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PUBLIC OUTREACH AND LEGISLATION COMMITTEE MEETING

**Thursday, March 16, 2023
Meeting Begins at 5:30 PM**

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Engineering Services Section
Boardroom
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Santa Clarita, CA 91350

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(Public comments take place during Item 2 of the Agenda and before each Item is considered. Please see the Agenda for details.)

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Date: March 9, 2023

To: **Public Outreach and Legislation Committee**
Maria Gutzeit, Chair
Kathye Armitage
Beth Braunstein
Ed Colley

From: Steve Cole, Assistant General Manager 

The **Public Outreach and Legislation Committee** meeting is scheduled on **Thursday, March 16, 2023 at 5:30 PM at 26521 Summit Circle, Santa Clarita, CA 91350 in the Engineering Services Section (ESS) Boardroom**. Members of the public may attend in person or virtually. To attend this meeting virtually, please see below.

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MEETING AGENDA

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Posted on March 9, 2023



To: Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency; Public Outreach & Legislation Committee
From: Van Scoyoc Associates (VSA); Geoff Bowman, Pete Evich, and Ashley Strobel
Date: March 8, 2023
Subject: March 2023 Report

Fiscal Year 2024 Appropriations Begins

In late February, the House of Representatives and Senate announced respectively they will be accepting requests for Community Project Funding (CPF) and Congressionally Directed Spending (CDS) projects, formerly known as “earmarks.” House Members are allowed to submit up to 15 CPF requests to the Appropriations Committee, while Senators do not have a limit on the number of projects they can submit. VSA is assisting SCV Water in submitting CDS and CPF requests through Senator Feinstein, Senator Padilla, and Congressman Garcia under the State and Tribal Assistance Grant (STAG) account in the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Appropriations bill. SCV Water is requesting funds for the S-Wells PFAS Treatment and Disinfection Facilities. SCV Water and VSA intends to meet with the Congressional Delegation to advocate and inform the Members and staff of the project before they select projects and submit these to the respective Appropriations Committees. The House and Senate Appropriations Committees will begin consideration of the FY2024 bills starting in April 2023.

Cybersecurity for Public Water Systems

On March 3rd, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) released a [new memorandum and guidance](#) stressing the need for States to assess cybersecurity risks at drinking water systems to protect public drinking water. The EPA says that while some public water systems (PWSs) have taken important steps to improve their cybersecurity, a recent survey and reports of cyber-attacks show that many have not adopted cybersecurity best practices and are at risk of cyber-attacks.

This memo requires States to survey cyber security best practices at PWSs and conveys EPA’s interpretation that States must include cybersecurity when they conduct periodic audits of water systems (called “sanitary surveys”) and highlights different approaches for States to fulfill this responsibility.

EPA is providing technical assistance and resources to assist States and water systems as they work towards implementation of a robust cybersecurity program. EPA’s guidance entitled “Evaluating Cybersecurity During Public Water Sanitary Surveys” is intended to assist States with building cybersecurity into sanitary surveys. It includes key information on options for

evaluating and improving the cybersecurity of operational technology used for safe drinking water.

EPA is also requesting public comment on Sections 4-8 of the guidance and all Appendices until May 31st, 2023. Comments can be emailed to wicrd-outreach@epa.gov.

EPA CERCLA Listening Sessions

The EPA Office of Enforcement and Compliance Assurance (OECA) will hold two listening sessions to gain stakeholder input on liability concerns over the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA). EPA will consider the input when drafting a CERCLA per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) enforcement and settlement policy regarding potential PFAS cleanup efforts required under CERCLA. The sessions will focus on policies related to financial obligations for PFAS contamination response action. The sessions will occur on Tuesday, March 14th, and Thursday, March 23rd.

See more information and how to register for the sessions [here](#).

EPA Announces Funding for Emerging Contaminants

On February 13th, EPA announced \$2 billion in funding through the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) for the Emerging Contaminants in Small or Disadvantaged Communities (EC-SDC) Grant Program. States and territories can use the funding to address emerging contaminants such as Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS) in drinking water. California's statewide allocation for this round of funding – which is an allocation that includes both the FY22 and FY23 amount – is \$169,115,000. EPA additionally released the [Emerging Contaminants in Small or Disadvantaged Communities Grant Implementation](#) document to provide implementation guidance for the use of funding to address water quality challenges. States are allowed to define what constitutes “disadvantaged communities” based on affordability criteria they develop, and EPA subsequently approves.

Please see the information below, which includes:

- [Background](#) on the announcement and grant program
- [Funding Allotments](#) to States and Territories
- [Eligible Applicants](#) (disadvantaged and small communities)
- [Eligible Project](#) types
- [Implementation](#) (implementation guidance for the states which was released today; second attachment)
- [Timeline](#)
- [Contacts](#)

With this announcement, which includes the formalization of the implementation guidance, States can now review and begin developing “work plans” to submit to EPA. In California, these EPA funds dollars are being routed through the California State Water Resources Board.

Senator Feinstein Announces She Will Not Seek Re-election

On February 14th, Senator Dianne Feinstein announced she will not seek re-election in 2024. Feinstein, 89, is the longest serving woman in the U.S. Senate. She has stated she will continue serving through the end of her term. Reps. Adam Schiff, Katie Porter, and Barbara Lee have formally announced their bids to run. Representative Ro Khanna has stated he will consider running “over the next few months.”

FEMA Announces \$2 Billion in Preparedness Grants

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) announced \$2 billion in funding for its Fiscal Year 2023 preparedness grant programs. While not directly impactful to SCV Water, these grants typically go directly to States to execute programs to prepare for, prevent, protect against, and respond to acts of terrorism.

DHS has identified six national priority areas in the FY 2023 grant cycle: Cybersecurity, which has become an important variable for municipal water districts; soft targets and crowded places; intelligence and information sharing; domestic violent extremism; community preparedness and resilience; and election security.

The non-competitive formula award programs announced for FY2023 include:

- **Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP):** State Homeland Security Program -- provides \$415 million to support the implementation of risk-driven, capabilities-based State homeland security strategies to address capability targets. Awards are based on statutory minimums and relative risk as determined by DHS/FEMA’s risk methodology.
- **HSGP: Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI)** -- provides \$615 million to enhance regional preparedness and capabilities in 36 high-threat, high-density areas. Awards are based on relative risk as determined by DHS/FEMA’s risk methodology.
 - For both the State homeland and urban area grants, 30% of the awards must address the six priority areas of cybersecurity; soft target and crowded places; information and intelligence sharing; domestic violent extremism; community preparedness and resilience; and election security. Additionally, 35% of these grants must be dedicated to law enforcement terrorism prevention activities, and 80% of these grants must be obligated from the state to local or tribal governments within 45 calendar days of receipt.
- **Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG) Program** -- provides \$355.1 million to assist State, local, tribal, and territorial emergency management agencies in obtaining the resources required to support the National Preparedness Goal’s associated mission areas and core capabilities to build a culture of preparedness.

More information on each program can be found on the [FEMA grants page](#).

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-VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL-

March 8, 2023

To: Steve Cole, Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency
From: Dennis Albiani, Annalee Akin, California Advocates
Subject: March 2023 Report

February 17th marked the last day for legislators to introduce bills in 2023 and the first major deadline of the year. With 2,641 bills introduced in the California Legislature, 883 Senate bills and 1,758 Assembly bills, this is the highest amount of bills introduced in more than a decade. Including special session measures, resolutions, and constitutional amendments there have been 2,777 measures introduced so far – noting bills authored by committees, resolutions and constitutional amendments are not subject to the February 17th deadline. There are generally more bills introduced in the first year of a two-year session, so in comparison to recent odd-numbered years, there were 2,369 bills introduced by this deadline in 2021, 2,576 in 2019, and 2,495 in 2017.

Policy committees have begun hearing bills and will continue adding measures to their agendas for March and April hearings in advance of the next major deadlines of April 28 and May 5, which are the last days for fiscal and nonfiscal bills (respectively) to be heard in their first house. We will continue to update SCVWA and advocate when appropriate as key bills move through the legislative process.

A departure from typical March events making news is Governor Newsom's decision to not address the legislature in a formal State of the State Address. It is required per the state's constitution that the Governor report to the legislature each calendar year "on the condition of the state," however this year Governor Newsom is breaking from tradition and will unveil his policy agenda via a tour of the state scheduled for March 16-19. Announcements made will be included in the Governor's required report to the legislature via a letter. We will update SCVWA with any relevant new policies that are unveiled.

Budget

The Legislative Analysts Office (LAO) released its report on the Department of Water Resources (DWR). The report reviewed the Governor's flood-related proposals, described the importance of groundwater to the state's water system, and analyzed proposals for DWR related to the implementation of SGMA. The report notes that it seems appropriate for DWR to take on more responsibility for collecting and reporting groundwater data statewide than originally envisioned, which is supported in the Governor's proposed funding for 11 new positions that include enhanced data collection, basin characterization, and reporting. The LAO also recommended that the legislature support the Governor's flood-related proposals, even as new spending must meet a high threshold of justification given this year's budget deficit. Please find the LAO's report [HERE](#).

Legislative Hearing on Water Rights

On February 28, the Assembly Committee on Water, Parks, and Wildlife held an information hearing regarding “Adapting Water Rights to our 21st Century Climate.” Four panels of experts discussed California’s complex water rights system, current challenges, and recommendations for modernization. All panels mentioned the Shasta River situation in some capacity and common themes included the State Water Resources Control Board’s (Board) limited interim relief authority and a need to clarify pre-1914 and riparian rights.

Panel 1 contained remarks from Ellen Hanak and Brian Gray of the Public Policy Institute of California who reviewed data from the Delta and made policy recommendations. Their recommendations for managing scarcity include: (1) authorize Board to enforce and curtail all surface water rights and groundwater rights that significantly affect surface waters; (2) Enable SWRCB to respond more quickly to changing conditions; (3) Create incentives to improve reporting; and (4) Encourage negotiation of CVP and SWP senior contracts. PPIC’s recommendations for managing abundance include: (1) Empowering SWRCB to administer a special permitting system for “high-water” flows; (2) Developing watershed-specific high-flow diversion thresholds; (3) Confirm recharge with high flows is a beneficial use; and (4) Allow for quick action when storms come.

The committee then heard from Erik Ekdahl, Deputy Director, Division of Water Rights, SWB and Yvonne West, Director, Office of Enforcement, SWRCB. Mr. Ekdahl spoke about the importance of data and complicated history of water rights. Director West discussed the timeline of what happened with the Shasta River, challenges to enforcement and incentivizing compliance, and the importance of data. Assemblywoman Schiavo noted the insufficiency of current fines and timelines for enforcement hearings.

