

**Last Amend:** 7/12/2023

**Status:** 7/12/2023-Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Com. on APPR.

**Location:** 7/11/2023-A. APPR.

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** Current law requires the Department of Water Resources to update every 5 years the plan for the orderly and coordinated control, protection, conservation, development, and use of the water resources of the state, which is known as "The California Water Plan." This bill would establish the California Water Supply Solutions Act of 2023 to, among other things, require the department to develop a groundwater recharge action plan by January 1, 2026, as specified, that provides actionable recommendations that result in the ability to create additional groundwater recharge capacity. The bill would require the department to consult with the State Water Resources Control Board, the 9 regional water quality control boards, and the advisory committee, which may be enlarged as provided, in carrying out these provisions. The bill would require the groundwater recharge action plan to identify and make recommendations on immediate opportunities and potential long-term solutions to increase the state's groundwater supply, as specified. The bill would require specified actions with regard to the groundwater recharge action plan, including, among other things, requiring the department to include it as part of the 2028 update to the California Water Plan and to update the groundwater recharge action plan at the same time that it prepares updates to the California Water Plan. The bill would require the department to establish a target for additional groundwater recharge capacity creation, to be used for planning purposes only, and to determine the target with consideration for other beneficial or environmental uses of water and water goals.

<b>Organization</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Priority</b>	<b>Misc1</b>	<b>Misc2</b>
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 1		
			ACWA - F	

**SB 706 (Caballero D) Public contracts: progressive design-build: local agencies.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 6/28/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/16/2023

**Last Amend:** 6/28/2023

**Status:** 6/28/2023-Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Com. on APPR.

**Location:** 6/21/2023-A. APPR.

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** Current law, until January 1, 2029, authorizes local agencies, defined as any city, county, city and county, or special district authorized by law to provide for the production, storage, supply, treatment, or distribution of any water from any source, to use the progressive design-build process for up to 15 public works projects in excess of \$5,000,000 for each project, similar to the progressive design-build process authorized for use by the Director of General Services. This bill would, until January 1, 2030, provide additional authority for cities, counties, cities and counties, or special districts to use the progressive design-build process for up to 10 public works in excess of \$5,000,000, not limited to water-related projects, excluding projects on state-owned or state-operated facilities. The bill would require information to be provided under penalty of perjury and would require similar reports due no later than December 31, 2028.

<b>Organization</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Priority</b>	<b>Misc1</b>	<b>Misc2</b>
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 1		

**SB 867 (Allen D) Drought, Flood, and Water Resilience, Wildfire and Forest Resilience, Coastal Resilience, Extreme Heat Mitigation, Biodiversity and Nature-Based Climate Solutions, Climate Smart Agriculture, Park Creation and Outdoor Access, and Clean Energy Bond Act of 2024.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 6/22/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/17/2023

**Last Amend:** 6/22/2023

**Status:** 7/6/2023-July 10 hearing postponed by committee.

**Location:** 6/20/2023-A. NAT. RES.

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** Would enact the Drought, Flood, and Water Resilience, Wildfire and Forest Resilience, Coastal Resilience, Extreme Heat Mitigation, Biodiversity and Nature-Based Climate Solutions, Climate Smart Agriculture, Park Creation and Outdoor Access, and Clean Energy Bond Act of 2024, which, if approved by the voters, would authorize the issuance of bonds in the amount of \$15,500,000,000 pursuant to the State General Obligation Bond Law to finance projects for drought, flood, and water resilience, wildfire and forest resilience, coastal resilience, extreme heat mitigation, biodiversity and nature-based climate solutions, climate smart agriculture, park creation and outdoor access, and clean energy programs.

<b>Organization</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Priority</b>	<b>Misc1</b>	<b>Misc2</b>
State Water Contractors	SWC - S/A	Priority 1		
			ACWA - S/A	CMUA - S&A

**Total Measures: 46**

**Total Tracking Forms: 46**

## State Water Contractors - Priority 2 7/20/2023

**AB 9**

**(Muratsuchi D) Greenhouse gases: market-based compliance mechanism.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 4/17/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 12/5/2022

**Last Amend:** 4/17/2023

**Status:** 6/2/2023-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(8). (Last location was INACTIVE FILE on 6/1/2023)(May be acted upon Jan 2024)

**Location:** 6/2/2023-A. 2 YEAR

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	<b>2 year</b>	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered	
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**Summary:** The California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006 authorizes the State Air Resources Board to include the use of market-based compliance mechanisms in regulating greenhouse gas emissions. The act requires the state board to prepare and approve a scoping plan for achieving the maximum technologically feasible and cost-effective reductions in greenhouse gas emissions and to update the scoping plan at least once every 5 years. This bill would require the state board to initiate a regulatory process to evaluate potential updates to the market-based compliance mechanism, and would require regulatory changes to take effect no later than January 1, 2025. The bill would require the evaluation to focus on specified items, including whether the supply of emission allowances and carbon offsets are consistent with a linear trajectory toward the statewide greenhouse gas emissions reduction goal established in the state board's most recent scoping plan, rules for banking allowances to use for future compliance, and recommendations made by the Independent Emissions Market Advisory Committee and the state board's environmental justice advisory committee. The bill would require the state board, beginning January 1, 2028, and subsequently on a triennial basis, as specified, and in consultation with the Independent Emissions Market Advisory Committee and the environmental justice advisory committee, to conduct an evaluation of the market-based compliance mechanism, as provided.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 2		CMUA - O/A

**AB 62**

**(Mathis R) Statewide water storage: expansion.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 4/20/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 12/6/2022

**Last Amend:** 4/20/2023

**Status:** 5/19/2023-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(5). (Last location was APPR. SUSPENSE FILE on 5/10/2023)(May be acted upon Jan 2024)

**Location:** 5/19/2023-A. 2 YEAR

Desk	Policy	<b>2 year</b>	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered	
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**Summary:** Current law establishes within the Natural Resources Agency the State Water Resources Control Board and the California regional water quality control boards. Current law requires the work of the state board to be divided into at least 2 divisions, known as the Division of Water Rights and the Division of Water Quality. This bill would establish a statewide goal to increase above- and below-ground water storage capacity by a total of 3,700,000 acre-feet by the year 2030 and a total of 4,000,000 acre-feet by the year 2040. The bill would require the Department of Water Resources, in consultation with the state board, to take reasonable actions to promote or assist efforts to achieve the statewide goal, as provided. The bill would require the department, beginning July 1, 2027, and on or before July 1 every 2 years thereafter until January 1, 2043, in consultation with the state board, to prepare and submit a report to the Legislature on the progress made to achieve the statewide goal.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 2	ACWA - F	

**AB 66**

**(Mathis R) Natural Resources Agency: water storage projects: permit approval.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 3/29/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 12/6/2022

**Last Amend:** 3/29/2023

**Status:** 5/19/2023-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(5). (Last location was APPR. SUSPENSE FILE



on 4/19/2023)(May be acted upon Jan 2024)

**Location:** 5/19/2023-A. 2 YEAR

Desk	Policy	2 year	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** Current law establishes the Natural Resources Agency, composed of departments, boards, conservancies, and commissions responsible for the restoration, protection, and management of the state's natural and cultural resources. Current law establishes in the agency the Department of Water Resources, which manages and undertakes planning with regard to water resources in the state. This bill would require the agency, and each department, board, conservancy, and commission within the agency, to take all reasonable steps to approve the necessary permits for specified projects that meet certain employment conditions within 180 days from receiving a complete permit application.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 2		

**AB 279 (Rubio, Blanca D) San Gabriel Basin Water Quality Authority: annual pumping right assessment.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 2/8/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 1/24/2023

**Last Amend:** 2/8/2023

**Status:** 6/8/2023-Read second time. Ordered to third reading.

**Location:** 6/8/2023-S. THIRD READING

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** The San Gabriel Basin Water Quality Authority Act establishes the San Gabriel Basin Water Quality Authority and provides for its powers and duties. Among other things, the act authorizes the authority to impose an annual pumping right assessment for specified purposes in an amount not to exceed \$10 per acre-foot. This bill would increase the maximum allowable annual pumping right assessment to \$20 per acre-foot.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 2		
			ACWA - F	

**AB 340 (Fong, Vince R) California Environmental Quality Act: grounds for noncompliance.**

**Current Text:** Introduced: 1/30/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 1/30/2023

**Status:** 4/28/2023-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(2). (Last location was NAT. RES. on 2/9/2023)(May be acted upon Jan 2024)

**Location:** 4/28/2023-A. 2 YEAR

Desk	2 year	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) prohibits an action or proceeding from being brought in a court to challenge the approval of a project by a public agency unless the alleged grounds for noncompliance are presented to the public agency orally or in writing by a person during the public comment period provided by CEQA or before the close of the public hearing on the project before the issuance of the notice of determination. This bill would require the alleged grounds for noncompliance with CEQA presented to the public agency in writing be presented at least 10 days before the public hearing on the project before the issuance of the notice of determination. The bill would prohibit the inclusion of written comments presented to the public agency after that time period in the record of proceedings and would prohibit those documents from serving as basis on which an action or proceeding may be brought.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 2		

**AB 344 (Wood D) Electricity: load-serving entities: offshore wind facilities.**

**Current Text:** Introduced: 1/31/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 1/31/2023

**Status:** 5/19/2023-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(5). (Last location was APPR. on 3/22/2023)  
(May be acted upon Jan 2024)

**Location:** 5/19/2023-A. 2 YEAR

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**Summary:** Would expressly authorize electrical corporations, electric service providers, and community choice aggregators to jointly enter into agreements to procure electricity generated from offshore wind facilities.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 2		CMUA - W

**AB 362**

**(Lee D) Real property taxation: land value taxation study.**

**Current Text:** Introduced: 2/1/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/1/2023

**Status:** 4/28/2023-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(2). (Last location was REV. & TAX on 2/9/2023)(May be acted upon Jan 2024)

**Location:** 4/28/2023-A. 2 YEAR

Desk	2 year	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** Would require the California Department of Tax and Fee Administration to conduct or commission a study on the efficacy of a statewide land value taxation system as an alternative to the current appraisal methods utilized for real property taxation. The bill would require the study to be provided to the Legislature by January 1, 2025. The bill would make related findings and declarations.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 2		

**AB 396**

**(Fong, Vince R) Dams.**

**Current Text:** Introduced: 2/2/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/2/2023

**Status:** 5/5/2023-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(3). (Last location was PRINT on 2/2/2023)  
(May be acted upon Jan 2024)

**Location:** 5/5/2023-A. 2 YEAR

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**Summary:** Current law regulates the construction and operation of dams and exempts certain structures for these purposes. Current law requires the owner of such exempt structures to employ a registered civil engineer to supervise the structure, as prescribed. This bill would make nonsubstantive changes to the above provision.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - Seek Information	Priority 2		CMUA - W

**AB 397**

**(Essayli R) California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006: scoping plan.**

**Current Text:** Introduced: 2/2/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/2/2023

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**Location:** 4/28/2023-A. 2 YEAR

Desk	2 year	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** The State Air Resources Board is required to adopt rules and regulations to achieve the maximum technologically feasible and cost-effective greenhouse gas emissions reductions to ensure that the statewide greenhouse gas emissions are reduced to at least 40% below the statewide greenhouse gas emissions limit, as defined, no later than December 31, 2030. The act requires the state board to prepare and approve a scoping plan for achieving the maximum technologically feasible

and cost-effective reductions in greenhouse gas emissions and to update the scoping plan at least once every 5 years. This bill would require the state board to include greenhouse gas emissions from wildlands and forest fires in the scoping plan.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 2		

**[AB 422](#) (Alanis R) Natural Resources Agency: statewide water storage: tracking.**

**Current Text:** Introduced: 2/2/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/2/2023

**Status:** 4/28/2023-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(2). (Last location was W.,P. & W. on 2/9/2023)(May be acted upon Jan 2024)

**Location:** 4/28/2023-A. 2 YEAR

Desk	2 year	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** Would require the Natural Resources Agency, on or before June 1, 2024, to post on its publicly available internet website information tracking the progress to increase statewide water storage, and to keep that information updated.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 2		