Panel 3 included Council Member Arron “Troy” Hockaday, Karuk Tribe who spoke about how his tribe in the Klamath basin is having difficulty with the salmon population and how devastating the Shasta River situation was. His position was “fish are the senior right holders of the water.”

The final panel started with Richard Frank, Director of California Environmental Law and Policy Center, UC Davis School of Law, making additional suggestions for the legislature: (1) increase and enhance Board enforcement powers with focus on ability to issue interim relief orders; and (2) Change the authority of the Board to administratively assess civil penalties (currently woefully inadequate). Jennifer Harder, Professor, McGeorge School of Law then outlined two additional proposals to eliminate uncertainty over the board’s authority over riparian and pre-1914 rights. Professor Harder suggested legislation involving verification from water users and curtailment. The final speakers strongly supported a robust enforcement process.

This hearing was a demonstration of the legislature’s commitment to addressing the subject this legislative session. There was significant criticism of the hearing because it lacked any water rights holders or representatives on the panels making it a one-sided discussion and failing to address the strengths of the current system and any potential unintended consequences from significant alterations

to the 110-year-old water rights system that has help build the 4th largest economy ion the world in an arid environment.

ACWA SLC Update

We continue to represent SCVWA on the State Legislative Committee Meeting, ACWA staff and State Legislative Committee (SLC), which SLC met on February 10 and March 3. On February 10, ACWA's water rights proposal was discussed although it was noted that more work would be done for a likely vote on March 3. During the March 3 meeting, most of the discussion continued to focus on the potential for ACWA to sponsor its own bill on water rights. There were concerns with provisions in the current proposal and disagreements about the strategy, so a decision was postponed until a special SLC meeting that has been scheduled for March 9 which will have updated language to discuss.

Regulatory

Executive Order N-3-23 Regarding Water Use and Supply

On February 13, Governor Newsom signed an Executive Order to protect the State's water supplies from the impacts of climate-driven extremes in weather. The order helps expand the State's capacity to capture storm runoff with groundwater recharge projects, continues conservation measures, and allows the State to maximize water supplies north and south of the Delta while protecting the environment. Additionally, it directs state agencies to review and provide recommendations on the State's response actions by April 28, including the possibility of terminating specific emergency provisions that are no longer needed. Please find the text of the Executive Order [HERE](#).

State Water Project Increased Water Deliveries – 35%

On February 22, DWR announced an increase in forecasted State Water Project (SWP) deliveries to 35 percent of requested water supplies due to early gains in the Sierra snowpack. This increase is up from 30 percent forecasted in January and translates to an additional 210,000 acre-feet of water. The updated SWP forecast is on par with the Central Valley Project (CVP) initial allocations also announced on February 22 by the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation.

Temporary Urgency Change Petition (TUCP) Approved

On Feb. 21, the State Water Board approved a TUCP submitted by the DWR and the Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation) requesting approval to modify a single compliance point for compliance with Delta water quality conditions specified in their water right permits. This allows DWR and Reclamation to temporarily move and store more water while the state experiences high flows. Please find the full order from the SWB [HERE](#).

Groundwater Sustainability Plans – Decisions Announced for 12 Critically Overdrafted Basins

On March 2, DWR announced decisions for groundwater sustainability plans for 12 critically overdrafted groundwater basins in Central California. Six of the plans were recommended for approval and six were deemed inadequate. Those deemed inadequate will now be subject to intervention from the SWB via SGMA. For the full list and more information please find the news release [HERE](#).

2023 State Drinking Water Board Plan Priorities

The SWB will consider a Resolution Adopting Proposed Prioritization of Drinking Water Regulations Development for Calendar Year 2023 during its March 8 meeting. The Resolution directs the SWB to prioritize the development of drinking water regulations including numerous MCLs (hexavalent chromium, PFAS, arsenic, and more), direct potable reuse, water quality standards for on-site treatment and reuse, recycled water regulations, Cross Contamination Policy Handbook, Lead and Copper Rule and Revisions, detection limits, electronic reporting, notification levels, and financial assurances. Please find the most recent notice from the SWB [HERE](#).

End of COVID-19 State of Emergency

As of midnight on February 28, California's COVID-19 State of Emergency was terminated via a [proclamation](#) by Governor Newsom. The Governor's Office has reported takeaways such as how California's death rate was among the lowest in the nation, nearly 73% of California's population became vaccinated, the economy contracted less and grew faster than the US GDP, and the unemployment rate fell almost twice as fast as other large population states. California's response will continue post-emergency order, with the [SMARTER](#) plan still in effect.

Advanced Clean Fleets

CARB is expected to publish the final draft of Advanced Clean Fleets (ACF) regulations in March and has announced the intent to adopt ACF at an upcoming Board meeting, likely to be the next meeting taking place on April 27 and 28. SCVWA continues to work through ACWA for extended compliance for utility trucks providing essential water services during emergencies.

California Advocates, Inc. Activity Report

- Followed up with stakeholders and legislative staff regarding legislation, budget, and regulatory inquiries.
- Participated in ACWA MMLG meetings.
- Participated in ACWA State Legislative Committee on behalf of Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency, including March 9th additional special meeting.
- Monitored Assembly Water Rights Informational Hearing.
- Participated on ACWA state infrastructure workgroup where priorities to be included in bond measures was discussed.
- Participated in State Water Contractors (SWC) lobbyists and General Managers joint meeting to discuss pending legislation and develop initial advocacy strategies.
- Participated in SWC lobbyists meeting to plan for the year and to protect SWC water rights during legislative bill discussions and hearings.
- Participated in CalChamber's coalition on water legislation to discuss legislation introduced with stakeholders.

Important Dates and Deadlines for 2023

March

March 30 – Spring Recess begins upon adjournment of this day's session

March 31 – Cesar Chavez Day Observed

April

Apr. 10 – Legislature reconvenes from Spring recess

Apr. 28 – Last day for policy committees to hear and report fiscal bills to fiscal committees introduced in their house

May

May 5 - Last day for policy committees to hear and report non-fiscal bills introduced in their house to the floor

May 12 - Last day for policy committees to meet prior to June 5

May 19 - Last day for fiscal committees to hear and report to the Floor bills introduced in their house

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Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency
Legislative Status Report 3/8/2023

[AB 30](#) **([Ward D](#)) Atmospheric Rivers: Research, Mitigation, and Climate Forecasting Program.** (Introduced: 12/5/2022 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 1/26/2023-Referred to Com. on W., P., & W.

Location: 1/26/2023-A. W.,P. & W.

Calendar: 3/14/2023 9 a.m. - State Capitol, Room 444 ASSEMBLY WATER, PARKS AND WILDLIFE, BAUER-KAHAN, REBECCA, Chair

Summary: Existing law establishes the Atmospheric Rivers: Research, Mitigation, and Climate Forecasting Program in the Department of Water Resources. Existing 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. The bill would also require the department to take all actions within its existing authority 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.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[AB 62](#) **([Mathis R](#)) Statewide water storage: expansion.** (Amended: 2/27/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 2/28/2023-Re-referred to Com. on W., P., & W.

Location: 1/26/2023-A. W.,P. & W.

Summary: Existing law declares that the protection of the public interest in the development of the water resources of the state is of vital concern to the people of the state and that the state shall determine in what way the water of the state, both surface and underground, should be developed for the greatest public benefit. 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 State Water Resources Control Board, in consultation with the Department of Water Resources, to design and implement measures to increase statewide water storage to achieve the statewide goal. The bill would require the state board, beginning July 1, 2027, and on or before July 1 every 2 years thereafter until January 1, 2043,

in consultation with the department, to prepare and submit a report to the Legislature on the progress made in designing and implementing measures to achieve the statewide goal. This bill contains other existing laws.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA		AA - Folder		

[AB 66](#) ([Mathis R](#)) **Natural Resources Agency: water storage projects: permit approval. (**

Introduced: 12/6/2022 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 2/2/2023-Referred to Com. on W., P., & W.

Location: 2/2/2023-A. W.,P. & W.

Summary: Existing 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. Existing 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 approve the necessary permits for specified projects within 180 days from receiving a permit application, and would deem those permits approved if approval does not occur within this time period.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA		AA - Folder		

[AB 225](#) ([Grayson D](#)) **Real property: environmental hazards booklet. (Introduced: 1/11/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))**

Status: 3/2/2023-Referred to Com. on B. & P.

Location: 3/2/2023-A. B.&P.

Summary: Existing law requires the Department of Real Estate to develop a booklet to educate and inform consumers on, among other things, common environmental hazards that are located on, and affect, real property. Existing law requires the types of common environmental hazards to include, but not be limited to, asbestos, radon gas, lead-based paint, formaldehyde, fuel and chemical storage tanks, and water and soil contamination. This bill would express the intent of the Legislature that when the booklet is next updated, as existing resources permit or as private resources are made available, it be updated to include 3 new sections on wildfires, climate change, and sea level rise, as specified. The bill would require the State Department of Public Health to seek the advice and assistance of departments within the Natural Resources Agency in the writing of the booklet, as specified.

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SCV Water Agency					

[AB 249](#) ([Holden D](#)) **Water: schoolsites: lead testing: conservation. (Amended: 3/7/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))**

Status: 3/7/2023-From committee chair, with author's amendments: Amend, and re-refer to Com.

on E.S. & T.M. Read second time and amended.

Location: 2/2/2023-A. E.S. & T.M.

Calendar: 3/14/2023 1:30 p.m. - State Capitol, Room 444 ASSEMBLY ENVIRONMENTAL SAFETY AND TOXIC MATERIALS, LEE, ALEX, Chair

Summary: Existing law, 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. The act requires the state board to establish a grant program, in consultation with the State Department of Education, to award grants to local educational agencies for the purposes of improving access to, and the quality of, drinking water in public schools serving kindergarten or any of grades 1 to 12, inclusive, and preschools and child daycare facilities located on public school property. This bill would require a community water system that serves a schoolsite to test for lead in the potable water system outlets of the schoolsite before January 1, 2027, except for potable water system outlets in buildings that were either constructed after January 1, 2010, or modernized after January 1, 2010, and all faucets and other end point devices used for providing potable water were replaced as part of the modernization. The bill would require the community water system to report its findings to the applicable school or local educational agency and to the state board. The bill would require the local educational agency or school, if the lead level exceeds a specified level at a schoolsite, to notify the parents and guardians of the pupils who attend the schoolsite or preschool, take immediate steps to make inoperable and shut down from use all fountains and faucets where the excess lead levels may exist, and work with the schoolsites under its jurisdiction to ensure that a potable source of drinking water is provided for pupils, as specified. The bill would require a community water system to prepare a sampling plan for each schoolsite where lead sampling is required under these provisions. The bill would require the state board to make the results of schoolsite lead sampling publicly available by posting the results on its internet website. By imposing additional duties on local agencies, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

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SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[AB 277](#) (**[Rodriguez D](#)**) **Extreme Weather Forecast and Threat Intelligence Integration Center.** (Introduced: 1/23/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 2/9/2023-Referred to Coms. on E.M. and W., P., & W.