ACWA - F

**[AB 429](#) (Bennett D) Groundwater wells: permits.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 3/2/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/6/2023

**Last Amend:** 3/2/2023

**Status:** 4/28/2023-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(2). (Last location was W.,P. & W. on 3/2/2023)(May be acted upon Jan 2024)

**Location:** 4/28/2023-A. 2 YEAR

Desk	2 year	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** Current law requires the State Water Resources Control Board to adopt a model water well, cathodic protection well, and monitoring well drilling and abandonment ordinance implementing certain standards for water well construction, maintenance, and abandonment and requires each county, city, or water agency, where appropriate, not later than January 15, 1990, to adopt a water well, cathodic protection well, and monitoring well drilling and abandonment ordinance that meets or exceeds certain standards. Under current law, if a county, city, or water agency, where appropriate, fails to adopt an ordinance establishing water well, cathodic protection well, and monitoring well drilling and abandonment standards, the model ordinance adopted by the state board is required to take effect on February 15, 1990, and is required to be enforced by the county or city and have the same force and effect as if adopted as a county or city ordinance. The Sustainable Groundwater Management Act requires all groundwater basins designated as high- or medium-priority basins by the Department of Water Resources that are designated as basins subject to critical conditions of overdraft to be managed under a groundwater sustainability plan or coordinated groundwater sustainability plans by January 31, 2020, and requires all other groundwater basins designated as high- or medium-priority basins to be managed under a groundwater sustainability plan or coordinated groundwater sustainability plans by January 31, 2022, except as specified. This bill would, if 1% of domestic wells go dry in a critically overdrafted basin, as specified, prohibit a county, city, or any other water well permitting agency from approving a permit for a new groundwater well or for an alteration to an existing well in a basin subject to the act and classified as a critically overdrafted basin unless specified conditions are met.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 2		

ACWA - O      CMUA - W

**[AB 538](#) (Holden D) Multistate regional transmission system organization: membership.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 5/1/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/8/2023

**Last Amend:** 5/1/2023

**Status:** 5/19/2023-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(5). (Last location was APPR. on 4/27/2023)  
(May be acted upon Jan 2024)

**Location:** 5/19/2023-A. 2 YEAR

Desk	Policy	2 year	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** Current law provides for the establishment of an Independent System Operator (ISO) as a nonprofit public benefit corporation and requires the ISO to ensure efficient use and reliable operation of the electrical transmission grid consistent with achieving planning and operating reserve criteria no less stringent than those established by the Western Electricity Coordinating Council and the North American Electric Reliability Council. The Clean Energy and Pollution Reduction Act of 2015 provides for the transformation of the ISO into a regional organization, with the approval of the Legislature, pursuant to a specified process. That process provides that modifications to the ISO's governance structure, through changes to its bylaws or other corporate governance documents, will not become effective until the ISO, the Public Utilities Commission (PUC), the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission (Energy Commission), the State Air Resources Board (state board), the Governor, and the Legislature take specified actions on or before January 1, 2019. This bill would prohibit a California electrical transmission facility owner, a retail seller of electricity, or a local publicly owned electric utility from joining a multistate regional transmission system organization, as defined, unless the bylaws or other organizational documents that govern the organization, and the organization's operations, meet Federal Energy Regulatory Commission requirements and other specified requirements.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - Seek Information	Priority 2		CMUA - O/A

**AB 541 (Wood D) California Safe Drinking Water Act: wildfire aftermath: benzene testing.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 6/8/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/8/2023

**Last Amend:** 6/8/2023

**Status:** 7/5/2023-Read second time. Ordered to third reading.

**Location:** 7/5/2023-S. THIRD READING

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** Would direct the State Water Resources Control Board to require a public water system that has experienced a wildfire event meeting specified criteria to perform sample collection and analysis of its source waters, treatment facilities, conveyance facilities, distribution systems, or a combination thereof, for the presence of benzene as soon as it is safe to do so.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 2	ACWA - W&A	CMUA - W

**AB 547 (Alanis R) Distribution of energy resources.**

**Current Text:** Introduced: 2/8/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/8/2023

**Status:** 5/5/2023-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(3). (Last location was PRINT on 2/8/2023)  
(May be acted upon Jan 2024)

**Location:** 5/5/2023-A. 2 YEAR

2 year	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** Current law requires the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission to continuously carry out studies, research projects, data collection, and other activities required to assess the nature, extent, and distribution of energy resources to meet the needs of the state. This bill would make nonsubstantive changes to that provision.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 2		

**AB 580 (Bennett D) Zero-emission energy infrastructure: fallowed farmland.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 4/17/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/9/2023

**Last Amend:** 4/17/2023

**Status:** 5/19/2023-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(5). (Last location was APPR. SUSPENSE FILE on 5/10/2023)(May be acted upon Jan 2024)

**Location:** 5/19/2023-A. 2 YEAR

Desk	Policy	<b>2 year</b>	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered	
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**Summary:** Under current law, it is the policy of the state that eligible renewable energy resources and zero-carbon resources supply 90% of all retail sales of electricity to California end-use customers by December 31, 2035, 95% of all retail sales of electricity to California end-use customers by December 31, 2040, 100% of all retail sales of electricity to California end-use customers by December 31, 2045, and 100% of electricity procured to serve all state agencies by December 31, 2035. This bill would require the Public Utilities Commission, on or before July 1, 2024, to consult with the Department of Conservation, the Department of Food and Agriculture, and the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission to assess challenges that exist when enabling farmers to repurpose their fallowed land for zero-emission energy infrastructure, and to develop best practices for navigating those challenges. The bill also would require the commission, on or before December 31, 2024, to publish on its internet website information to assist farmers in navigating the above-mentioned challenges.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - Seek Information	Priority 2		

**[AB 643](#)**

**(Berman D) Electric Rule 21: interconnection: distributed renewable generation.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 5/1/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/9/2023

**Last Amend:** 5/1/2023

**Status:** 5/19/2023-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(5). (Last location was APPR. SUSPENSE FILE on 5/17/2023)(May be acted upon Jan 2024)

**Location:** 5/19/2023-A. 2 YEAR

Desk	Policy	<b>2 year</b>	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered	
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**Summary:** The Public Utilities Commission’s Electric Rule 21 establishes a tariff that describes the interconnection, operating, and metering requirements of generation facilities to be connected to an electrical corporation’s distribution system. This bill would require the commission, on or before March 31, 2024, to commence the consideration of adopting mechanisms, as provided, for distributed renewable generation interconnections to enforce timelines, reduce administrative burden, and provide transparency and certainty to customers. The bill would require the commission, in considering the adoption of mechanisms, to create process improvements to, and potential timelines for, Electric Rule 21 to address certain types of delays.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 2		CMUA - W

**[AB 655](#)**

**(Petrie-Norris D) Fish and wildlife: aquatic invasive species: Caulerpa.**

**Current Text:** Enrolled: 7/14/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/9/2023

**Last Amend:** 2/23/2023

**Status:** 7/13/2023-Read third time. Passed. Ordered to the Assembly. (Ayes 37. Noes 0.). In Assembly. Ordered to Engrossing and Enrolling.

**Location:** 7/13/2023-A. ENROLLMENT

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	<b>Enrolled</b>	Vetoed	Chaptered	
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**Summary:** Current law prohibits a person from selling, possessing, importing, transporting, transferring, releasing alive in the state, or giving away without consideration the salt water algae of enumerated Caulerpa species, except possession for bona fide scientific research, as provided. Current law subjects any person who violates these provisions to a specified civil penalty and to specified infraction or misdemeanor penalties. This bill would instead prohibit a person from selling, possessing, importing, transporting, transferring, releasing alive in the state, or giving away without consideration all salt water algae of the genus Caulerpa, except that possession for bona fide scientific

research.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 2		

**AB 682 (Mathis R) State Water Resources Control Board: online search tool: funding applications.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 3/20/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/13/2023

**Last Amend:** 3/20/2023

**Status:** 7/5/2023-Read second time. Ordered to third reading.

**Location:** 7/5/2023-S. THIRD READING

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** Current law establishes the State Water Resources Control Board (state board) to exercise the adjudicatory and regulatory functions of the state in the field of water resources. Current law establishes the Safe and Affordable Drinking Water Fund in the State Treasury to help water systems provide an adequate and affordable supply of safe drinking water in both the near and long terms. This bill would require, by January 1, 2025, the state board to update the state board’s online search tool for funding applications to include a description of the additional information the state board needs from a water system to continue processing the water system’s application and a description of the typical steps that must be completed before a funding agreement can be executed after receipt of a complete application, among other information, as specified.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 2		CMUA - F

**AB 735 (Berman D) Workforce development: utility careers.**

**Current Text:** Introduced: 2/13/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/13/2023

**Status:** 5/19/2023-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(5). (Last location was APPR. SUSPENSE FILE on 5/10/2023)(May be acted upon Jan 2024)

**Location:** 5/19/2023-A. 2 YEAR

Desk	Policy	2 year	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** Would establish the High Road Utility Careers (HRUC) program, to be administered by the California Workforce Development Board, to connect existing resources with individuals interested in careers in the utility sector and ensure a continued reliable workforce for California utilities. The bill would require the board to administer the HRUC program through partnerships with statewide water, wastewater, and energy utility associations and to coordinate the program with existing and future programs and initiatives administered by the board, including high road training partnerships, in order to align interested individuals with available resources. The bill would require the HRUC program, upon appropriation by the Legislature, to dedicate funding and resources toward accomplishing specified goals, including connecting workers to high-quality jobs or entry-level work with defined routes to advancement and increasing skills and opportunities while expanding pipelines for low-income populations.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 2	ACWA - F	CMUA - Sponsor

**AB 740 (Gabriel D) Department of General Services: drone cybersecurity.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 3/9/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/13/2023

**Last Amend:** 3/9/2023

**Status:** 4/28/2023-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(2). (Last location was A. & A.R. on 3/21/2023)(May be acted upon Jan 2024)

**Location:** 4/28/2023-A. 2 YEAR

Desk	2 year	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** Would require the Department of General Services, in consultation with the Chief of the Office of Information Security, to adopt rules and regulations, by January 1, 2025, to ensure that each unmanned aircraft and unmanned aircraft system used by a government entity, as defined, in part, to include local governmental entities, for any purpose meets appropriate safeguards to ensure the confidentiality, integrity, and availability of any data collected, transmitted, or stored by that unmanned aircraft or unmanned aircraft system, as specified; and to specify requirements for a comprehensive plan to be adopted by a government entity to discontinue the use of noncompliant aircraft and systems, as specified. This bill would, beginning on the date the department adopts the rules and regulations, authorize a government entity to use unmanned aircraft or unmanned aircraft systems it did not previously use only if that aircraft or system complies with those rules and regulations. The bill would, by July 1, 2025, require a government entity that uses a noncompliant aircraft or system to submit to the department a comprehensive plan for discontinuing its use, as specified.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - Seek Information	Priority 2		

**AB 756**

**(Papan D) Department of Transportation: contaminated stormwater runoff: salmon and steelhead trout bearing surface waters.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 3/2/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/13/2023

**Last Amend:** 3/2/2023

**Status:** 5/19/2023-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(5). (Last location was APPR. SUSPENSE FILE on 5/17/2023)(May be acted upon Jan 2024)

**Location:** 5/19/2023-A. 2 YEAR

Desk	Policy	2 year	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** Would require the Department of Transportation, in consultation with the State Water Resources Control Board, the Department of Toxic Substances Control, and the Department of Fish and Wildlife, to develop a programmatic environmental review process to prevent 6PPD and 6PPD-quinone from entering salmon and steelhead trout bearing surface waters of the state. The bill would require the department’s 6PPD and 6PPD-quinone programmatic environmental review process to include, among other specified components, a pilot project at a particular highway crossing over the San Mateo Creek to study the effectiveness and cost effectiveness of installing and maintaining bioretention and biofiltration comparatively along department rights-of-way to eliminate the discharge of 6PPD and 6PPD-quinone into surface waters of the state, as specified. The bill would require, no later than December 31, 2026, the Director of Transportation to submit a report to the Legislature describing the department’s strategy to eliminate the discharge of 6PPD and 6PPD-quinone by the department to all salmon and steelhead trout bearing surface waters of the state.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 2		

**AB 828**

**(Connolly D) Sustainable groundwater management: managed wetlands.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 4/17/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/13/2023

**Last Amend:** 4/17/2023

**Status:** 4/28/2023-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(2). (Last location was W.,P. & W. on 3/2/2023)(May be acted upon Jan 2024)

**Location:** 4/28/2023-A. 2 YEAR

Desk	2 year	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** The Sustainable Groundwater Management Act requires all groundwater basins designated as high- or medium-priority basins by the Department of Water Resources that are designated as basins subject to critical conditions of overdraft to be managed under a groundwater sustainability plan or coordinated groundwater sustainability plans by January 31, 2020, and requires all other groundwater basins designated as high- or medium-priority basins to be managed under a groundwater sustainability plan or coordinated groundwater sustainability plans by January 31, 2022, except as specified. Current law defines various terms for purposes of the act. This bill would add various defined terms for purposes of the act, including the term “managed wetland.”