Location: 2/9/2023-A. EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Calendar: 3/13/2023 Upon adjournment of the Joint Oversight Hearing with the Joint Committee on Emergency Management - State Capitol, Room 444 ASSEMBLY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT, RODRIGUEZ, FREDDIE, Chair

Summary: Existing law, the California Emergency Services Act, creates, within the office of the Governor, the Office of Emergency Services, which is responsible for addressing natural, technological, or human-caused disasters and emergencies, including responsibility for activities necessary to prevent, respond to, recover from, and mitigate the effects of emergencies and disasters to people and property. Existing law establishes the Department of Water Resources within the Natural Resources Agency and sets forth its powers and duties relating to water resources. This bill would require the office and the department to jointly establish and lead the Extreme Weather Forecast and Threat Intelligence Integration Center for the purpose of collecting, assessing, and analyzing extreme weather data and atmospheric conditions, as specified. The bill

would require that the center be composed of representatives from specified organizations and would authorize the office and the department to invite other organizations to designate additional representatives, as specified. This bill contains other related provisions.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[AB 281](#) ([Grayson D](#)) **Planning and zoning: housing: postentitlement phase permits. (**

Introduced: 1/24/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 2/2/2023-Referred to Coms. on L. GOV. and H. & C.D.

Location: 2/2/2023-A. L. GOV.

Calendar: 3/22/2023 1:30 p.m. - State Capitol, Room 127 ASSEMBLY LOCAL GOVERNMENT, AGUIAR-CURRY, CECILIA, Chair

Summary: Existing law, which is part of the Planning and Zoning Law, requires a local agency to compile a list of information needed to approve or deny a postentitlement phase permit, to post an example of a complete, approved application and an example of a complete set of postentitlement phase permits for at least 5 types of housing development projects in the jurisdiction, as specified, and to make those items available to all applicants for these permits no later than January 1, 2024. Existing law establishes time limits for completing reviews regarding whether an application for a postentitlement phase permit is complete and compliant and whether to approve or deny an application, as specified, and makes any failure to meet these time limits a violation of specified law. Existing law defines various terms for these purposes, including “local agency” to mean a city, county, or city and county, and “postentitlement phase permit,” among other things, to exclude a permit required and issued by a special district. This bill would include a special district in the definition of “local agency” and would remove special districts from the exclusion in the definition of “postentitlement phase permit.” By imposing additional duties on special districts, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[AB 287](#) ([Garcia D](#)) **California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006: Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund: competitive grant programs: funding objectives. (Introduced: 1/24/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))**

Status: 2/2/2023-Referred to Com. on NAT. RES.

Location: 2/2/2023-A. NAT. RES.

Calendar: 3/13/2023 2:30 p.m. - State Capitol, Room 447 ASSEMBLY NATURAL RESOURCES, RIVAS, LUZ, Chair

Summary: The California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006 designates the State Air Resources Board as the state agency responsible for monitoring and regulating sources emitting greenhouse gases. The act authorizes the state board to include the use of market-based compliance mechanisms in regulating these sources. Existing law requires all moneys, except for fines and penalties, collected by the state board from the auction or sale of allowances as part of a market-based compliance mechanism to be deposited in the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund and

to be available upon appropriation by the Legislature. Existing law requires the moneys from the fund to be used to facilitate the achievement of reductions of greenhouse gas emissions consistent with the act and, where applicable and to the extent feasible, to maximize economic, environmental, and public health benefits to the state, among other goals. This bill, beginning July 1, 2025, would require state agencies administering competitive grant programs that allocate moneys from the fund to give specified communities preferential points during grant application scoring for programs intended to improve air quality, to provide for a specified application timeline, and to allow applicants from the Counties of Imperial and San Diego to include daytime population numbers in grant applications. This bill contains other related provisions.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA		AA - Folder		

[AB 295](#) (Fong, Vince R) Department of Transportation: maintenance projects. (

Introduced: 1/25/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 2/9/2023-Referred to Com. on TRANS.

Location: 2/9/2023-A. TRANS.

Summary: Existing law vests the Department of Transportation with full possession and control of the state highway system, including associated property. Existing law authorizes the department to do any act necessary, convenient, or proper for the construction, improvement, maintenance, or use of all highways that are under its jurisdiction, possession, or control. Existing law authorizes the department to require the removal of any encroachment in, under, or over any state highway. This bill would authorize the department to enter into agreements with local governmental entities, fire departments, fire protection districts, fire safe councils, and tribal entities to perform specified projects authorized by the department on roadways managed by the department, including activities related to roadside maintenance and the removal and clearing of material, as provided.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[AB 305](#) (Villapudua D) California Flood Protection Bond Act of 2024. (Introduced: 1/26/2023 [html](#)

[pdf](#))

Status: 1/27/2023-From printer. May be heard in committee February 26.

Location: 1/26/2023-A. PRINT

Summary: Under existing law, various general obligation bond acts have been approved by the voters to provide funds for water projects, facilities, and programs. This bill would express the intent of the Legislature to enact subsequent legislation for a flood protection general obligation bond act, in an unspecified amount, that would be known as the California Flood Protection Bond Act of 2024, and would be submitted to the voters at the next general election.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[AB 334](#) (Rubio, Blanca D) Public contracts: conflicts of interest. (Introduced: 1/30/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 2/9/2023-Referred to Com. on ELECTIONS.

Location: 2/9/2023-A. ELECTIONS

Summary: Existing law prohibits members of the Legislature and state, county, district, judicial district, and city officers or employees from being financially interested in any contract made by them in their official capacity, or by any body or board of which they are members. Existing law authorizes the Fair Political Practices Commission to commence an administrative or civil action against persons who violate this prohibition, as prescribed, and includes provisions for the collection of penalties after the time for judicial review of a commission order or decision has lapsed, or if all means of judicial review of the order or decision have been exhausted. Existing law identifies certain remote interests in contracts that are not subject to this prohibition and other situations in which an official is not deemed to be financially interested in a contract. This bill would establish that an independent contractor, who meets specified requirements, is not an officer for purposes of being subject to the prohibition on being financially interested in a contract.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[AB 345](#) (Wilson D) Habitat restoration: flood control: advance payments. (Introduced: 1/31/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 2/9/2023-Referred to Com. on W., P., & W.

Location: 2/9/2023-A. W.,P. & W.

Summary: Existing law authorizes the Department of Water Resources to make examinations of lands subject to inundation and overflow by floodwaters and of the waters causing the inundation or overflow and to make plans and estimates of the cost of works to regulate and control the floodwaters. Existing law also vests in the department charge of all expenditures unless otherwise provided by law for all public works relating to general river and harbor improvements, including reclamation and drainage of lands. Existing law authorizes the department to cooperate and contract with any agency of the state or of the United States in order to carry out its powers and purposes. This bill would authorize the department 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 to the local agency at any one time from exceeding 25% of the entire amount authorized to be provided under the funding agreement between the department and the local agency.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[AB 347](#) (Ting D) Pollution Prevention and Hazardous Waste Source Reduction and Management Review Act: enforcement. (Introduced: 1/31/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 2/9/2023-Referred to Com. on E.S. & T.M.

Location: 2/9/2023-A. E.S. & T.M.

Summary: The Pollution Prevention and Hazardous Waste Source Reduction and Management

Review Act requires a generator of hazardous waste every 4 years to complete and conduct a source evaluation review and plan that specifies source reduction measures that the generator will implement and to prepare a hazardous waste management performance report concerning the hazardous waste management approaches implemented by the generator. A generator is required to provide its review and plan or report to the Department of Toxic Substances Control or the unified program agency within 30 days of a request. The act requires the department or the unified program agency to provide the generator with a notice of noncompliance if it determines that the review and plan or report is incomplete. The act requires the generator to correct the deficiencies within 60 days from its receipt of that notice, except that, in response to a written request from the generator for an extension of that 60-day deadline for cause, the act authorizes the department or unified program agency to grant an extension of no more than an additional 60 days. The act authorizes civil penalties against a generator that fails to comply with these requirements. This bill would instead limit that extension authorization to no more than an additional 30 days.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[AB 363](#) ([Bauer-Kahan D](#)) **Pesticides: neonicotinoids for nonagricultural use: reevaluation: control measures. (Amended: 3/6/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))**

Status: 3/7/2023-Re-referred to Com. on E.S. & T.M.

Location: 2/9/2023-A. E.S. & T.M.

Calendar: 3/14/2023 1:30 p.m. - State Capitol, Room 444 ASSEMBLY ENVIRONMENTAL SAFETY AND TOXIC MATERIALS, LEE, ALEX, Chair

Summary: Existing law generally regulates pesticide use by the Department of Pesticide Regulation, and requires the Director of Pesticide Regulation to endeavor to eliminate from use a pesticide that endangers the agricultural or nonagricultural environment. Existing law requires pesticides to be registered by the department, and requires that a pesticide be thoroughly evaluated prior to registration. Existing law provides for the continued evaluation of registered pesticides. Existing law requires the department, by July 1, 2018, to issue a determination with respect to its reevaluation of neonicotinoids and to adopt any control measures necessary to protect pollinator health within 2 years after making that determination. Existing law provides that every person who violates a provision of law or any regulation relating to pesticides is guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be punished by specified fines or by up to 6-months imprisonment, or both. This bill would require the department, by July 1, 2024, to issue a determination, taking into account the latest science, with respect to a reevaluation of neonicotinoids, as defined, on pollinating insects, aquatic ecosystems, and human health when used for the nonagricultural protection of outdoor ornamental plants, trees, and turf, and, by July 1, 2026, to adopt control measures for that use that are necessary to protect pollinating insects, aquatic ecosystems, and human health, as provided. The bill would require that the reevaluation consider the impacts to pollinating insects, aquatic ecosystems, and human health, including, except as provided, the cumulative impacts of exposure, which the bill would define for these purposes. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA		AA - Folder		

[AB 396](#) ([Fong, Vince R](#)) **Dams. (Introduced: 2/2/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))**

Status: 2/3/2023-From printer. May be heard in committee March 5.