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2

**AB 838**

**(Connolly D) California Water Affordability and Infrastructure Transparency Act of 2023.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 3/21/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/14/2023

**Last Amend:** 3/21/2023

**Status:** 5/19/2023-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(5). (Last location was APPR. SUSPENSE FILE on 4/19/2023)(May be acted upon Jan 2024)

**Location:** 5/19/2023-A. 2 YEAR

Desk	Policy	2 year	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered	
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**Summary:** The California Safe Drinking Water Act requires the State Water Resources Control Board to administer provisions relating to the regulation of drinking water to protect public health. Current law declares it to be the established policy of the state that every human being has the right to safe, clean, affordable, and accessible water adequate for human consumption, cooking, and sanitary purposes. The act prohibits a person from operating a public water system unless the person first submits an application to the state board and receives a permit to operate the system, as specified. The act requires a public water system to submit a technical report to the state board as a part of the permit application or when otherwise required by the state board, as specified, and to submit the report in the form and format and at intervals specified by the state board. This bill would require, beginning January 1, 2025, and thereafter at intervals determined by the state board, public water systems to provide specified information and data related to customer water bills and efforts to replace aging infrastructure to the state board.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 2	ACWA - O	CMUA - O

**AB 841**

**(Berman D) State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission: Industrial Heat Electrification Roadmap.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 7/6/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/14/2023

**Last Amend:** 7/6/2023

**Status:** 7/10/2023-In committee: Hearing postponed by committee. Withdrawn from committee. Re-referred to Com. on APPR.

**Location:** 7/10/2023-S. APPR.

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered	
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**Summary:** Would require the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission, on or before January 1, 2025, to submit to the Legislature an Industrial Heat Electrification Roadmap, which would, among other things, identify the industrial subsectors for various California facilities that use heat application equipment operating at or below 1,000 degrees Celsius and their locations and evaluate various issues related to industrial electrification, as specified. The bill would authorize the commission to consult with the State Air Resources Board to include in the roadmap an estimate of the reductions in emissions of greenhouse gases and criteria air pollutants, and commensurate health benefits, from electrifying the identified industrial subsectors.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 2		CMUA - F

**AB 859**

**(Gallagher R) Hunting: navigable waters.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 7/10/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/14/2023

**Last Amend:** 7/10/2023

**Status:** 7/10/2023-Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Com. on APPR.

**Location:** 7/3/2023-S. APPR.

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered	
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**Summary:** Current law makes it unlawful to enter land for the purpose of discharging a firearm or



taking or destroying any mammal or bird, including waterfowl, on that land, without having first obtained written permission from the owner, the owner's agent, or the person in lawful possession of that land, if either of the following applies: (1) the land belongs to, or is occupied by, another person and is either under cultivation or enclosed by a fence, or (2) there are signs forbidding trespass or hunting or both displayed at intervals not less than 3 to the mile along all exterior boundaries and at all roads and trails entering those lands, including land temporarily inundated by water flowing outside the established banks of a waterway. This bill would restrict the application of the provisions regarding land temporarily inundated by water flowing outside the established banks of a waterway to non-navigable waters. The bill would also state that these provisions do not restrict the public's right to use navigable waters for hunting, fishing, or other public purposes under the California Constitution. The bill would specify that for the purposes of these provisions navigable waters include seasonal flooding.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 2		

**AB 896**

**(Aguiar-Curry D) Flood control: City of Woodland: Lower Cache Creek.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 4/7/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/14/2023

**Last Amend:** 4/7/2023

**Status:** 5/19/2023-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(5). (Last location was APPR. SUSPENSE FILE on 5/10/2023)(May be acted upon Jan 2024)

**Location:** 5/19/2023-A. 2 YEAR

Desk	Policy	2 year	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** Current law authorizes a plan of improvement for flood control and water conservation on Cache Creek, including Clear Lake, in the Counties of Yolo and Lake. This bill would specifically adopt and approve the Lower Cache Creek Flood Risk Management Project, as provided. The bill would also authorize the state to provide funds, up to 99% of the costs, as specified, for the project for flood control on the Lower Cache Creek in the County of Yolo, and would authorize the City of Woodland to receive funds for these purposes under specified conditions. The bill would also authorize the state to authorize funding, upon appropriation by the Legislature, to be used for planning, engineering, designing, mitigation, and constructing the project if the Director of Water Resources makes specified findings.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 2		

**AB 900**

**(Bennett D) Aquifer recharge.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 4/12/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/14/2023

**Last Amend:** 4/12/2023

**Status:** 5/19/2023-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(5). (Last location was APPR. SUSPENSE FILE on 5/10/2023)(May be acted upon Jan 2024)

**Location:** 5/19/2023-A. 2 YEAR

Desk	Policy	2 year	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** Current law requires the Natural Resources Agency to update every 3 years the state's climate adaptation strategy, known as the Safeguarding California Plan, and to coordinate with other state agencies to identify vulnerabilities to climate change by sectors and priority actions needed to reduce the risks in those sectors. Current law requires, to address the vulnerabilities identified in the plan, state agencies to maximize specified objectives, including promoting the use of the plan to inform planning decisions and ensure that state investments consider climate change impacts, as well as promote the use of natural systems and natural infrastructure, when developing physical infrastructure to address adaptation. This bill would add aquifers as part of the meaning of natural infrastructure.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - Seek Information	Priority 2		

CMUA - F

**[AB 939](#)**

**(Pellerin D) Santa Clara Valley Water District.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 7/6/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/14/2023

**Last Amend:** 7/6/2023

**Status:** 7/10/2023-Read second time. Ordered to third reading.

**Location:** 7/6/2023-S. THIRD READING

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	<b>Floor</b>	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered	
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**Summary:** The Santa Clara Valley Water District Act creates the Santa Clara Valley Water District, and authorizes the district to provide for the conservation and management of flood, storm, and recycled waters, and other waters, for beneficial uses and to enhance natural resources in connection with carrying out the purposes of the district. The act authorizes the district to levy ad valorem taxes or assessments in the district to pay the general administrative costs and expenses of the district, to carry out the act's objects or purposes, and to pay the costs and expenses of constructing or extending works within the district. The act additionally authorizes the district to levy taxes or assessments upon all property or all real property within a portion of the district for specified purposes. The act authorizes the district to issue bonds for specified purposes, and requires that the bonds be paid by revenue derived from those tax levies and assessments, except the ad valorem taxes or assessments. This bill would additionally authorize the district to use the revenues from the ad valorem taxes or assessments to pay for the bonds.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 2	ACWA - F	CMUA - F

**[AB 998](#)**

**(Connolly D) Biomass energy facilities: State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission: report.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 6/26/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/15/2023

**Last Amend:** 6/26/2023

**Status:** 7/10/2023-In committee: Referred to APPR. suspense file.

**Location:** 7/10/2023-S. APPR. SUSPENSE FILE

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**Summary:** Would require the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission, on or before December 31, 2025, to issue a report on the utility-scale biomass combustion facilities still in operation as of January 1, 2024. The bill would require the report to include various assessments of biomass combustion facilities still in operation as of January 1, 2024, and options to maximize the environmental benefits of these facilities. The bill would also require the report to include a recommended strategy to upgrade biomass combustion facilities, where appropriate, that considers impacts on disadvantaged, rural, forested, and agricultural communities, impacts on the ability to maintain existing capacity for managing forest or other excess biomass, the cost of upgrading facilities and financing opportunities, impacts of upgrading biomass combustion facilities on the procurement costs of the energy produced and the associated impacts to ratepayer costs, and job creation or job loss that may result from the strategy. The bill would require the report to include recommendations related to baseload energy generation and managing excess biomass if biomass combustion facilities cease operation and strategies related to processing waste and job training in areas where biomass combustion facilities cease operation. The bill would require the commission to include in the report an evaluation of the practicality and cost-effectiveness of upgrading utility-scale biomass combustion facilities that ceased operation before January 1, 2024, to determine whether such facilities could help California increase its capacity to manage forest and other excess biomass.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 2	ACWA - F	

**[AB 1024](#)**

**(Aguiar-Curry D) Water rights: small irrigation use: lake or streambed alteration agreements.**

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**Location:** 6/27/2023-S. APPR.

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**Summary:** The Water Rights Permitting Reform Act of 1988 authorizes a person to obtain a right to appropriate water for a small domestic use, small irrigation use, or livestock stockpond use upon first registering the use, as those uses are defined by the act, with the State Water Resources Control Board and thereafter applying the water to reasonable and beneficial use with due diligence. The act requires the registration of water use to be made upon a form prescribed by the board that requires, among other things, a certification that the registrant has contacted a representative of the Department of Fish and Wildlife and has agreed to comply with conditions set forth by the department. The act requires the board to establish reasonable general conditions to which all appropriations made pursuant to the act are required to be subject, including, among other things, that all conditions lawfully required by the department are conditions upon the appropriations. The act provides that the board is not required to adopt general conditions for small irrigation use until the board determines that funds are available for that purpose, and that a registration for small irrigation use pursuant to the act is not authorized until the board establishes general conditions for small irrigation use to protect instream beneficial uses, as specified. This bill would require the board to give priority to adopting, on or before June 30, 2027, except as provided, general conditions that permit specified registrants to store water for small irrigation use during times of high streamflow in exchange for those registrants reducing diversions during periods of low streamflow, as specified.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 2		

**AB 1049 (Flora R) Protected species: incidental take: consistency determinations.**

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**Summary:** Current law provides that if any person obtains from the United States Secretary of the Interior or the United States Secretary of Commerce an incidental take statement or incidental take permit pursuant to the federal Endangered Species Act of 1973 that authorizes the taking of an endangered species or threatened species listed pursuant to the federal act that is an endangered species, threatened species, or candidate species pursuant to the California Endangered Species Act, no further authorization or approval is necessary under the California act for that person to take that species, if that person notifies the Director of Fish and Wildlife, as specified, and pays a permit application fee, and the director determines that the statement or permit is consistent with the California act. This bill would make a nonsubstantive change to this provision.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 2		

**AB 1072 (Wicks D) Water conservation and efficiency: low-income residential customers.**

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**Last Amend:** 4/25/2023

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**Location:** 5/19/2023-A. 2 YEAR

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**Summary:** Would declare the policy of the state that all residents have access to water conservation and efficiency programs. The bill would also set forth related findings including that reaching the state's environmental justice goals and commitments requires designing climate adaptation programs so that all households may participate.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 2		

**AB 1152 (Patterson, Joe R) Public agencies: causes of action: local planning and zoning: California Environmental Quality Act.****Current Text:** Amended: 4/4/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)**Introduced:** 2/16/2023**Last Amend:** 4/4/2023**Status:** 4/28/2023-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(2). (Last location was L. GOV. on 4/10/2023) (May be acted upon Jan 2024)**Location:** 4/28/2023-A. 2 YEAR

Desk	2 year	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** The Planning and Zoning law generally requires that an action or proceeding challenging specified decisions of a public agency be commenced, and service made on the legislative body of the agency, within 90 days after the legislative body's decision. This bill would stay any timing requirements associated with conditions of approval identified in a local zoning and planning decision during a lawsuit challenging a city, county, or city and county's zoning and planning decision.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 2		

**AB 1182 (Petrie-Norris D) Energy: Decarbonization Funding Plan.****Current Text:** Amended: 6/20/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)**Introduced:** 2/16/2023**Last Amend:** 6/20/2023**Status:** 6/26/2023-From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on APPR. (Ayes 10. Noes 3.) (June 26). Re-referred to Com. on APPR.**Location:** 6/26/2023-S. APPR.