Location: 2/2/2023-A. PRINT

Summary: Existing law regulates the construction and operation of dams and exempts certain structures for these purposes. Existing 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	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[AB 422](#) (Alanis R) Natural Resources Agency: statewide water storage: tracking. (

Introduced: 2/2/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 2/9/2023-Referred to Com. on W., P., & W.

Location: 2/9/2023-A. W.,P. & W.

Summary: Existing 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. Existing 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, 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	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[AB 429](#) (Bennett D) Groundwater wells: permits. (Amended: 3/2/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 3/6/2023-Re-referred to Com. on W., P., & W.

Location: 3/2/2023-A. W.,P. & W.

Summary: Existing 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 existing 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. Existing law, 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. Under the bill, these conditions would include a requirement that the county, city, or other water well permitting agency obtain a written verification from the groundwater sustainability agency that manages the basin or area of the basin where the well is proposed to be located determining that, among other things, the extraction by the proposed well would not be inconsistent with a sustainable groundwater management program, as provided, and that the proposed well would not decrease the likelihood of achieving a sustainability goal for the basin covered by such a plan. The bill would prescribe certain exemptions from these provisions. By imposing additional requirements on a local agency, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program. This bill contains other existing laws.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[AB 453](#) ([Cervantes D](#)) District-based elections. (Introduced: 2/6/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 2/17/2023-Referred to Coms. on ELECTIONS and L. GOV.

Location: 2/17/2023-A. ELECTIONS

Calendar: 3/15/2023 9 a.m. - State Capitol, Room 444 ASSEMBLY ELECTIONS, BRYAN, ISAAC, Chair

Summary: Existing law provides for political subdivisions that encompass areas of representation within the state. With respect to these areas, public officials are generally elected by all of the voters of the political subdivision (at-large) or by districts formed within the political subdivision (district-based). Existing law requires a political subdivision that changes from an at-large method of election to a district-based election, or that establishes district-based elections, to perform various actions before a public hearing at which it votes upon an ordinance establishing district-based elections. Among these actions, the political subdivision must hold at least 2 public hearings before drawing a draft map of the proposed boundaries and at least 2 public hearings after all maps are drawn, and invite the public's input at these hearings. This bill would require a public hearing concerning district-based elections, as described above, that is consolidated with a meeting of the governing body of the political subdivision that includes other substantive agenda items, to begin at a fixed time regardless of its order on the agenda. The bill would require the governing body to provide notice of the hearing to the public. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[AB 460](#) ([Bauer-Kahan D](#)) State Water Resources Control Board: interim relief. (Introduced: 2/6/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 2/17/2023-Referred to Coms. on W., P., & W. and JUD.

Location: 2/17/2023-A. W.,P. & W.

Summary: The California Constitution requires the reasonable and beneficial use of water. Under the public trust doctrine, the State Water Resources Control Board, among other state agencies, is

required to take the public trust into account in the planning and allocation of water resources and to protect the public trust whenever feasible. The board and the California regional water quality control boards are required to set forth water quality objectives in state and regional water quality control plans. Existing law establishes the Water Rights Fund, which consists of various fees and penalties. The moneys in the Water Rights Fund are available upon appropriation by the Legislature for the administration of the board's water rights program. Existing law requires that the owner of any dam allow sufficient water at all times to pass through a fishway, or in the absence of a fishway, allow sufficient water to pass over, around, or through the dam, to keep in good condition any fish that may be planted or exist below the dam, as specified. This bill would authorize the board to issue, on its own motion or upon the petition of an interested party, an interim relief order in appropriate circumstances to implement or enforce these and related provisions of law. The bill would provide that a person or entity that violates any interim relief order issued by the board would be liable to the board for a civil penalty in an amount not to exceed the sum of \$10,000 for each day in which a violation occurs and \$5,000 for each acre-foot of water diverted in violation of the interim relief order. The bill would require these funds to be deposited in the Water Rights Fund. This bill contains other existing laws.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[AB 480](#) (Ting D) Surplus land. (Introduced: 2/7/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 2/17/2023-Referred to Coms. on L. GOV. and H. & C.D.

Location: 2/17/2023-A. L. GOV.

Summary: Existing law prescribes requirements for the disposal of surplus land by a local agency, as defined, and requires, except as provided, a local agency disposing of surplus land to comply with certain notice requirements before disposing of the land or participating in negotiations to dispose of the land with a prospective transferee, particularly that the local agency send a notice of availability to specified entities that have notified the Department of Housing and Community Development of their interest in surplus land, as specified. Under existing law, if the local agency receives a notice of interest, the local agency is required to engage in good faith negotiations with the entity desiring to purchase or lease the surplus land. Existing law defines terms for purposes of these provisions, including the term "exempt surplus land," which includes, among other things, surplus land that is put out to open, competitive bid by a local agency, as specified, for purposes of a mixed-use development that is more than one acre in area, that includes not less than 300 housing units, and that restricts at least 25% of the residential units to lower income households with an affordable sales price or an affordable rent for a minimum of 55 years for rental housing and 45 years for ownership housing. This bill would modify these provisions to require that the mixed-use development include not less than 300 residential units.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[AB 541](#) (Wood D) California Safe Drinking Water Act: wildfire aftermath: benzene testing. (

Introduced: 2/8/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 2/17/2023-Referred to Com. on E.S. & T.M.

Location: 2/17/2023-A. E.S. & T.M.

Summary: The California Safe Drinking Water Act provides for the operation of public water systems and imposes on the State Water Resources Control Board various responsibilities and duties relating to the regulation of drinking water to protect public health. This bill would direct the board, on or after January 1, 2024, to require a public water system, water corporation, or water district that has experienced a major wildfire event within their service territory to test their water source for the presence of benzene immediately following that major wildfire event.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[AB 557](#) (**Hart D**) **Open meetings: local agencies: teleconferences.** (Introduced: 2/8/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 2/17/2023-Referred to Com. on L. GOV.

Location: 2/17/2023-A. L. GOV.

Summary: Existing law, the Ralph M. Brown Act, requires, with specified exceptions, that all meetings of a legislative body of a local agency, as those terms are defined, be open and public and that all persons be permitted to attend and participate. The act contains specified provisions regarding providing for the ability of the public to observe and provide comment. The act allows for meetings to occur via teleconferencing subject to certain requirements, particularly that the legislative body notice each teleconference location of each member that will be participating in the public meeting, that each teleconference location be accessible to the public, that members of the public be allowed to address the legislative body at each teleconference location, that the legislative body post an agenda at each teleconference location, and that at least a quorum of the legislative body participate from locations within the boundaries of the local agency's jurisdiction. The act provides an exemption to the jurisdictional requirement for health authorities, as defined. Existing law, until January 1, 2024, authorizes a local agency to use teleconferencing without complying with those specified teleconferencing requirements in specified circumstances when a declared state of emergency is in effect, or in other situations related to public health, as specified. If there is a continuing state of emergency, or if state or local officials have imposed or recommended measures to promote social distancing, existing law requires a legislative body to make specified findings not later than 30 days after the first teleconferenced meeting, and to make those findings every 30 days thereafter, in order to continue to meet under these abbreviated teleconferencing procedures. Existing law requires a legislative body that holds a teleconferenced meeting under these abbreviated teleconferencing procedures to give notice of the meeting and post agendas, as described, to allow members of the public to access the meeting and address the legislative body, to give notice of the means by which members of the public may access the meeting and offer public comment, including an opportunity for all persons to attend via a call-in option or an internet-based service option. Existing law prohibits a legislative body that holds a teleconferenced meeting under these abbreviated teleconferencing procedures from requiring public comments to be submitted in advance of the meeting and would specify that the legislative body must provide an opportunity for the public to address the legislative body and offer comment in real time. This bill would extend the above-described abbreviated teleconferencing provisions when a declared state of emergency is in effect, or in other situations related to public health, as specified, indefinitely. The bill would also extend the period for a legislative body to make the above-described findings related to a continuing state of emergency and social distancing to not later than 45 days after the first teleconferenced meeting, and every 45 days thereafter, in order to continue to meet under the abbreviated

teleconferencing procedures. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

AB 604 (Lee D) **Mobilehome parks: water utility charges.** (Introduced: 2/9/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 2/17/2023-Referred to Com. on H. & C.D.

Location: 2/17/2023-A. H. & C.D.

Summary: Existing law, the Mobilehome Residency Law, governs the term and conditions of mobilehome park tenancies. Existing law, if the management of a mobilehome park elects to separately bill water utility service to homeowners, limits charges and fees on homeowners in connection with those services to specified types of charges and fees. Existing law authorizes the Public Utilities Commission to regulate public utilities, including water corporations. Under existing law, a person or corporation that maintains a mobilehome park and provides water service to users through a submeter service system is not a public utility and is not subject to the jurisdiction, control, or regulation of the commission if each user of the submeter service system is charged at the rate which would be applicable if the user were receiving the water directly from the water corporation. Under existing law, a mobilehome park that provides water service only to its tenants from water supplies and facilities that it owns, not otherwise dedicated to public service, is not a water corporation, but that mobilehome park is subject to the jurisdiction of the commission to the extent that, if a complaint is filed with the commission by tenants of the mobilehome park that represent 10% or more of the park's water service connections during any 12-month period, claiming that the water rates charged by the park are not just and reasonable or that the service is inadequate, the commission has jurisdiction to determine the merits of the complaint and determine whether the rates charged are just and reasonable and whether the water service provided is adequate. Existing law prohibits the commission from making an order for the payment of reimbursement upon the ground of unjustness or unreasonableness if the rate in question has been previously declared by formal finding of the commission to be reasonable. This bill would prohibit the commission from making an order for the payment of reimbursement upon the ground of unjustness or unreasonableness if the rate in question complies with limitations on charges and fees in connection with water utility service under the Mobilehome Residency Law. The bill would provide that a person or other entity that maintains a mobilehome park or a multiple unit residential complex, and provides water service through a submeter service system, is exempt from regulation as a public utility if management of the mobilehome park complies with those limitations on charges and fees. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

AB 664 (Lee D) **California Safe Drinking Water Act: domestic wells.** (Introduced: 2/9/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 2/17/2023-Referred to Com. on E.S. & T.M.

Location: 2/17/2023-A. E.S. & T.M.

Calendar: 3/14/2023 1:30 p.m. - State Capitol, Room 444 ASSEMBLY ENVIRONMENTAL SAFETY AND TOXIC MATERIALS, LEE, ALEX, Chair

Summary: The California Safe Drinking Water Act provides for the operation of public water

systems and imposes on the State Water Resources Control Board various duties and responsibilities for the regulation and control of drinking water in the state. Existing law authorizes the board to order consolidation where a disadvantaged community, in whole or in part, is substantially reliant on domestic wells that consistently fail to provide an adequate supply of safe drinking water, or are at-risk domestic wells. Existing law provides that any domestic well owner within the consolidation or extended service area that does not provide written consent shall be ineligible, until the consent is provided, for any future water-related grant funding from the state other than funding to mitigate a well failure, disaster, or other emergency. Existing law makes it a crime to knowingly commit several acts related to safe drinking water, including violating an order issued by the board pursuant to the act that has a substantial probability of presenting an imminent danger to the health of persons. This bill would require any domestic well owner within the consolidation or extended service area that does not provide written consent to ensure that tenants of rental properties served solely by that domestic well have access to safe drinking water until consent is provided. To the extent that knowingly violating an order of the board to provide safe drinking water from a domestic well would expand the scope of a crime, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[AB 676](#) (**[Bennett D](#)**) **Water: general state policy.** (Introduced: 2/13/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 2/23/2023-Referred to Coms. on W., P., & W. and E.S. & T.M.

Location: 2/23/2023-A. W.,P. & W.

Calendar: 3/28/2023 9 a.m. - State Capitol, Room 444 ASSEMBLY WATER, PARKS AND WILDLIFE, BAUER-KAHAN, REBECCA, Chair

Summary: Existing law establishes various state water policies, including the policy that the use of water for domestic purposes is the highest use of water and that the next highest use is for irrigation. This bill would instead declare that the use of water for health and safety purposes is the highest use of water.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA		AA - Folder		

[AB 682](#) (**[Mathis R](#)**) **State Water Resources Control Board: online search tool: funding applications.** (Amended: 2/23/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 2/27/2023-Re-referred to Com. on E.S. & T.M.

Location: 2/23/2023-A. E.S. & T.M.

Calendar: 3/28/2023 1:30 p.m. - State Capitol, Room 444 ASSEMBLY ENVIRONMENTAL SAFETY AND TOXIC MATERIALS, LEE, ALEX, Chair

Summary: Existing 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. Existing 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. Existing law continuously appropriates to the state board moneys deposited in the fund to

consolidate water systems, or extend drinking water services to other public water systems, domestic wells, and state small water systems, among other things. Existing law requires the state board to expend moneys in the fund for grants, loans, contracts, or services to assist eligible recipients. 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 the date the state board expects to complete its reviews and award funding, among other information, as specified.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[AB 753](#) (Papan D) State Water Pollution Cleanup and Abatement Account: annual proceed transfers. (Introduced: 2/13/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 2/23/2023-Referred to Com. on E.S. & T.M.

Location: 2/23/2023-A. E.S. & T.M.

Calendar: 3/28/2023 1:30 p.m. - State Capitol, Room 444 ASSEMBLY ENVIRONMENTAL SAFETY AND TOXIC MATERIALS, LEE, ALEX, Chair

Summary: Under existing law, the State Water Resources Control Board and the 9 California regional water quality control boards regulate water quality and prescribe waste discharge requirements in accordance with the federal national pollutant discharge elimination system (NPDES) permit program established by the federal Clean Water Act and the Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act. Existing law requires each regional board to formulate and adopt water quality control plans for all areas within the region, as provided. Existing 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 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, existing 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 within the Waste Discharge Permit Fund the Waterway Recovery Account, 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, 50% 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 to expend for the following purposes: for restoration projects that improve water quality standards, as specified; for the Clean Water Team Citizen Monitoring Program, to increase water quality monitoring; and to create and fund a community capacity program to increase disadvantaged and tribal community participation in state board and regional board outreach and regulatory processes, as specified. This bill contains other existing laws.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA		AA - Folder		

[AB 754](#) **(Papan D) Water leases.** (Introduced: 2/13/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 2/14/2023-From printer. May be heard in committee March 16.

Location: 2/13/2023-A. PRINT

Summary: Existing law authorizes surface water to be leased for a period not to exceed 5 years to assist water conservation efforts pursuant to specified terms and conditions. This bill would make a nonsubstantive change in these provisions.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA		AA - Folder		

[AB 756](#) **(Papan D) Department of Transportation: contaminated stormwater runoff: salmon and steelhead trout bearing surface waters.** (Amended: 3/2/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 3/6/2023-Re-referred to Com. on TRANS.

Location: 3/2/2023-A. TRANS.

Calendar: 3/27/2023 2:30 p.m. - 1021 O Street, Room 1100
ASSEMBLY TRANSPORTATION, FRIEDMAN, LAURA, Chair

Summary: Existing law vests the Department of Transportation with full possession and control of all state highways. This bill would require the department, 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. This bill contains other related provisions.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[AB 779](#) **(Wilson D) Groundwater: adjudication.** (Introduced: 2/13/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 2/23/2023-Referred to Coms. on W., P., & W. and JUD.

Location: 2/23/2023-A. W.,P. & W.

Calendar: 3/28/2023 9 a.m. - State Capitol, Room 444 ASSEMBLY WATER, PARKS AND WILDLIFE, BAUER-KAHAN, REBECCA, Chair

Summary: (1)Existing law establishes various methods and procedures for a comprehensive adjudication of groundwater rights in civil court.This bill would require the plaintiff and defendant involved in an adjudication to forward all relevant pleading and briefing materials to the Department

of Water Resources after a decision has been rendered by the court. The bill would require the department to post the documents on its internet website in the interest of transparency and accessibility, as specified. The bill would require the court to invite a representative from the department or the State Water Resources Control Board to provide technical assistance or expert testimony on the amount of water in the basin subject to adjudication, equitable and sustainable pumping allocations for the basin, and sustainable groundwater management best practices and recommendations. The bill would require the court to take into account the needs of small farmers and disadvantaged communities, as those terms are defined, when entering a judgment. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[AB 805](#) (Arambula D) Drinking water: consolidation. (Introduced: 2/13/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 2/14/2023-From printer. May be heard in committee March 16.

Location: 2/13/2023-A. PRINT

Summary: Existing law, the California Safe Drinking Water Act, provides for the operation of public water systems and imposes on the State Water Resources Control Board various responsibilities and duties. The act authorizes the state board to order consolidation with, or extension of service from, a receiving water system in either of the following circumstances: (1) a public water system or state small water system, serving a disadvantaged community, consistently fails to provide an adequate supply of safe drinking water, or is an at-risk water system, or 2) a disadvantaged community, in whole or in part, is substantially reliant on domestic wells that consistently fail to provide an adequate supply of safe drinking water, or are at-risk domestic wells. This bill would state the intent of the Legislature to enact subsequent legislation to authorize the board to order consolidation of wastewater.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

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

Introduced: 2/13/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 2/23/2023-Referred to Com. on W., P., & W.

Location: 2/23/2023-A. W.,P. & W.

Summary: Existing law requires the Department of Fish and Wildlife to contract with the University of California to conduct a study on the effects of reduced waterflows in certain rivers on salmon and steelhead populations and restoration or reintroduction programs, subject to the availability of funds. Additionally, the Salmon, Steelhead Trout, and Anadromous Fisheries Program Act, among other things, requires the department, with the advice of specified committees, to prepare and maintain a detailed and comprehensive program for the protection and increase of salmon, steelhead trout, and anadromous fisheries. This bill would require the department to establish the California Monitoring Program to collect comprehensive data on coastal and inland salmonid populations, in coordination with relevant federal and state agencies, to inform salmon and steelhead recovery, conservation, and management activities. 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. The bill would make operation of the above-mentioned provisions contingent upon an appropriation in the annual Budget Act or another statute for these purposes.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[AB 817](#) ([Pacheco D](#)) Local government: open meetings. (Introduced: 2/13/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 2/14/2023-From printer. May be heard in committee March 16.

Location: 2/13/2023-A. PRINT

Summary: Existing law, the Ralph M. Brown Act, requires each legislative body of a local agency to provide notice of the time and place for its regular meetings and an agenda containing a brief general description of each item of business to be transacted. The act also requires that all meetings of a legislative body be open and public, and that all persons be permitted to attend unless a closed session is authorized. This bill would make nonsubstantive changes to a provision of the Ralph M. Brown Act.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[AB 828](#) ([Connolly D](#)) Sustainable groundwater management: managed wetlands. (

Amended: 3/2/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 3/6/2023-Re-referred to Com. on W., P., & W.

Location: 3/2/2023-A. W.,P. & W.

Summary: Existing law, 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. Existing 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	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[AB 830](#) ([Soria D](#)) Water: general state powers. (Introduced: 2/13/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 2/14/2023-From printer. May be heard in committee March 16.

Location: 2/13/2023-A. PRINT

Summary: Existing law, 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. Existing 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. This bill would make a nonsubstantive change to the latter provision.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[AB 837](#) (**[Alvarez D](#)**) **Surplus land: exempt surplus land: SPA plans.** (Introduced: 2/14/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 2/23/2023-Referred to Coms. on L. GOV. and H. & C.D.

Location: 2/23/2023-A. L. GOV.

Summary: Existing law prescribes requirements for the disposal of surplus land by a local agency. Existing law defines terms for these purposes, including, among others, “surplus land” to mean land owned in fee simple by any local agency for which the local agency’s governing body takes formal action in a regular public meeting declaring that the land is surplus and is not necessary for the agency’s use. Existing law defines “exempt surplus land” to mean, among other things, surplus land that a local agency is exchanging for another property necessary for the agency’s use and surplus land that a local agency is transferring to another local, state, or federal agency for the agency’s use. Existing law provides that an agency is not required to follow the requirements for disposal of surplus land for “exempt surplus land,” except as provided. This bill would add to the definition of “exempt surplus land” land acquired by a local agency for the development of a university and innovation district in accordance with a sectional plan area (SPA) plan adopted by the local agency prior to January 1, 2019, provided that the land is developed in a manner substantially consistent with the SPA plan. This bill contains other related provisions.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[AB 838](#) (**[Connolly D](#)**) **California Water Affordability and Infrastructure Transparency Act of 2023.** (Introduced: 2/14/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 2/23/2023-Referred to Com. on E.S. & T.M.

Location: 2/23/2023-A. E.S. & T.M.