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**Summary:** The California Climate Crisis Act declares that it is the policy of the state both to achieve net-zero greenhouse gas emissions as soon as possible, but no later than 2045, and achieve and maintain net-negative greenhouse gas emissions thereafter, and to ensure that by 2045, statewide anthropogenic greenhouse gas emissions are reduced to at least 85% below the 1990 levels. This bill would require the Department of Finance, in conjunction with the Governor's Budget, to submit a decarbonization funding plan (plan) to the Joint Legislative Committee on Climate Change and to post the plan on its internet website. The bill would require the plan to, among other things, identify decarbonization opportunities to help the state reach its targets to reduce the effects of climate change and set out priorities for funding, suggest efficiencies distributing decarbonization funds, including expediting the application and award process, and provide recommendations on how to effectively align state decarbonization incentives and allocated general fund moneys with federal funds from the Inflation Reduction Act of 2022 and the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act. The bill would require, by July 1, 2024, the department to establish an internet web portal for purposes of identifying decarbonization funding opportunities with specified information. The bill would require GO-Biz to post a link to the internet web portal on its internet website.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 2		
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**AB 1195 (Calderon D) Climate Change Preparedness, Resiliency, and Jobs for Communities Program: climate-beneficial projects: grant funding.****Current Text:** Amended: 3/29/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)**Introduced:** 2/16/2023**Last Amend:** 3/29/2023**Status:** 5/19/2023-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(5). (Last location was APPR. SUSPENSE FILE on 4/19/2023)(May be acted upon Jan 2024)**Location:** 5/19/2023-A. 2 YEAR

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**Summary:** Would establish the Climate Change Preparedness, Resiliency, and Jobs for Communities Program, to be administered by the Strategic Growth Council, and would require the council to fund

grants to develop and implement multibenefit, community-level, climate-beneficial projects to support community and landscape resiliency and workforce development. The bill would require the council to award competitive grants to eligible entities, as defined, through an application process, as provided. The bill would require the council, on or before July 1, 2024, to develop guidelines to implement the program and criteria to select projects eligible for grant funding that include, at a minimum, specified information related to community resiliency grants, landscape resiliency grants, and climate and career pathways grants.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 2		

**[AB 1196](#) (Villapudua D) Water Quality, Supply, and Infrastructure Improvement Act of 2014.**

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**Introduced:** 2/16/2023

**Status:** 5/5/2023-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(3). (Last location was PRINT on 2/16/2023) (May be acted upon Jan 2024)

**Location:** 5/5/2023-A. 2 YEAR

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**Summary:** The Water Quality, Supply, and Infrastructure Improvement Act of 2014, a bond act approved by the voters as Proposition 1 at the November 4, 2014, statewide general election, authorizes the issuance of general obligation bonds to finance a water quality, supply, and infrastructure improvement program, as specified. Under the bond act, \$520,000,000 is available, upon appropriation by the Legislature, for expenditures, grants, and loans for projects that improve water quality or help provide clean, safe, and reliable drinking water to all Californians. Current law requires projects eligible for this funding to help improve water quality for a beneficial use. This bill would make a nonsubstantive change to the latter provision.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 2		

**[AB 1211](#) (Mathis R) Safe Drinking Water State Revolving Fund: internet website information: updates.**

**Current Text:** Introduced: 2/16/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/16/2023

**Status:** 7/14/2023-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(10). (Last location was E.Q. on 5/10/2023) (May be acted upon Jan 2024)

**Location:** 7/14/2023-S. 2 YEAR

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**Summary:** The Safe Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Law of 1997, administered by the State Water Resources Control Board, establishes the Safe Drinking Water State Revolving Fund to provide grants or revolving fund loans for the design and construction of projects for public water systems that will enable those systems to meet safe drinking water standards. Current law requires the board, at least once every 2 years, to post information on its internet website regarding implementation of the Safe Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Law and expenditures from the Safe Drinking Water State Revolving Fund, as specified This bill would require the board to post the information at least annually.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 2		

**[AB 1224](#) (Bryan D) Workforce development: green jobs survey.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 3/16/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/16/2023

**Last Amend:** 3/16/2023

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**Summary:** Current law establishes the California Workforce Development Board, formerly named the California Workforce Investment Board, as the body responsible for assisting the Governor in the development, oversight, and continuous improvement of California's workforce investment system and the alignment of the education and workforce investment systems to the needs of the 21st century economy and workforce. Current law requires the board to establish a committee known as the Green Collar Jobs Council to, among other things, consult with other state agencies, higher education representatives, local workforce investment boards, industry representatives, and specified others in the development of a strategic initiative relating to the training and development of a skilled workforce to meet the needs of California's emerging green economy. This bill would require the Labor Market Information Division of the Employment Development Department to conduct, upon appropriation by the Legislature, a green jobs survey, as specified, to gather information about statewide green job industry strengths. The bill would require the division to create a standard operating definition of "green job" based on the results of the survey for the purpose of employment in California, as described. The bill would require the California Workforce Development Board to incorporate the survey's findings into education outreach, as specified, and would require the Workforce Services Branch of the Employment Development Department to incorporate the survey's findings into appropriate communications or educational materials relating to job opportunities for persons seeking employment.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 2		

**AB 1358 (Muratsuchi D) Renewable energy generation: transmission planning: report.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 4/6/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/17/2023

**Last Amend:** 4/6/2023

**Status:** 5/19/2023-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(5). (Last location was APPR. SUSPENSE FILE on 5/17/2023)(May be acted upon Jan 2024)

**Location:** 5/19/2023-A. 2 YEAR

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**Summary:** Current law establishes a policy of the state that eligible renewable energy resources and zero-carbon resources supply 90% of all retail sales of electricity to California end-use customers by December 31, 2035, 95% of all retail sales of electricity to California end-use customers by December 31, 2040, 100% of all retail sales of electricity to California end-use customers by December 31, 2045, and 100% of electricity procured to serve all state agencies by December 31, 2035. Current law requires the PUC, State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission, and State Air Resources Board to issue a joint report to the Legislature by January 1, 2021, and at least every 4 years thereafter, that includes, among other things, a review of this policy and the barriers to, and benefits of, achieving the policy. This bill would require those entities to also include in the joint report a statewide transmission plan to facilitate the timely attainment of the policy and the targets of the California Renewables Portfolio Standard Program, as specified.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 2		

**AB 1364 (Carrillo, Juan D) Fish and wildlife protection and conservation: lake or streambed alterations.**

**Current Text:** Introduced: 2/17/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

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**Summary:** Current law prohibits an entity from substantially diverting or obstructing the natural flow of, or substantially changing or using any material from the bed, channel, or bank of, any river, stream, or lake, or from depositing or disposing of certain material where it may pass into any river, stream, or lake, without first notifying the Department of Fish and Wildlife of that activity, and entering into a lake or streambed alteration agreement if required by the department to protect fish and wildlife resources,

except as specified. This bill would make nonsubstantive changes to these provisions.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 2		

**AB 1374 (Alvarez D) Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund: investment plan.**

**Current Text:** Introduced: 2/17/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/17/2023

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**Location:** 4/28/2023-A. 2 YEAR

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**Summary:** The California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006 authorizes the State Air Resources Board to include the use of market-based compliance mechanisms. Current law requires all moneys, except for fines and penalties, collected by the state board as part of a market-based compliance mechanism to be deposited in the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund and to be available upon appropriation. Current law requires the Department of Finance, in consultation with the state board and any other relevant state agency, to develop, as specified, a 3-year investment plan for the moneys deposited in the fund. Current law requires the investment plan to allocate, among other things, a minimum of 25% of the available moneys in the fund to projects located within, and benefiting individuals living in, disadvantaged communities and an additional minimum of 5% to projects that benefit low-income households or to projects located within, and benefiting individuals living in, low-income communities located anywhere in the state. This bill would increase those amounts from 25% to 50% and from 5% to 15%.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 2		

**AB 1441 (Boerner D) Electricity: electrical corporation procurement plans: resource portfolio.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 3/16/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/17/2023

**Last Amend:** 3/16/2023

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**Summary:** Current law requires the Public Utilities Commission to identify a diverse and balanced portfolio of resources needed to ensure a reliable electricity supply that provides optimal integration of renewable energy in a cost-effective manner. Current law requires the portfolio to rely upon zero-carbon-emitting resources to the maximum extent reasonable and be designed to achieve the statewide greenhouse gas emissions limit. This bill would specify that a diverse and balanced portfolio of resources includes an appropriate mix of renewable capacity, including peaking, dispatchable, baseload, firm, and as-available capacity.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 2		

**AB 1469 (Kalra D) Santa Clara Valley Water District.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 7/10/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/17/2023

**Last Amend:** 7/10/2023

**Status:** 7/11/2023-Re-referred to Com. on APPR pursuant to Joint Rule 10.5.

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**Summary:** The Santa Clara Valley Water District Act creates the Santa Clara Valley Water District, and

authorizes the district to provide for the conservation and management of flood, storm, and recycled waters, and other waters, for beneficial uses and to enhance natural resources in connection with carrying out the purposes of the district. This bill would additionally authorize the district to take certain actions in order to assist unsheltered people living along streams, in riparian corridors, or otherwise within the district's jurisdiction, in consultation with a city or the County of Santa Clara to provide solutions or improve outcomes for the unsheltered individuals. The bill would require the district to provide a report to the appropriate committees of the Legislature on or before July 1, 2029, and a subsequent report on or before July 1, 2034, containing specified information, including, among other things, the district's actions taken to assist unsheltered people.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 2	ACWA - F	CMUA - F

**AB 1488 (Wallis R) California Environmental Quality Act: environmental leadership development projects: water storage, water conveyance, and groundwater recharge projects: streamlined review.**

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**Introduced:** 2/17/2023

**Last Amend:** 3/23/2023

**Status:** 4/28/2023-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(2). (Last location was NAT. RES. on 3/9/2023)(May be acted upon Jan 2024)

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**Summary:** The Jobs and Economic Improvement Through Environmental Leadership Act of 2021 authorizes the Governor, until January 1, 2024, to certify environmental leadership development projects that meet specified requirements for certain streamlining benefits related to CEQA. The act, among other things, requires a lead agency to prepare the record of proceedings for an environmental leadership development project, as provided, and to include a specified notice in the draft EIR and final EIR. The act is repealed by its own term on January 1, 2026. This bill would extend the application of the act to water storage projects, water conveyance projects, and groundwater recharge projects that provide public benefits and drought preparedness. The bill would authorize the Governor, until January 1, 2025, to certify water storage projects, water conveyance projects, and groundwater recharge projects as environmental leadership development projects. The bill would make other conforming changes. Because a lead agency would be required to prepare the record of proceedings for water storage projects, water conveyance projects, and groundwater recharge projects pursuant to the act, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 2		

**AB 1491 (Grayson D) California Environmental Quality Act: master environmental impact report.**

**Current Text:** Introduced: 2/17/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

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**Summary:** The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) requires a lead agency, as defined, to prepare, or cause to be prepared, and certify the completion of an environmental impact report on a project that it proposes to carry out or approve that may have a significant effect on the environment or to adopt a negative declaration if it finds that the project will not have that effect. CEQA also requires a lead agency to prepare a mitigated negative declaration for a project that may have a significant effect on the environment if revisions in the project would avoid or mitigate that effect and there is no substantial evidence that the project, as revised, would have a significant effect on the environment. This bill would make nonsubstantive changes to the above provision. This bill contains other existing laws.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 2		



**AB 1535 (Mathis R) The Energy, Environment, and Economy Council.**

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**Introduced:** 2/17/2023

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**Summary:** Would create the Energy, Environment, and Economy Council with 16 members, as specified. The bill would require the council to engage with stakeholders, subject matter experts, and state and local agencies with jurisdiction relevant to environmental protection and economic vitality in order to determine the policies that can be implemented to meet the state’s environmental goals, while avoiding harm to the state’s economy and maintaining specified protections. The bill would require the council, by July 1, 2024, to submit a report to the Legislature that makes recommendations on appropriate policies to achieve the above-stated environmental goals and policies, while maintaining specified protections, ensuring consumer choice is not compromised, and avoiding harm to the state’s economy.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 2		

**AB 1538 (Muratsuchi D) Clean Energy Reliability Program.**

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**Introduced:** 2/17/2023

**Last Amend:** 4/17/2023

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**Summary:** Current law requires the Public Utilities Commission, in consultation with the Independent System Operator, to establish resource adequacy requirements for all load-serving entities. Current law requires the commission, in establishing those resource adequacy requirements, to ensure the reliability of electrical service in California while advancing, to the extent possible, the state’s goals for clean energy, reducing air pollution, and reducing emissions of greenhouse gases. This bill would establish the Clean Energy Reliability Program, to be administered by the commission, upon appropriation, to provide incentive payments to qualifying load-serving entities that exceed procurement targets for eligible resources established by the commission, as specified. The bill would require a load-serving entity to remit incentive payments to its customers as a bill credit or use the payment in a manner determined by the commission to reduce ratepayer costs arising from the additional procurement of eligible resources. The bill would require a load-serving entity to meet specified conditions to be eligible for an incentive payment.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 2		

**AB 1572 (Friedman D) Potable water: nonfunctional turf.**

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**Last Amend:** 7/10/2023

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**Summary:** (1)Current law establishes various state water policies, including the policy that the use of water for domestic purposes is the highest use of water.This bill would make legislative findings and declarations concerning water use, including that the use of potable water to irrigate nonfunctional turf is wasteful and incompatible with state policy relating to climate change, water conservation, and reduced reliance on the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta ecosystem. The bill would direct all appropriate

state agencies to encourage and support the elimination of irrigation of nonfunctional turf with potable water. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 2		
			ACWA - W/A	CMUA - O/A

**AB 1573 (Friedman D) Water conservation: landscape design: model ordinance.**

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**Summary:** The Water Conservation in Landscaping Act provides for a Model Water Efficient Landscape Ordinance that is adopted and updated at least every 3 years by the Department of Water Resources, unless the department makes a specified finding. This bill would require the updated model ordinance to include provisions that require that plants included in a landscape design plan be selected based on their adaptability to climatic, geological, and topographical conditions of the project site, as specified. The bill would also exempt landscaping that is part of ecological restoration projects that do not require a permanent irrigation system, mined-land reclamation projects that do not require a permanent irrigation system, and existing plant collections, as part of botanical gardens and arboretums open to the public, from the model ordinance. The bill would require the updated model ordinance to include provisions that require that all new or renovated nonresidential areas install plants that meet specified criteria, and that prohibit the inclusion of nonfunctional turf in nonresidential landscape projects after January 1, 2026. The bill would make other clarifying changes to the updated model ordinance. The bill would require the department, no later than July 1, 2024, to convene a working group composed of a broad range of stakeholders with expertise in horticulture and native plants, as specified, to develop a strategic plan with measurable milestones to, by January 1, 2035, reach a target that all new and renovated nonresidential areas install in the project footprint not less than 75% native plants.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 2		
			ACWA - NF/A	CMUA - NF/A

**AB 1581 (Kalra D) Diversion or obstruction of rivers, streams, or lakes: lake or streambed alteration agreement.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 4/7/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/17/2023

**Last Amend:** 4/7/2023

**Status:** 7/14/2023-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(10). (Last location was N.R. & W. on 6/14/2023)(May be acted upon Jan 2024)

**Location:** 7/14/2023-S. 2 YEAR

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	2 year	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
1st House				2nd House							

**Summary:** Would exempt certain individuals, public agencies, universities, zoological gardens, and scientific or educational institutions authorized to import, export, take, or possess any endangered species, threatened species, or candidate species for scientific, educational, or management purposes from the requirement to obtain an agreement with the department, as specified. The bill would instead require these entities to submit to the department a written notification, fee, and, if applicable, a copy of proposed environmental protection measures authorized by other agencies' programmatic habitat restoration permits, as specified. The bill would require the department to notify the entity in writing whether the exemption applies within 60 days from the date that the notification is complete and the fee has been paid. Because a violation of this provision would be a crime, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 2		

**AB 1611 (Lowenthal D) Fish and Game Code: violations.**

**Current Text:** Enrolled: 7/14/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/17/2023

**Last Amend:** 3/9/2023

**Status:** 7/13/2023-Read third time. Passed. Ordered to the Assembly. (Ayes 37. Noes 0.). In Assembly. Ordered to Engrossing and Enrolling.

**Location:** 7/13/2023-A. ENROLLMENT

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	<b>Enrolled</b>	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** Current law generally makes any violation of the Fish and Game Code or any rule, regulation, or order made or adopted under the code a misdemeanor. Current law makes a violation of specified regulations and provisions of the code an infraction or a misdemeanor. This bill would make the violation of specified regulations and provisions of the code, primarily relating to commercial fishing, an infraction or a misdemeanor.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 2		

**AB 1613 (Bains D) Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta: Salinity Intrusion in the Delta Act.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 3/16/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/17/2023

**Last Amend:** 3/16/2023

**Status:** 4/28/2023-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(2). (Last location was W.,P. & W. on 3/16/2023)(May be acted upon Jan 2024)

**Location:** 4/28/2023-A. 2 YEAR

Desk	<b>2 year</b>	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** Would enact the Salinity Intrusion in the Delta Act. The act would require the Department of Water Resources to identify strategic locations in the Sacramento-San Joaquin River Delta where barriers could be constructed to combat salinity intrusion that would reduce the need to contaminate fresh water. The bill would require the department to, at a minimum, identify strategic locations in specified areas. The bill would require the department to consult with the State Water Resources Control Board, the Department of Fish and Wildlife, the federal Bureau of Reclamation, and the United States Fish and Wildlife Service in carrying out these provisions.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 2		

**AB 1623 (Muratsuchi D) Electricity: resource adequacy requirements: energy storage.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 5/1/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/17/2023

**Last Amend:** 5/1/2023

**Status:** 5/19/2023-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(5). (Last location was APPR. SUSPENSE FILE on 5/17/2023)(May be acted upon Jan 2024)

**Location:** 5/19/2023-A. 2 YEAR

Desk	Policy	<b>2 year</b>	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** Current law requires the Public Utilities Commission, in consultation with the Independent System Operator, to establish resource adequacy requirements for all load-serving entities, as defined. In establishing the resource adequacy requirements, existing law requires the commission to ensure the reliability of electrical service in the state while advancing, to the extent possible, the state's goals for clean energy, reducing air pollution, and reducing emissions of greenhouse gases. Current law requires that the resource adequacy program achieve specified objectives. This bill would require the commission, or before June 30, 2024, to submit to the Legislature a report assessing the regulatory barriers, if any, to the rapid deployment of energy storage resources in California, as specified.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 2		

**AB 1629 (Flora R) Endangered species: locally designed voluntary programs.**

**Current Text:** Introduced: 2/17/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/17/2023

**Status:** 5/5/2023-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(3). (Last location was PRINT on 2/17/2023) (May be acted upon Jan 2024)

**Location:** 5/5/2023-A. 2 YEAR

<b>2 year</b>	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** Existing law requires the Department of Fish and Game, in cooperation with the Department of Food and Agriculture and specified persons, to adopt regulations that authorize locally designed voluntary programs for routine and ongoing agricultural activities on farms or ranches that encourage habitat for candidate, threatened, and endangered species, and wildlife generally. Existing law requires these authorized programs to, among other things, be supported by the best available scientific information for both agricultural and conservation practices. Existing law requires the department to, every 5 years, post a report regarding the effect of these programs on the department’s internet website. This bill would make nonsubstantive changes to the above-described provision. This bill contains other existing laws.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 2		

**AB 1631 (Schiavo D) Water resources: permit to appropriate: application procedure: mining use.**

**Current Text:** Introduced: 2/17/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/17/2023

**Status:** 7/11/2023-From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on APPR. (Ayes 7. Noes 0.) (July 10). Re-referred to Com. on APPR.

**Location:** 7/10/2023-S. APPR.

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	<b>Fiscal</b>	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** Under existing law, the State Water Resources Control Board administers a water rights program pursuant to which the board grants permits and licenses to appropriate water. Existing law requires an application for a permit to appropriate water to include, among other things, sufficient information to demonstrate a reasonable likelihood that unappropriated water is available for the proposed appropriation. Existing law requires the board to issue and deliver a notice of an application as soon as practicable after the receipt of an application for a permit to appropriate water that conforms to the law. Existing law allows interested persons to file a written protest with regard to an application to appropriate water and requires the protestant to set forth the objections to the application. Existing law declares that no hearing is necessary to issue a permit in connection with an unprotested application, or if the undisputed facts support the issuance of the permit and there is no disputed issue of material fact, unless the board elects to hold a hearing. This bill, if the board has not rendered a final determination on an application for a permit to appropriate water for a beneficial use or uses that include mining use within 30 years from the date the application was filed, would require the board to issue a new notice and provide an opportunity for protests before rendering a final determination, with specified exceptions.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 2		CMUA - W

**AB 1648 (Bains D) Water: Colorado River conservation.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 3/16/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/17/2023

**Last Amend:** 3/16/2023

**Status:** 4/28/2023-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(2). (Last location was W.,P. & W. on 3/16/2023)(May be acted upon Jan 2024)

**Location:** 4/28/2023-A. 2 YEAR

Desk	<b>2 year</b>	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** Would prohibit the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California and the Department of Water and Power of the City of Los Angeles from achieving a reduction in, or conservation of, Colorado River water consumption required by an agreement with specified entities through increased water

deliveries or imports from other regions of California, including the San Joaquin Valley and the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta. The bill would require the Colorado River Board of California, the Department of Water Resources, and the State Water Resources Control Board to use their existing authority to enforce these provisions. The bill would specify that these provisions apply retroactively to January 1, 2023, and apply to any agreement entered into on or after that date.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 2		

**AB 1681** (Bryan D) Environmental justice.

**Current Text:** Introduced: 2/17/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/17/2023

**Status:** 5/5/2023-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(3). (Last location was PRINT on 2/17/2023) (May be acted upon Jan 2024)

**Location:** 5/5/2023-A. 2 YEAR

2 year	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** Existing law requires the California Environmental Protection Agency to develop a model environmental justice mission statement for boards, departments, and offices within the agency, and defines environmental justice for these purposes. This bill would provide that it is the intent of the Legislature to enact subsequent legislation relating to environmental justice.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 2		

**AB 1689** (Grayson D) Greenhouse gases: built environment: decarbonization.

**Current Text:** Introduced: 2/17/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/17/2023

**Status:** 5/5/2023-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(3). (Last location was PRINT on 2/17/2023) (May be acted upon Jan 2024)

**Location:** 5/5/2023-A. 2 YEAR

2 year	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** The California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006 requires the State Air Resources Board to adopt rules and regulations to achieve the maximum technologically feasible and cost-effective greenhouse gas emissions reductions and to ensure that statewide greenhouse gas emissions are reduced to at least 40% below the statewide greenhouse gas emissions limit no later than December 31, 2030. This bill would express the intent of the Legislature to enact subsequent legislation that would further support California's efforts to decarbonize the built environment.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 2		

**AB 1717** (Muratsuchi D) Independent System Operator.

**Current Text:** Introduced: 2/17/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/17/2023

**Status:** 5/5/2023-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(3). (Last location was PRINT on 2/17/2023) (May be acted upon Jan 2024)

**Location:** 5/5/2023-A. 2 YEAR

2 year	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** Current law establishes an Independent System Operator (ISO) as a nonprofit public benefit corporation, and requires the ISO to ensure the efficient use and reliable operation of the electrical transmission grid consistent with the achievement of planning and operating reserve criteria, as specified. This bill would make nonsubstantive changes to that requirement.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2