Calendar: 3/28/2023 1:30 p.m. - State Capitol, Room 444 ASSEMBLY ENVIRONMENTAL SAFETY AND TOXIC MATERIALS, LEE, ALEX, Chair

Summary: Existing law, 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. Existing 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. Existing law provides that a specified violation of the act is a crime. This bill would require, on January 1, 2025, and annually thereafter, public water systems to provide specified information and data related to customer water bills and efforts to replace aging infrastructure to the state board. By requiring information and data to be provided to the state board, this bill would expand the scope of a crime and create a state-mandated local program. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA		AA - Folder		

[AB 896](#) ([Aguiar-Curry D](#)) **The California Water Plan. (Introduced: 2/14/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))**

Status: 2/15/2023-From printer. May be heard in committee March 17.

Location: 2/14/2023-A. PRINT

Summary: Existing 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 make nonsubstantive changes to those provisions.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA		AA - Folder		

[AB 900](#) ([Bennett D](#)) **Aquifer recharge: grant program: streamlined permitting. (Introduced: 2/14/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))**

Status: 2/23/2023-Referred to Com. on W., P., & W.

Location: 2/23/2023-A. W.,P. & W.

Summary: Existing law establishes the Department of Water Resources in the Natural Resources Agency. Existing law authorizes the department to investigate any natural situation available for reservoirs or reservoir systems for gathering and distributing flood or other water not under beneficial use in any stream, stream system, lake, or other body of water. Existing law also authorizes the department to ascertain the feasibility of projects for those reservoirs or reservoir systems, the supply of water that may thereby be made available, and the extent and character of the areas that may be thereby irrigated, as well as the cost of those projects. The bill would require the department to prepare and produce a report outlining best practices for aquifer recharge. The bill would require the report to include guidelines for a streamlined permitting process for aquifer recharge projects that implement the best practices outlined in the report. The bill would also require the department to create a grant program to implement best practices in aquifer recharge, including a streamlined process for the issuance of a permit.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[AB 1024](#) ([Aguiar-Curry D](#)) **Water rights: small irrigation use: lake or streambed alteration agreements. (Amended: 3/2/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))**

Status: 3/6/2023-Re-referred to Com. on W., P., & W.

Location: 3/2/2023-A. W.,P. & W.

Summary: Existing law, 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 a registrant to store water for small irrigation use during times of high streamflow in exchange for the registrant reducing diversions during periods of low streamflow, as specified. The bill would require that the actions of the board under these provisions be deemed an action taken for the protection of the environment for purposes of specified California Environmental Quality Act guidelines, if those actions do not result in the relaxation of streamflow standards.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[AB 1072](#) (Wicks D) Water use efficiency. (Introduced: 2/15/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 2/16/2023-From printer. May be heard in committee March 18.

Location: 2/15/2023-A. PRINT

Summary: Existing law requires the State Water Resources Control Board, in conjunction with the Department of Water Resources, to adopt long-term standards for the efficient use of water, as provided, on or before June 30, 2022. This bill would provide that it is the intent of the Legislature to enact subsequent legislation that will address issues related to water use efficiency.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[AB 1152](#) (Patterson, Joe R) California Environmental Quality Act: exemption: recycled water. (Introduced: 2/16/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 3/2/2023-Referred to Com. on NAT. RES.

Location: 3/2/2023-A. NAT. RES.

Summary: Existing law, 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. CEQA exempts certain projects from its requirements. This bill would exempt from CEQA a project to construct or expand a recycled water pipeline for the purpose of mitigating drought conditions for which a state of emergency was proclaimed by the Governor if the project meets specified criteria. Because a lead agency would be required to determine if a project qualifies for this exemption, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program. The bill would also exempt from CEQA the development and approval of building standards by state agencies for recycled water systems. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[AB 1196](#) ([Villapudua D](#)) **Water Quality, Supply, and Infrastructure Improvement Act of 2014. (Introduced: 2/16/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))**

Status: 2/17/2023-From printer. May be heard in committee March 19.

Location: 2/16/2023-A. PRINT

Summary: Existing law, 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. Existing 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	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[AB 1205](#) ([Bauer-Kahan D](#)) **Water: permits and licenses: temporary changes: water or water rights transfers. (Introduced: 2/16/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))**

Status: 2/17/2023-From printer. May be heard in committee March 19.

Location: 2/16/2023-A. PRINT

Summary: Existing law authorizes the State Water Resources Control Board to consider a petition for a long-term water or water rights transfer involving a change of point of diversion, place of use, or purpose of use. Existing law requires a long-term transfer to be for a period over one year. Existing law requires, after the expiration of that long-term transfer period, all rights to automatically revert to the original holders of the right without any action by the board. This bill would make a nonsubstantive change to that later provision.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[AB 1211](#) (Mathis R) Safe Drinking Water State Revolving Fund: internet website information: updates. (Introduced: 2/16/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#).)

Status: 3/2/2023-Referred to Com. on E.S. & T.M.

Location: 3/2/2023-A. E.S. & T.M.

Summary: Existing law, 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. Existing 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	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[AB 1216](#) (Muratsuchi D) Wastewater treatment plants: monitoring of emissions. (Introduced: 2/16/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#).)

Status: 2/17/2023-From printer. May be heard in committee March 19.

Location: 2/16/2023-A. PRINT

Summary: The California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006 designates the State Air Resources Board as the state agency charged with monitoring and regulating sources of emissions of greenhouse gases. Existing law requires the State Water Resources Control Board to classify types of wastewater treatment plants, as defined, for the purpose of determining the levels of competence necessary to operate them. This bill would state the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation that would relate to improving the monitoring of emissions from wastewater treatment plants.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[AB 1272](#) (Wood D) State Water Resources Control Board: drought planning. (Introduced: 2/16/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#).)

Status: 3/2/2023-Referred to Com. on W., P., & W.

Location: 3/2/2023-A. W.,P. & W.

Summary: Existing law establishes within the Natural Resources Agency the State Water Resources Control Board and the California regional water quality control boards. Existing law requires the state board to formulate and adopt state policy for water quality control. The bill would require the state board to establish a program, 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 provide for the development of 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. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[AB 1284](#) (Ramos D) Tribal ancestral lands and waters. (Introduced: 2/16/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 2/17/2023-From printer. May be heard in committee March 19.

Location: 2/16/2023-A. PRINT

Summary: Existing law governs various interactions between the state and federally recognized Native American tribes within the state. Existing law encourages and authorizes state agencies, as defined, to cooperate with federally recognized California Indian tribes on matters of economic development and improvement for the tribes. This bill would state the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation that recognizes the Natural Resources Agency’s ability to enter into cogovernance and management agreements with federally recognized Indian tribes and authorizes the agency to do so.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[AB 1337](#) (Wicks D) State Water Resources Control Board: water shortage enforcement. (

Introduced: 2/16/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 3/2/2023-Referred to Coms. on W., P., & W. and JUD.

Location: 3/2/2023-A. W.,P. & W.

Summary: Existing law establishes the State Water Resources Control Board in the California Environmental Protection Agency and vests the board with various powers and duties, including, among other things, to ascertain whether or not water heretofore filed upon or attempted to be appropriated is appropriated under the laws of this state. Existing law authorizes the board to adopt emergency regulations if, among other things, the regulations are adopted to prevent the waste, unreasonable use, unreasonable method of use, or unreasonable method of diversion, of water, to promote water recycling or water conservation, to require curtailment of diversions when water is not available under the diverter’s priority of right, or in furtherance of any of the foregoing, to require reporting of diversion or use or the preparation of monitoring reports. This bill would authorize the board to adopt regulations for various water conservation purposes, including, but not limited to, to prevent the waste, unreasonable use, unreasonable method of use, or unreasonable method of diversion of water, and to implement these regulations through orders curtailing the diversion or use of water under any claim of right. The bill would require the board to provide notice and an opportunity to be heard before issuing an order, except where an opportunity to be heard before the issuance of an order would be impractical given the likelihood of harm to the purposes of the various water conservation regulations. The bill would provide that a person or entity may be civilly liable for

a violation of any regulation or order issued by the board pursuant to these provisions in an amount not to exceed \$1,000 for each day in which the violation has occurred and \$2,500 for each acre-foot of water diverted or used in violation of the applicable requirement. The bill would authorize the imposition of this civil liability by the superior court, as specified, or administratively by the board. The bill would provide that a regulation or order issued by the board pursuant to these provisions, or by emergency regulation, is exempt from CEQA. This bill contains other existing laws.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[AB 1348](#) (Grayson D) Local government: open meetings. (Introduced: 2/16/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 2/17/2023-From printer. May be heard in committee March 19.

Location: 2/16/2023-A. PRINT

Summary: Existing law, the California Public Records Act, requires state agencies and local agencies to make public records available for inspection, subject to specified criteria, and with specified exceptions. Existing law, the Ralph M. Brown Act, requires the meetings of the legislative body of a local agency to be conducted openly and publicly, with specified exceptions. Existing law makes agendas of public meetings and other writings distributed to the members of the governing board disclosable public records, with certain exceptions. This bill would make nonsubstantive changes to the public record provisions governing the writings related to agendas of public meetings.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[AB 1364](#) (Carrillo, Juan D) Fish and wildlife protection and conservation: lake or streambed alterations. (Introduced: 2/17/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 2/18/2023-From printer. May be heard in committee March 20.

Location: 2/17/2023-A. PRINT

Summary: Existing 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	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[AB 1379](#) (Papan D) Local agencies: financial affairs. (Introduced: 2/17/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 2/18/2023-From printer. May be heard in committee March 20.

Location: 2/17/2023-A. PRINT

Summary: Existing law requires that the officer of each local agency who has charge of the financial records furnish to the Controller a report of all the financial transactions of the local agency during the preceding fiscal year. If a local agency maintains an internet website, existing law requires that the local agency post information on the annual compensation of its elected officials, as specified. This bill would make nonsubstantive changes to that law.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[AB 1460](#) (Bennett D) Local government. (Introduced: 2/17/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 2/18/2023-From printer. May be heard in committee March 20.

Location: 2/17/2023-A. PRINT

Summary: Existing law, the Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000, provides the exclusive authority and procedure for the initiation, conduct, and completion of changes of organization and reorganization for cities and districts, except as specified. This bill would make a nonsubstantive change to the provision naming the act.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[AB 1488](#) (Wallis R) California Environmental Quality Act: water conveyance or storage projects: judicial review. (Introduced: 2/17/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 2/18/2023-From printer. May be heard in committee March 20.

Location: 2/17/2023-A. PRINT

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 the lead agency 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 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 water conveyance or storage projects, as defined, or the granting of 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 water conveyance or storage project, as provided, and to include a specified notice in the draft EIR and final EIR for the water conveyance or storage project. By imposing additional duties on lead agencies, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[AB 1563](#) (Bennett D) Groundwater sustainability agency: groundwater extraction permit: verification. (Introduced: 2/17/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 2/18/2023-From printer. May be heard in committee March 20.