**AB 1732 (Muratsuchi D) California Environmental Protection Program.**

**Current Text:** Introduced: 2/17/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/17/2023

**Status:** 5/5/2023-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(3). (Last location was PRINT on 2/17/2023)  
(May be acted upon Jan 2024)

**Location:** 5/5/2023-A. 2 YEAR

<b>2 year</b>	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** Current law establishes the California Environmental Protection Program for the preservation and protection of California's environment and requires the Secretary of the Natural Resources Agency to administer the program. This bill would make a nonsubstantive change to the administration of the program.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 2		

**AB 1736 (Carrillo, Juan D) Water replenishment districts: competitive bidding.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 3/9/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/17/2023

**Last Amend:** 3/9/2023

**Status:** 6/8/2023-Read second time. Ordered to third reading.

**Location:** 6/8/2023-S. THIRD READING

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	<b>Floor</b>	Conf.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** The Water Replenishment District Act provides for the formation of a water replenishment district, governed by a board, with prescribed powers for the purposes of replenishing the groundwater supplies within the district. Current law requires a district to provide notice of a contract for any improvement or work, as specified. Current law authorizes a board to let the work to the lowest responsible bidder, reject the bids and readvertise for proposals, or proceed to construct the work under its own superintendence. This bill would also authorize a board to negotiate a contract for the work if no bids are received.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 2		

**SB 23 (Caballero D) Water supply and flood risk reduction projects: expedited permitting.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 5/1/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 12/5/2022

**Last Amend:** 5/1/2023

**Status:** 5/19/2023-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(5). (Last location was APPR. SUSPENSE FILE on 5/15/2023)(May be acted upon Jan 2024)

**Location:** 5/19/2023-S. 2 YEAR

Desk	Policy	<b>2 year</b>	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** Current law prohibits an entity from substantially diverting or obstructing the natural flow of, or substantially changing or using any material from the bed, channel, or bank of, any river, stream, or lake, or deposit or dispose of debris, waste, or other material containing crumbled, flaked, or ground pavement where it may pass into any river, stream, or lake, except under specified conditions, including requiring the entity to send written notification to the Department of Fish and Wildlife regarding the activity in the manner prescribed by the department. This bill would require a project proponent, if already required to submit a notification to the department, to submit to the department the certified or adopted environmental review document, as applicable, for the activity in the notification. The bill would require the department, under prescribed circumstances, to take certain actions within specified timelines, or within a mutually agreed-to extension of time.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2

**SB 56**

**(Skinner D) Load-serving entities: integrated resource plans.**

**Current Text:** Introduced: 12/7/2022 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 12/7/2022

**Status:** 1/18/2023-Referred to Com. on RLS.

**Location:** 12/7/2022-S. RLS.

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** Current law requires the Public Utilities Commission to adopt a process for each load-serving entity, defined to include electrical corporations, electric service providers, and community choice aggregators, to file an integrated resource plan and a schedule for periodic updates to the plan to ensure that it meets, among other things, the state’s targets for reducing emissions of greenhouse gases and the requirement to procure at least 60% of its electricity from eligible renewable energy resources by December 31, 2030. Current law additionally requires the integrated resource plan to contribute to a diverse and balanced portfolio of resources needed to ensure a reliable supply of electricity that provides optimal integration of renewable energy resources in a cost-effective manner, meets the state’s targets for reducing emissions of greenhouse gases, and prevents cost shifting among load-serving entities. This bill would make a nonsubstantive change to the latter provision.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 2		

**SB 57**

**(Gonzalez D) Utilities: disconnection of residential service.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 3/15/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 12/16/2022

**Last Amend:** 3/15/2023

**Status:** 4/28/2023-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(2). (Last location was E. U., & C. on 3/22/2023)(May be acted upon Jan 2024)

**Location:** 4/28/2023-S. 2 YEAR

Desk	2 year	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** Would require an electrical corporation, local publicly owned electric utility, gas corporation, local publicly owned gas utility, water corporation, or local agency that owns a public water system to postpone the disconnection of a customer’s residential service for nonpayment of a delinquent account when the temperature will be 32 degrees Fahrenheit or cooler, or 95 degrees Fahrenheit or warmer, within the utility’s service area during the 24 hours after that service disconnection would occur, as specified. The bill would require each of those utilities to notify its residential ratepayers of that requirement and to create an online reporting system available through its internet website, if it has one, that enables its residential ratepayers to report when their utility service has been disconnected in violation of that requirement, as specified. The bill would require the PUC to establish a citation program to impose a penalty on an electrical corporation or gas corporation that violates that requirement, and require each local publicly owned electric utility and local publicly owned gas utility to annually report to the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission the number of residential service connections it disconnected for nonpayment of a delinquent account. The bill would authorize the State Water Resources Control Board to enforce the requirement that a water corporation and local agency that owns a public water system postpone a disconnection of a customer’s residential service, as specified.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 2		
			ACWA - O	CMUA - O/A

**SB 66**

**(Hurtado D) Water Quality, Supply, and Infrastructure Improvement Act of 2014: Drinking Water Capital Reserve Fund: administration.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 3/21/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 1/5/2023

**Last Amend:** 3/21/2023

**Status:** 4/28/2023-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(2). (Last location was E.Q. on 3/29/2023)

(May be acted upon Jan 2024)

**Location:** 4/28/2023-S. 2 YEAR

Desk	2 year	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** The Water Quality, Supply, and Infrastructure Improvement Act of 2014 bond act provides that the sum of \$260,000,000 is to be available for grants and loans for public water system infrastructure improvements and related actions to meet safe drinking water standards, ensure affordable drinking water, or both, as specified. Current law requires the State Water Resources Control Board to deposit up to \$2,500,000 of the \$260,000,000 into the Drinking Water Capital Reserve Fund, to be available upon appropriation by the Legislature. Current law requires the state board to administer the Drinking Water Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of serving as matching funds for disadvantaged communities and requires the state board to develop criteria to implement this provision. This bill would require the state board to provide an analysis of the criteria to implement that provision to the Senate Committee on Natural Resources and Water and Assembly Committee on Water, Parks, and Wildlife on January 1, 2025, and every 2 years thereafter.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 2		

**SB 224**

**(Hurtado D) Agricultural land: foreign ownership and interests: foreign governments.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 4/13/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 1/19/2023

**Last Amend:** 4/13/2023

**Status:** 5/18/2023-May 18 hearing: Held in committee and under submission.

**Location:** 5/1/2023-S. APPR. SUSPENSE FILE

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** Would prohibit a foreign government from purchasing, acquiring, leasing, or holding a controlling interest, as defined, in agricultural land within the State of California. The bill would exempt land held by foreign governments before January 1, 2024, from that prohibition. The bill would provide that land transferred in violation of these provisions would be subject to divestiture, as specified.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 2		

**SB 262**

**(Hurtado D) California Farmworkers Drought and Flood Resilience Pilot Project.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 4/20/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 1/30/2023

**Last Amend:** 4/20/2023

**Status:** 5/19/2023-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(5). (Last location was APPR. SUSPENSE FILE on 5/1/2023)(May be acted upon Jan 2024)

**Location:** 5/19/2023-S. 2 YEAR

Desk	Policy	2 year	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** Current law establishes the State Department of Social Services and requires the department to administer various public social services programs, including the California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids (CalWORKs) program, under which each county provides cash assistance and other benefits to qualified low-income families and individuals, and the CalFresh program, under which supplemental nutrition assistance benefits allocated to the state by the federal government are distributed to eligible individuals by each county. This bill would require the department, subject to an appropriation by the Legislature, to administer the California Farmworkers Drought and Flood Resilience Pilot Project to provide supplemental pay in the form of cash assistance for eligible households to help meet their basic needs. The bill would define eligible household to mean a household in which one member of the household is a farmworker, as specified, and would define supplemental pay to mean unconditional cash payments of equal amounts issued monthly to eligible households with the intention of ensuring the economic security of those households.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 2		



**SB 286 (McGuire D) Offshore wind energy projects.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 6/28/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/2/2023

**Last Amend:** 6/28/2023

**Status:** 7/13/2023-From committee: Do pass as amended and re-refer to Com. on APPR. (Ayes 14. Noes 0.) (July 12).

**Location:** 7/12/2023-A. APPR.

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** Would require the California Coastal Commission to process a consolidated coastal development permit for any new development that requires a coastal development permit and that is associated with, appurtenant to, or necessary for the construction and operation of offshore wind energy projects and transmission facilities needed for those projects, as specified. The bill would require the commission to forward an application for a consolidated coastal development permit to local governmental agencies having land use and related jurisdiction in the area in which the project would occur and would require those local governmental agencies to review and comment on the application, as provided. By imposing new duties on local governmental agencies, the bill would create a state-mandated local program.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 2		

**SB 315 (Hurtado D) Groundwater: groundwater sustainability agencies: probationary basins.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 4/20/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/6/2023

**Last Amend:** 4/20/2023

**Status:** 5/19/2023-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(5). (Last location was APPR. SUSPENSE FILE on 5/1/2023)(May be acted upon Jan 2024)

**Location:** 5/19/2023-S. 2 YEAR

Desk	Policy	2 year	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** The Sustainable Groundwater Management Act authorizes the State Water Resources Control Board to designate specified basins as probationary basins if certain conditions are met, including, but not limited to, that the Department of Water Resources, in consultation with the board, determines that a groundwater sustainability plan is inadequate or that the groundwater sustainability program is not being implemented in a manner that will likely achieve the sustainability goal. Current law requires the board, if it designates a basin as a probationary basin pursuant to specified conditions, to identify the specific deficiencies and potential remedies. Current law authorizes the board to request the department, within 90 days of the designation, to provide technical recommendations to local agencies to remedy the deficiencies and to develop an interim plan for the probationary basin one year after the designation, as specified. This bill would require any groundwater sustainability agency that hires a third-party consulting firm to ensure that the integrity of the science being used to develop a groundwater sustainability plan is protected and the data is not sold. The bill would delete the authorizations for the board to request technical recommendations from the department. The bill would additionally place various requirements on the board in working with a groundwater sustainability agency, including, among other things, requiring the board to provide clear benchmarks and guidance for groundwater sustainability agencies to improve their groundwater management plans.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 2		

**SB 319 (McGuire D) Electricity: transmission planning.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 5/3/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/6/2023

**Last Amend:** 5/3/2023

**Status:** 7/13/2023-From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on APPR. with recommendation: To consent calendar. (Ayes 14. Noes 0.) (July 12). Re-referred to Com. on APPR.

**Location:** 7/12/2023-A. APPR.

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** On December 23, 2022, the Public Utilities Commission (PUC), State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission (Energy Commission), and Independent System Operator entered into a memorandum of understanding related to resource and transmission planning, transmission development and permitting, procurement, and interconnections in order to achieve reliability and policy needs and to coordinate the timely development of resources, resource interconnections, and needed transmission infrastructure. This bill would require the Energy Commission and PUC, in coordination with the Independent System Operator, every 5 years, to review the memorandum of understanding and a related workplan to ensure the memorandum and workplan reflect the coordination that is needed to help meet the state's energy goals.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 2		CMUA - W

**SB 337 (Min D) Environmental protection: lands and coastal waters conservation goal.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 4/20/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

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**Last Amend:** 4/20/2023

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**Summary:** Current law requires the Secretary of the Natural Resources Agency to prepare and submit, on or before March 31, 2024, and annually thereafter, a report to the Legislature on the progress made in the prior calendar year toward achieving the goal to conserve 30% of California's lands and coastal waters by 2030. This bill would provide that it is the goal of the state to conserve at least 30% of California's lands and coastal waters by 2030.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 2		

**SB 361 (Dodd D) Water resources: stream gages.**

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**Summary:** Current law requires the Department of Water Resources and the State Water Resources Control Board, in consultation with the Department of Fish and Wildlife, the Department of Conservation, the Central Valley Flood Protection Board, interested stakeholders, and, to the extent they wish to consult, local agencies, to develop the plan to address significant gaps in information necessary for water management and the conservation of freshwater species. This bill would require the Department of Water Resources and the board, upon appropriation of funds by the Legislature, to reactivate, upgrade, and install new stream gages, as provided. The bill would require the department and board to use the recommendations and data provided in the California Stream Gaging Prioritization Plan 2022 to complete specified actions by 2030. The bill would require the department to report to the Legislature, on or before January 1, 2026, and every 2 years thereafter, on progress made in completing those specified actions. The bill would require the data from all stream gages operating with any public money to be published as provisional data within 10 days of collection and made publicly available on the state's open water data platforms. The bill would require the department and board to develop and adopt a set of standards and processes for assessing, tracking, and reporting the accuracy of stream gages, evapotranspiration data, water meters, and other critical data inputs for water management, as provided. The bill would require the department and the board to consult with interested stakeholders to develop a plan to identify the gaps in the network of automated weather stations and eddy covariance towers to ensure accurate and comprehensive data collection.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - S	Priority 2		
			ACWA - F	CMUA - S

**SB 396 (Wahab D) Local government: excavations: notice.**

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**Location:** 4/28/2023-S. 2 YEAR

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**Summary:** Current law imposes various duties on local agencies relating to construction and property within its jurisdiction, including by requiring local agencies with jurisdiction to approve excavations to allow microtrenching, as defined, for the installation of underground fiber if the installation in the microtrench is limited to fiber, except as provided. Current law requires, during the project planning phase of certain department-led construction projects, the Department of Transportation to notify companies and organizations working on broadband deployment of the project on its internet website to encourage collaborative broadband installations. This bill would require, prior to commencing any local agency-led excavation projects, as defined, a city, county, or city and county to notify interested parties of the project on its internet website to encourage collaborative installations of important utilities and infrastructure, including, but not limited to, fiber optic cable, undergrounding utilities, or other important services.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 2		

**SB 410 (Becker D) Powering Up Californians Act.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 6/19/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

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**Last Amend:** 6/19/2023

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**Summary:** Current law requires electrical corporations, as part of their distribution planning processes, to consider that produced fleet data, and other available data, to facilitate the readiness of their distribution systems to support the state's anticipated level of electric vehicle charging, as specified. This bill, the Powering Up Californians Act, would require the Public Utilities Commission (PUC) to establish, on or before September 30, 2024, reasonable average and maximum target energization time periods, as defined, certain reporting requirements so that electrical corporation performance can be tracked and improved, and a procedure for customers to report energization delays to the PUC, as provided. The bill would require the PUC to require the electrical corporation to take any remedial actions necessary to achieve the PUC's targets and would require all reports to be publicly available, among other reporting requirements.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 2		
				CMUA - W

**SB 414 (Allen D) Climate change: applications using hydrogen: assessment.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 5/18/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

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**Last Amend:** 5/18/2023

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**Summary:** Would, on or before December 31, 2025, require the State Air Resources Board, in consultation with the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission (Energy Commission) and the Public Utilities Commission (PUC), upon appropriation by the Legislature, to complete an assessment of the use of hydrogen in certain applications, as specified. The bill would require the assessment to incorporate the findings of, and not duplicate, the above-described evaluation. The bill would require the state board, the Energy Commission, and the PUC to consider the findings in the assessment in their plans, rulemakings, reports, or other process related to the planning, implementation, or regulation of hydrogen production, distribution, storage, or usage in the state.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 2	ACWA - F	CMUA - W

**SB 416 (Laird D) State agencies: building and renovation projects: LEED certification.**

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**Last Amend:** 6/13/2023

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**Location:** 6/21/2023-A. APPR.

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**Summary:** Current law, the State Contract Act, governs the bidding and award of public works contracts by specific state departments and requires an awarding department, before entering into any contract for a project, to prepare full, complete, and accurate plans and specifications and estimates of cost. This bill would, with certain exceptions, require all new building and major renovation projects larger than 10,000 gross square feet undertaken by state agencies, and for which the project schematic design documents are initiated by the state agency on or after January 1, 2024, to obtain the Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design or "LEED" Gold or higher certification and to qualify for at least the minimum points achievable for rainwater management, as described. The bill would authorize certification to an alternative equivalent or higher rating system or standard, if any, only when approved by the Director of General Services.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 2		

**SB 488 (Alvarado-Gil D) California Renewables Portfolio Standard Program: bioenergy projects: community choice aggregators.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 4/10/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/14/2023

**Last Amend:** 4/10/2023

**Status:** 4/28/2023-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(2). (Last location was E. U., & C. on 2/22/2023)(May be acted upon Jan 2024)

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**Summary:** Current law vests the Public Utilities Commission with regulatory authority over public utilities, including electrical corporations, while local publicly owned electric utilities are under the direction of their governing boards. Current law requires electrical corporations, by December 1, 2023, to collectively procure, through financial commitments of 5 to 15 years, inclusive, their proportionate share of 125 megawatts of cumulative rated generating capacity from existing bioenergy projects that commenced operations before June 1, 2013, and requires a local publicly owned electric utility serving more than 100,000 customers to procure its proportionate share of 125 megawatts of cumulative rated generating capacity from bioenergy projects subject to terms of at least 5 years, but exempts from these requirements a local publicly owned electric utility that previously entered into 5-year financial commitments for its proportionate share under certain conditions. This bill would authorize the cumulative rated generating capacity to be procured from bioenergy projects regardless of when the projects commence operations.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water	SWC - W	Priority 2		

**SB 544** (Laird D) Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act: teleconferencing.**Current Text:** Amended: 4/27/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)**Introduced:** 2/15/2023**Last Amend:** 4/27/2023**Status:** 7/18/2023-From committee: Do pass as amended and re-refer to Com. on APPR. (Ayes 12. Noes 2.) (July 12).**Location:** 7/12/2023-A. APPR.

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**Summary:** The Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act, requires, with specified exceptions, that all meetings of a state body be open and public and all persons be permitted to attend any meeting of a state body. The act authorizes meetings through teleconference subject to specified requirements, including, among others, that the state body post agendas at all teleconference locations, that each teleconference location be identified in the notice and agenda of the meeting or proceeding, that each teleconference location be accessible to the public, that the agenda provide an opportunity for members of the public to address the state body directly at each teleconference location, and that at least one member of the state body be physically present at the location specified in the notice of the meeting. This bill would amend existing law that will remain operative after July 1, 2023, to remove indefinitely the teleconference requirements that a state body post agendas at all teleconference locations, that each teleconference location be identified in the notice and agenda of the meeting or proceeding, and that each teleconference location be accessible to the public. The bill would require a state body to provide a means by which the public may remotely hear audio of the meeting, remotely observe the meeting, or attend the meeting by providing on the posted agenda a teleconference telephone number, an internet website or other online platform, and a physical address for at least one site, including, if available, access equivalent to the access for a member of the state body participating remotely.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 2		

**SB 550** (Grove R) Water markets.**Current Text:** Amended: 3/20/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)**Introduced:** 2/15/2023**Last Amend:** 3/20/2023**Status:** 5/19/2023-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(5). (Last location was APPR. SUSPENSE FILE on 4/10/2023)(May be acted upon Jan 2024)**Location:** 5/19/2023-S. 2 YEAR

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**Summary:** Would require, on or before January 1, 2025, the Legislative Analyst, in collaboration with the Department of Water Resources, the State Water Resources Control Board, and other state agencies, as described, to prepare and submit to the Legislature a report analyzing the water market, including background information regarding the sale of water and water rights, trends in the water market, barriers to entering the water market or effectively trading in the market, and proposals for improving the regulatory framework to make the water market more market friendly and to encourage growth.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 2		

**SB 574** (Wahab D) Public agencies: project labor agreements.**Current Text:** Amended: 3/22/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)**Introduced:** 2/15/2023**Last Amend:** 3/22/2023**Status:** 4/28/2023-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(2). (Last location was G.O. on 3/29/2023) (May be acted upon Jan 2024)**Location:** 4/28/2023-S. 2 YEAR

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**Summary:** Would permit a state agency to undertake a major state construction project only if that project is governed by a project labor agreement and if that project labor agreement includes community benefit goals, as specified, and would define various terms for these purposes. The bill would authorize the Governor to waive this requirement if the state agency has attempted to comply with this requirement and the Governor makes a written determination that the application of this requirement would be impracticable. The bill would require the Department of General Services, commencing January 1, 2029, to report to the Legislature about the use of project labor agreements, the advancement of community benefit goals, and apprenticeships, as specified. The bill would also make a related statement of legislative findings and declarations.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 2		

**[SB 604](#)**

**(Wilk R) Electricity: transmission and distribution infrastructure: assessment.**

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**Summary:** Would require the Energy Commission, working with the State Air Resources Board and the Public Utilities Commission, to prepare a statewide assessment of the supply needs for transmission and distribution infrastructure and equipment that is necessary to achieve carbon neutrality by 2045, as specified. The bill would require the commission to update the assessment at least once every 3 years, and to submit the assessment to the Legislature on or before January 1, 2025, and on or before January 1 every 3 years thereafter.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 2		

**[SB 649](#)**

**(Hurtado D) California Endangered Species Act: incidental take permits.**

**Current Text:** Introduced: 2/16/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

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**Summary:** The California Endangered Species Act requires the Department of Fish and Wildlife to adopt regulations for issuance of incidental take permits. Existing law prohibits the department from issuing an incidental take permit if issuance of the permit would jeopardize the continued existence of the species. Existing law requires the department to make this determination based on the best scientific and other information that is reasonably available, and to include consideration of the species' capability to survive and reproduce, and any adverse impacts of the taking on those abilities in light of (1) known population trends; (2) known threats to the species; and (3) reasonably foreseeable impacts on the species from other related projects and activities. This bill would require the department to make that decision based on a real-time monitoring system, rather than a calendar-based schedule, and to additionally consider the proximity of the species relative to the operation of a facility subject to the permit conditions and the known location of the population relative to the facility subject to the permit.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - Seek Information	Priority 2		

**[SB 664](#)**

**(Stern D) Energy: reliability planning assessment: integrated energy policy report.**

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**Summary:** Current law requires the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission (Energy Commission) and the Public Utilities Commission (PUC), on or before December 15, 2022, and quarterly thereafter, to submit to the Legislature a joint Reliability Planning Assessment that, among other things, includes prospective information on existing and expected resources, including updates on the interconnection status for renewable projects and any delays in interconnection, and expected retirements for both system and local resources. Current law requires the Energy Commission to report in the energy almanac on California energy resources that serve load in California. This bill would require that the assessment also include the status of utility transmission upgrades and electrical grid infrastructure capacity, PUC approvals of applications for certificates of public convenience and necessity and permits to construct utility and independent projects, and applications for permits for projects from the Energy Commission and the queue of projects from the Independent System Operator, include the expected completion dates for both system and local resources, and report on the use of fossil fuel by certain facilities constructed by, purchased by, or under contract with the Department of Water Resources, as specified. The bill would require the Energy Commission to quarterly publish on its internet website and update a tracking energy development dashboard that synthesizes and publishes the information included in the assessment and reported on California energy resources in the energy almanac.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 2		CMUA - O/A

**[SB 682](#)**

**([Skinner D](#)) Low-carbon cement and low-carbon concrete.**

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**Summary:** Current law requires the State Air Resources Board to develop a comprehensive strategy for the state's cement sector to achieve net-zero emissions of greenhouse gases associated with cement used in the state as soon as possible, but no later than December 31, 2045. This bill would set a policy for the state to purchase or specify, on a statewide basis, at least 10%, by volume, of cement and concrete, including supplementary cementitious materials, that meet a certain benchmark by 2030 and to exclude the purchase of all fossil-based supplementary cementitious materials from that 10% by 2035.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - Seek Information	Priority 2		

**[SB 687](#)**

**([Eggman D](#)) Water Quality Control Plan: Delta Conveyance Project.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 5/2/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/16/2023