Location: 2/17/2023-A. PRINT

Summary: Existing law, 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. Existing 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. Existing 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. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

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SCV Water Agency	DKA AA		AA - Folder		

[AB 1567](#) (Garcia D) Safe Drinking Water, Wildfire Prevention, Drought Preparation, Flood Protection, Extreme Heat Mitigation, and Workforce Development Bond Act of 2023. (

Introduced: 2/17/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 2/18/2023-From printer. May be heard in committee March 20.

Location: 2/17/2023-A. PRINT

Summary: The California Drought, Water, Parks, Climate, Coastal Protection, and Outdoor Access For All Act of 2018, approved by the voters as Proposition 68 at the June 5, 2018, statewide primary election, authorizes the issuance of bonds in the amount of \$4,100,000,000 pursuant to the State General Obligation Bond Law to finance a drought, water, parks, climate, coastal protection, and outdoor access for all program. Article XVI of the California Constitution requires measures authorizing general obligation bonds to specify the single object or work to be funded by the bonds and further requires a bond act to be approved by a 2/3 vote of each house of the Legislature and a majority of the voters. This bill would enact the Safe Drinking Water, Wildfire Prevention, Drought Preparation, Flood Protection, Extreme Heat Mitigation, and Workforce Development Bond Act of 2023, which, if approved by the voters, would authorize the issuance of bonds in the amount of \$15,105,000,000 pursuant to the State General Obligation Bond Law to finance projects for safe

drinking water, wildfire prevention, drought preparation, flood protection, extreme heat mitigation, and workforce development programs.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA		AA - Folder		

[AB 1572](#) (Friedman D) Potable water: nonfunctional turf. (Introduced: 2/17/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 2/18/2023-From printer. May be heard in committee March 20.

Location: 2/17/2023-A. PRINT

Summary: Existing 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	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[AB 1573](#) (Friedman D) Water conservation: landscape plants: nonfunctional turf. (

Introduced: 2/17/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 2/18/2023-From printer. May be heard in committee March 20.

Location: 2/17/2023-A. PRINT

Summary: Existing law, the Water Conservation in Landscaping Act, requires the Director of Water Resources to convene a working group comprised of representatives from the landscape nursery industry, the agricultural community, the landscape retail industry, environmental organizations, urban water agencies, and other professionals to examine the current state of consumer information available and accessible regarding water use associated with landscape plants and to explore and identify options for improving the availability, accessibility, and quality of consumer information regarding water use associated with landscape plants, as specified. This bill would delete that requirement. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[AB 1596](#) (Alvarez D) Watershed, Clean Beaches, and Water Quality Act: beaches: water quality. (

Introduced: 2/17/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 2/18/2023-From printer. May be heard in committee March 20.

Location: 2/17/2023-A. PRINT

Summary: Existing law, the Watershed, Clean Beaches, and Water Quality Act, among other things,

provides that it is the intent of the Legislature that the purpose of maintaining clean beaches, clean water, and an integrated and coordinated watershed program is to protect beaches, coastal waters, rivers, lakes, and streams from contaminants, pollution, and other environmental threats. The act requires the State Water Resources Control Board, in consultation with the State Coastal Conservancy, to award grants to public agencies and nonprofit organizations for projects designed to improve water quality at public beaches, as specified. This bill would require the board, to the extent feasible, to identify and implement projects to improve beach access and address ocean water quality on public beaches that experience significant restrictions of use, as defined, due to bacteria levels that exceed public health standards, whether the source is from urban runoff or transboundary flows.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

AB 1597 (**Alvarez D**) **Water quality: California-Mexico cross-border rivers.** (Introduced: 2/17/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 2/18/2023-From printer. May be heard in committee March 20.

Location: 2/17/2023-A. PRINT

Summary: Existing law establishes the California Border Environmental and Public Health Protection Fund in the State Treasury to receive funds appropriated in the annual Budget Act, including, but not limited to, proceeds of bonds sold as specified, and other sources, such as from the North American Development Bank (NADBank), and makes money in the fund available, upon appropriation, to the California-Mexico Border Relations Council, a state entity. Money in the fund is used to assist local governments in implementation of projects to identify and resolve environmental and public health problems that directly threaten the health or environmental quality of California residents or sensitive natural resources of the California border region, among other purposes. This bill would make \$50,000,000 available from the General Fund, upon appropriation by the Legislature in the annual Budget Act or another statute, to the NADBank for loans, grants, and direct expenditures to address water quality problems arising in the California-Mexico cross-border rivers. The bill would require the funding to be available for specified purposes, as provided, including water quality projects for the Tijuana River, and would make 10% of the funding available for the administrative costs of implementing these provisions. The bill would authorize funding provided for activities or projects in the State of Baja California to be provided through direct expenditures and for grants to an eligible funding recipient authorized to work in Mexico under a specified circumstance. The bill would authorize grant funding to be conditioned on enforceability and accountability mechanisms agreed upon by the State Water Resources Control Board and the recipient. The bill would require the California Environmental Protection Agency to notify the leadership office in each house of the Legislature on cross-border collaboration and the expenditure of the funding, as provided. This bill contains other related provisions.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

AB 1611 (**Lowenthal D**) **Fish and Game Code: violations.** (Introduced: 2/17/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 2/18/2023-From printer. May be heard in committee March 20.

Location: 2/17/2023-A. PRINT

Summary: Existing 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. Existing law makes a violation of specified regulations and provisions of the code an infraction or a misdemeanor. This bill would state the intent of the Legislature to enact subsequent legislation to allow various “paperwork” type violations of the Fish and Game Code to be prosecuted as an infraction or a misdemeanor.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[AB 1613](#) ([Bains D](#)) **Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta: saltwater intrusion. (Introduced: 2/17/2023 [html pdf](#))**

Status: 2/18/2023-From printer. May be heard in committee March 20.

Location: 2/17/2023-A. PRINT

Summary: Existing law establishes in the Natural Resources Agency the Department of Water Resources. Existing law, the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Reform Act of 2009, declares that the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta is a critically important natural resource for California and the nation. This bill would state the intent of the Legislature to enact future legislation requiring the Department of Water Resources to identify permanent and temporary salinity barriers that would reduce the amount of fresh water outflow required to combat saltwater intrusion into the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[AB 1621](#) ([Calderon D](#)) **Public water system: operation. (Introduced: 2/17/2023 [html pdf](#))**

Status: 2/18/2023-From printer. May be heard in committee March 20.

Location: 2/17/2023-A. PRINT

Summary: Existing law prohibits any person from operating a public water system unless that person first submits an application to the State Water Resources Control Board and receives a permit. This bill would make nonsubstantive changes to this provision.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[AB 1625](#) ([Hart D](#)) **Public contracts: payment. (Introduced: 2/17/2023 [html pdf](#))**

Status: 2/18/2023-From printer. May be heard in committee March 20.

Location: 2/17/2023-A. PRINT

Summary: Existing law, the Local Agency Public Construction Act, sets forth the requirements for competitive bidding on various types of contracts awarded by local agencies. That act requires local agencies to pay undisputed portions of specified public works claims for payment, except as

otherwise provided for in the contract. This bill would make a nonsubstantive change to that provision.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[AB 1629](#) (**[Flora R](#)**) **Endangered species: locally designed voluntary programs.** (Introduced: 2/17/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 2/18/2023-From printer. May be heard in committee March 20.

Location: 2/17/2023-A. PRINT

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	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[AB 1631](#) (**[Schiavo D](#)**) **Water resources: permit to appropriate: application procedure: mining use.** (Introduced: 2/17/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 2/18/2023-From printer. May be heard in committee March 20.

Location: 2/17/2023-A. PRINT

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.

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[AB 1637](#) (Irwin D) Local governments: information security. (Introduced: 2/17/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 2/18/2023-From printer. May be heard in committee March 20.

Location: 2/17/2023-A. PRINT

Summary: Existing law, the Information Practices Act of 1977, requires an agency that owns or licenses computerized data that includes personal information, as defined, to disclose any breach of the security of the system following discovery or notification of the breach in the security of the data to any resident of California, as prescribed. The act defines “agency” to not include a local agency, as specified. This bill would express the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation that would relate to the security of information maintained by local governments and special districts.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[AB 1648](#) (Bains D) Water: Colorado River conservation. (Introduced: 2/17/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 2/18/2023-From printer. May be heard in committee March 20.

Location: 2/17/2023-A. PRINT

Summary: Under existing law, any person, public agency, or agency of the United States undertaking a water conservation effort that results in reduced use of water from the Colorado River within the Imperial Irrigation District, has not forfeited, diminished, or impaired the right to use the conserved water, except as provided between the parties and the United States. This bill would state that it is the intent of the Legislature to enact subsequent legislation that would prohibit the City and County of Los Angeles from achieving federally mandated conservation of Colorado River water supplies by increasing water imports from other regions, including the San Joaquin Valley.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA		AA - Folder		

[AB 1684](#) (Maienschein D) California Safe Drinking Water Act: public water systems: exemptions. (

Introduced: 2/17/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 2/18/2023-From printer. May be heard in committee March 20.

Location: 2/17/2023-A. PRINT

Summary: Existing law, the California Safe Drinking Water Act, provides for the operation of public water systems, as defined, and imposes on the State Water Resources Control Board various responsibilities and duties. The act prohibits a person from operating a public water system without a permit from the state board. The act exempts from its provisions a public water system that meets specified conditions, including, but not limited to, a public water system that obtains all of its water from, but is not owned or operated by, a public water system subject to the act. This bill would make nonsubstantive changes to the provision exempting certain public water systems from the act.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[AB 1736](#) (Carrillo, Juan D) Sustainable groundwater management: basin boundaries. (Introduced: 2/17/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 2/18/2023-From printer. May be heard in committee March 20.

Location: 2/17/2023-A. PRINT

Summary: Existing law, 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. The act requires the boundaries of a basin to be those identified in a specified report of the Department of Water Resources, unless other basin boundaries are established, as prescribed. This bill would make a nonsubstantive change in the provision relating to basin boundaries.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[ACA 2](#) (Alanis R) Public resources: Water and Wildfire Resiliency Act of 2023. (Introduced: 12/5/2022 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 12/6/2022-From printer. May be heard in committee January 5.