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**Summary:** Would require the State Water Resources Control Board to adopt a final update of the 1995 Water Quality Control Plan for the San Francisco Bay/Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Estuary, as provided, before the board may consider a change in point diversion or any other water rights permit

or order for the Delta Conveyance Project. The bill would also, if, after completing the update of the plan and in compliance with existing law, the board approves a change in point of diversion or any other water rights permit or order associated with the Delta Conveyance Project, prohibit the operation of the Delta Conveyance Project unless and until the updated plan is fully implemented. The bill would specify that these provisions do not constitute an authorization for or approval of funding for the Delta Conveyance Project or any other project that includes isolated Delta conveyance facilities, and do not reduce any statutory or other regulatory conditions or permit requirements for Delta conveyance projects.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - O	Priority 2		
			ACWA - O	

**SB 709**

**(Allen D) Low-Carbon Fuel Standard regulations: biogas derived from livestock manure.**

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**Summary:** Current law requires the State Air Resources Board to approve and begin implementing a comprehensive strategy to reduce emissions of short-lived climate pollutants in the state to achieve, among other things, a reduction in methane emissions to 40% below 2013 levels by 2030. Current law requires the state board, in consultation with the Department of Food and Agriculture, to adopt regulations to reduce methane emissions from livestock manure management operations and dairy manure management operations consistent with the strategy, as specified. Current law requires those regulations to be implemented on or after January 1, 2024, if the state board, in consultation with the department, makes certain determinations. Current law requires the state board to provide guidance on credits generated pursuant to the Low-Carbon Fuel Standard regulations, and the market-based compliance mechanism, adopted pursuant to the act from the methane reduction protocols described in the comprehensive strategy for short-lived climate pollutants. Existing law requires the state board to ensure that projects developed before the implementation of the regulations to reduce methane emissions from livestock manure management operations and dairy manure management operations receive credit under the Low-Carbon Fuel Standard regulations and the market-based compliance mechanism for at least 10 years. Existing law also makes projects eligible for an extension of credits after the first 10 years, as specified. This bill would eliminate the requirement that the state board ensure those projects receive credit for at least 10 years and would eliminate the requirement for those projects to be eligible for an extension of credits after the first 10 years.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 2		

**SB 737**

**(Hurtado D) Groundwater: recharge.**

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**Status:** 3/1/2023-Referred to Com. on RLS.

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**Summary:** Would state the intent of the Legislature to enact subsequent legislation to capture floodwater to recharge groundwater basins and to require the Department of Water Resources and the State Water Resources Control Board to work together to expedite the regulatory steps necessary to store significant rainfall and excess water underground, while still ensuring protections for the environment and other water users as required by state law.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - Seek Information	Priority 2		



**SB 744**

**(Newman D) Fire protection districts: training: fire suppression activities.**

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**Summary:** The Fire Protection District Law of 1987 provides for the formation and administration of fire protection districts. Current law requires the board of directors of a fire protection district (district board) to train all employees of the district who are expected to provide specified services, except those whose duties are primarily clerical or administrative, to administer first aid and cardiopulmonary resuscitation, as provided. Current law authorizes a district board to provide any other training programs for its employees. This bill would also require the district board to train all employees in fire suppression activities.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 2		

**SB 745**

**(Cortese D) The Drought-Resistant Buildings Act.**

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**Summary:** Would require the California Building Standards Commission to research, develop, and propose building standards to reduce potable water use in new residential and nonresidential buildings, as specified. The bill would require the commission to perform a review of water efficiency and water reuse standards in the California Buildings Standards Code every 3 years, commencing with the next triennial edition, and update as needed.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 2		
			ACWA - NF/A	CMUA - NF/A

**SB 746**

**(Eggman D) Energy conservation contracts: alternate energy equipment: green hydrogen: Tri-Valley-San Joaquin Valley Regional Rail Authority.**

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**Summary:** Current law authorizes a public agency to enter into an energy service contract and related facility ground lease if the governing body finds, among other things, that the anticipated cost to the public agency for thermal or electrical energy or conservation services provided by the energy conservation facility under the contract will be less than the anticipated marginal cost to the agency of thermal, electrical, or other energy that would have been consumed by the public agency in the absence of those purchases. Current law additionally authorizes a public agency to enter into a facility financing contract and a facility ground lease upon meeting certain requirements and finding that funds for the repayment of the financing or other specified contract costs are projected to be available from revenues resulting from sales of electricity or thermal energy from the facility or other sources. Current law authorizes a public agency to enter into contracts for the sale of electricity, electrical generating capacity, or thermal energy produced by the energy conservation facility at such rates and terms as are approved by its governing body. This bill would authorize the Tri-Valley-San Joaquin Valley Regional Rail Authority, in addition to its authority to enter into contracts described above, to enter into energy service contracts, facility financing contracts, and contracts for the sale of specified energy resources

relating to green electrolytic hydrogen, as defined, for use by the authority for purposes of financing the construction and operation of passenger rail service through the Altamont Pass Corridor. This bill would make legislative findings and declarations as to the necessity of a special statute for the Tri-Valley-San Joaquin Valley Regional Rail Authority.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 2		

**SB 747** (Caballero D) Land use: economic development: surplus land.

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**Status:** 7/18/2023-From committee: Do pass as amended and re-refer to Com. on APPR. (Ayes 8. Noes 0.) (July 12).

**Location:** 7/12/2023-A. APPR.

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**Summary:** Would authorize a city, county, or city and county, in addition to a sale or lease, to otherwise transfer property to create an economic opportunity. The bill would make related, conforming changes. The bill would additionally state the Legislature’s intent is to ensure that residents of the state have access to jobs that allow them to afford housing without the need for public subsidies.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 2		

**SB 753** (Caballero D) Cannabis: water resources.

**Current Text:** Amended: 6/29/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/17/2023

**Last Amend:** 6/29/2023

**Status:** 7/6/2023-Re-referred to Com. on APPR. pursuant to Assembly Rule 96.

**Location:** 7/6/2023-A. APPR.

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** Under the Control, Regulate and Tax Adult Use of Marijuana Act (AUMA), a person 18 years of age or older who plants, cultivates, harvests, dries, or processes more than 6 living cannabis plants, or any part thereof, may be charged with a felony if specified conditions exist, including when the offense causes substantial environmental harm to public lands or other public resources. This bill would amend AUMA by adding to the above-described conditions planting, cultivating, harvesting, drying, or processing marijuana that results in substantial environmental harm to surface or groundwater. By expanding the scope of a crime, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 2		

**SB 756** (Laird D) Water: inspection: administrative procedure: notice: service.

**Current Text:** Amended: 5/15/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/17/2023

**Last Amend:** 5/15/2023

**Status:** 7/13/2023-Read second time. Ordered to consent calendar.

**Location:** 7/12/2023-A. CONSENT CALENDAR

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** Current law authorizes the State Water Resources Control Board to investigate all streams, stream systems, lakes, or other bodies of water, take testimony relating to the rights to water or the use of water, and ascertain whether water filed upon or attempted to be appropriated is appropriated under the laws of the state. Current law requires the board to take all appropriate proceedings or actions to prevent waste, unreasonable use, unreasonable method of use, or unreasonable method of

diversion of water in this state. This bill would authorize the board, in conducting an investigation or proceeding for these purposes, to inspect the property or facilities of any person or entity to ascertain certain purposes are being met or compliance with specified requirements. The bill would authorize the board, if consent is denied for an inspection, to obtain an inspection warrant, as specified, or in the event of an emergency affecting public health and safety pertaining to the particular site under which the inspection is being sought, to conduct an inspection without consent or a warrant. The bill would authorize the board to participate in an inspection of an unlicensed cannabis cultivation site, as specified.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 2		CMUA - F

**SB 769 (Gonzalez D) Local government: fiscal and financial training.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 6/22/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/17/2023

**Last Amend:** 6/22/2023

**Status:** 7/12/2023-July 12 set for first hearing. Placed on APPR. suspense file.

**Location:** 7/12/2023-A. APPR. SUSPENSE FILE

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** Would require if a local agency provides any type of compensation, salary, or stipend to a member of a legislative body, or provides reimbursement for actual and necessary expenses incurred by a member of a legislative body in the performance of official duties, all local agency officials, as defined, to receive at least 2 hours of fiscal and financial training, as described. The bill would require the training to be received at least once every 2 years, as provided. The bill would exempt a local agency official from the training requirements if they comply with specified criteria under existing law relating to eligibility for appointment or election to, and continuing education for, the office of county auditor, county treasurer, county tax collector, or county treasurer-tax collector.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 2		

**SB 778 (Ochoa Bogh R) Excavations: subsurface installations.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 6/15/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/17/2023

**Last Amend:** 6/15/2023

**Status:** 7/14/2023-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(10). (Last location was U. & E. on 6/8/2023) (May be acted upon Jan 2024)

**Location:** 7/14/2023-A. 2 YEAR

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	2 year	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** The Safe Dig Act establishes a regional notification system to provide certain entities, defined as operators, that own, operate, and maintain subsurface installations with advance warning of nearby excavations or other work for the purpose of protecting those installations from damage, removal, relocation, or repair. Current law establishes the California Underground Facilities Safe Excavation Board, also known as the Dig Safe Board, composed of 9 members, for the enforcement and administration of the Safe Dig Act. Current law requires the Governor to appoint 7 of the board members. This bill would revise the knowledge and experience requirements for 3 of the members appointed by the Governor.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 2		

**SB 833 (McGuire D) Cannabis licensing: cultivation licenses: changing license type: inactive status.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 6/22/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/17/2023

**Last Amend:** 6/22/2023

**Status:** 6/27/2023-From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on APPR. with recommendation: To consent calendar. (Ayes 18. Noes 0.) (June 27). Re-referred to Com. on APPR.

Location: 6/27/2023-A. APPR.

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** The Medicinal and Adult-Use Cannabis Regulation and Safety Act (MAUCRSA), among other things, consolidates the licensure and regulation of commercial medicinal and adult-use cannabis activities. Under current law, the Department of Cannabis Control may issue cannabis cultivation licenses to commercial cannabis businesses that differ depending on the size of the cultivation site and whether the site is indoor, outdoor, or mixed-light. Current law requires the department to charge each licensee a licensure and renewal fee, as applicable. This bill would require the department, beginning no later than March 1, 2024, to allow a cultivation licensee to change the type of size of a cultivation license or to place a cultivation license in inactive status. The bill would authorize a licensee, at the license renewal, to change an existing cultivation license to a type with a smaller maximum canopy size, and at each subsequent license renewal, to restore the original type, maintain the type that the license was changed to at the license renewal, or change to a different type with a maximum canopy size smaller than the original type. The bill would prohibit a licensee who holds a license in inactive status from engaging in the cultivation of cannabis, except as specified, would require a license in inactive status to remain in inactive status until the license is next renewed, and would require a licensee who holds a license in inactive status to pay a reduced license fee. The bill would require the department, in implementing these provisions, to allow each licensee a one-time opportunity to change the date of license renewal.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 2		

**SB 861**

**(Dahle R) California Environmental Quality Act: water conveyance or storage projects: judicial review.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 4/24/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/17/2023

**Last Amend:** 4/24/2023

**Status:** 5/19/2023-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(5). (Last location was APPR. SUSPENSE FILE on 5/1/2023)(May be acted upon Jan 2024)

**Location:** 5/19/2023-S. 2 YEAR

Desk	Policy	2 year	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** The California Environmental Quality Act requires a lead agency to prepare a mitigated negative declaration for a project that may have a significant effect on the environment if revisions in the project would avoid or mitigate that effect and there is no substantial evidence that the project, as revised, would have a significant effect on the environment. CEQA establishes a procedure by which a person may seek judicial review of the decision of the lead agency made pursuant to CEQA. This bill would require the Judicial Council to adopt rules of court applicable to actions or proceedings brought to attack, review, set aside, void, or annul the certification or adoption of an environmental impact report for specified water projects, as defined, or the granting of any project approvals, including any appeals to the court of appeal or the Supreme Court, to be resolved, to the extent feasible, within 270 days of the filing of the certified record of proceedings with the court to an action or proceeding seeking judicial review of the lead agency's action related to those projects. The bill would require the lead agency to prepare the record of proceedings for a project, as provided, and to include a specified notice in the draft EIR and final EIR for the project.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
State Water Contractors	SWC - W	Priority 2		

**Total Measures: 97**

**Total Tracking Forms: 97**