Location: 12/5/2022-A. PRINT

Summary: Existing provisions of the California Constitution require the specified use of General Fund revenues, as described. This measure 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	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[SB 3](#) (Dodd D) Discontinuation of residential water service: community water system. (Introduced: 12/5/2022 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 1/18/2023-Referred to Com. on E., U. & C.

Location: 1/18/2023-S. E. U., & C.

Summary: Existing law, the Water Shutoff Protection Act, prohibits an urban and community water

system, defined as a public water system that supplies water to more than 200 service connections, from discontinuing residential service for nonpayment, as specified, and requires specified procedures before it can discontinue residential service for nonpayment. Existing law defines a community water system as a public water system that serves at least 15 service connections used by yearlong residents or regularly serves at least 25 yearlong residents of the area served by the system. This bill would expand the scope of the Water Shutoff Protection Act by requiring that it instead apply to a community water system, defined to have the same meaning as existing law. The bill would require a community water system that supplies water to 200 service connections or fewer to comply with the act's provisions on and after August 1, 2024.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[SB 23](#) (Caballero D) Water supply and flood risk reduction projects: expedited permitting. (Amended: 2/9/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 2/22/2023-Re-referred to Coms. on N.R. & W. and E.Q.

Location: 2/22/2023-S. N.R. & W.

Summary: Existing 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 complete and submit environmental documentation to the department for the activity in the notification. The bill would require the department, under prescribed circumstances, to take specified actions within 180 days, or a mutually agreed-to extension of time, of receiving notification from a project proponent. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[SB 39](#) (Laird D) Sierra Nevada Conservancy: Sierra Nevada Region: subregions: climate resilience and equity. (Introduced: 12/5/2022 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 3/7/2023-Set for hearing March 28.

Location: 1/18/2023-S. N.R. & W.

Calendar: 3/28/2023 9:30 a.m. - 1021 O Street, Room 2100 SENATE NATURAL RESOURCES AND WATER, MIN, DAVE, Chair

Summary: Existing law establishes the Sierra Nevada Conservancy in the Natural Resources Agency and prescribes the functions and duties of the conservancy with regard to the preservation of specified lands in the Sierra Nevada Region, as defined, and the 6 subregions, as defined, in which the Sierra Nevada Region is located. This bill would revise and recast the definition of "subregion." The bill would require the conservancy to support efforts that advance climate resilience and equity. The bill would also make nonsubstantive and conforming changes.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[SB 48](#) (**[Becker D](#)**) **Water and Energy Savings Act.** (Amended: 3/1/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))
Status: 3/1/2023-From committee with author's amendments. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Com. on RLS.
Location: 12/5/2022-S. RLS.

Summary: Existing 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. This bill would expand those requirements, beginning January 1, 2025, to include each utility that provides water service and its water usage data. By imposing new duties on utilities that provide water service, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[SB 57](#) (**[Gonzalez D](#)**) **Utilities: extreme weather events.** (Introduced: 12/16/2022 [html](#) [pdf](#))
Status: 1/18/2023-Referred to Com. on RLS.
Location: 12/16/2022-S. RLS.

Summary: Existing law vests the Public Utilities Commission with regulatory authority over public utilities, while local publicly owned electric utilities, as defined, are under the direction of their governing boards. This bill would state the intent of the Legislature to enact future legislation to prohibit shutting off utility service during extreme weather events.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[SB 66](#) (**[Hurtado D](#)**) **Water: predictive models and data collection.** (Introduced: 1/5/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))
Status: 1/18/2023-Referred to Com. on RLS.
Location: 1/5/2023-S. RLS.

Summary: Existing law establishes the Department of Water Resources in the Natural Resources Agency and the State Water Resources Control Board in the California Environmental Protection Agency. Existing law requires the department, as part of updating The California Water Plan every five years, to conduct a study to determine the amount of water needed to meet the state's future needs and to recommend programs, policies, and facilities to meet those needs. This bill would state the intent of the Legislature to ensure that reliable predictive models and data collection systems are used to properly forecast and allocate surface water.

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[SB 79](#) (**[Nguyen R](#)**) **Coastal resources: preservation.** (Introduced: 1/12/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 1/25/2023-Referred to Com. on RLS.

Location: 1/12/2023-S. RLS.

Summary: The California Coastal Act of 1976 finds and declares that the basic goals of the state for the coastal zone are to, among other things, protect, maintain, and, where feasible, enhance and restore the overall quality of the coastal zone environment and its natural and artificial resources. This bill would provide that it is the intent of the Legislature to enact subsequent legislation that would establish policy addressing coastal preservation.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[SB 224](#) (**[Hurtado D](#)**) **Agricultural land: foreign ownership and interests: foreign governments.** (

Introduced: 1/19/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 3/7/2023-Set for hearing March 28.

Location: 2/1/2023-S. JUD.

Calendar: 3/28/2023 1:30 p.m. - 1021 O Street, Room 2100 SENATE JUDICIARY, UMBERG, THOMAS, Chair

Summary: Existing law provides that all property has an owner, whether that owner is the state, and the property is public, or the owner is an individual, and the property is private. This bill would prohibit a foreign government from purchasing, acquiring, leasing, or holding an 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. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA		AA - Folder		

[SB 231](#) (**[Hurtado D](#)**) **Drought modeling.** (Introduced: 1/23/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 2/1/2023-Referred to Com. on RLS.

Location: 1/23/2023-S. RLS.

Summary: Existing 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. Existing 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. This bill would state the intent of the Legislature to enact subsequent legislation to require the Department of Water Resources to modify

its predictive models as necessary to account for California's persistent drought.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[SB 233](#) (Skinner D) Energy: new zero-emission vehicles and electric vehicle supply equipment: bidirectional capability. (Introduced: 1/24/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 2/1/2023-Referred to Com. on RLS.

Location: 1/24/2023-S. RLS.

Summary: Existing law requires the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission to undertake various actions in furtherance of meeting the state's clean energy and pollution reduction objectives, including actions related to electric vehicles. This bill would state the Legislature's intent to enact future legislation to mandate that all new zero-emission vehicles and electric vehicle supply equipment sold in California have bidirectional capability by January 1, 2027, to the extent practical as determined by the commission.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[SB 240](#) (Ochoa Bogh R) Surplus state real property. (Introduced: 1/25/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 2/15/2023-Referred to Coms. on G.O. and HOUSING.

Location: 2/15/2023-S. G.O.

Summary: Existing law authorizes the Department of General Services to dispose of surplus state real property, as defined, as authorized by the Legislature, upon any terms and conditions and subject to any reservations and exceptions the department deems to be in the best interests of the state. Existing law requires the department to first offer surplus state real property to a local agency, as defined, and then to nonprofit affordable housing sponsors, as defined, prior to being offered for sale to private entities or individuals. Existing law requires a local agency or nonprofit affordable housing sponsor to satisfy certain requirements to be considered as a potential priority buyer of the surplus state real property, including that the local agency or nonprofit affordable housing sponsor demonstrate, to the satisfaction of the department, that the surplus state real property, or portion of that surplus state real property, is to be used by the local agency or nonprofit affordable housing sponsor for open space, public parks, affordable housing projects, or development of local government-owned facilities. Existing law authorizes the department to sell surplus state real property, or a portion of surplus state real property, to a local agency, or to a nonprofit affordable housing sponsor if no local agency is interested in the surplus state real property, for affordable housing projects at a sales price less than fair market value if the department determines that such a discount will enable the provision of housing for persons and families of low or moderate income. Existing law also authorizes the Director of General Services to transfer surplus state real property to a local agency for less than fair market value if the agency uses the surplus state real property for parks or open-space purposes. This bill would remove authorization for a local agency or nonprofit affordable housing sponsor to be considered as a potential priority buyer of surplus state real property upon demonstration that the property is to be used by the agency or sponsor for open space or a public park. The bill would, where surplus state real property that is to be used by the local agency or nonprofit affordable housing sponsor for affordable housing projects and the

affordable housing project is not completed within 5 years of the date the property was acquired by the local agency or nonprofit affordable housing sponsor, require the local agency or nonprofit affordable housing sponsor to pay a penalty in the amount of 1% of the purchase price. The bill would remove authorization to transfer surplus state real property to a local agency for less than fair market value if the agency proposes to use the surplus state real property for parks or open-space purposes. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

SB 251 **(Newman D) Political Reform Act of 1974: elected officers: conflicts of interest.** (

Introduced: 1/30/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 2/9/2023-Referred to Com. on E. & C.A.

Location: 2/9/2023-S. E. & C.A.

Summary: The Political Reform Act of 1974 provides for the comprehensive regulation of conflicts of interest of public officials. The act makes a knowing or willful violation of its provisions a misdemeanor. This bill would prohibit an elected officer from employment by any other elected officer with the same constituency, as provided. The bill would not apply to statewide elected officers. By expanding the scope of an existing crime, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

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

Introduced: 1/31/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 2/22/2023-Set for hearing March 14.

Location: 2/9/2023-S. G.O.

Calendar: 3/14/2023 9:30 a.m. - 1021 O Street, Room 1200 SENATE GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATION, DODD, BILL, Chair

Summary: Existing law, 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. Existing 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. Existing law requires Cal-CSIC to provide warnings of cyberattacks to government agencies and nongovernmental partners, coordinate information sharing among these entities, assess risks to critical infrastructure information networks, enable cross-sector coordination and sharing of best practices and security measures, and support certain cybersecurity assessments, audits, and accountability programs. Existing law also requires Cal-CSIC to develop a statewide cybersecurity strategy to improve how cyber threats are identified, understood, and shared in order to reduce threats to California government, businesses, and consumers, and to strengthen cyber emergency preparedness and response and expand cybersecurity awareness and public education. 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. The bill would make related findings and declarations.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[SB 315](#) ([Hurtado D](#)) **Sustainable Groundwater Management Act. (Introduced: 2/6/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))**

Status: 2/15/2023-Referred to Com. on RLS.

Location: 2/6/2023-S. RLS.

Summary: Existing law, the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (the act), provides for the sustainable management of groundwater basins, and provides local groundwater agencies with the authority and the technical and financial assistance necessary to sustainably manage groundwater, among other purposes of the act. The 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. Existing law authorizes a local agency or combination of local agencies overlying a groundwater basin to decide to become a groundwater sustainability agency for that basin and requires a groundwater sustainability plan to be developed and implemented for each medium- or high-priority basin by a groundwater sustainability agency. Existing law requires the groundwater sustainability agency to consider the interests of all beneficial uses and users of groundwater, as described, as well as those responsible for implementing groundwater sustainability plans. This bill would express the intent of the Legislature to enact future legislation that would assist groundwater sustainability agencies in fostering discussions among diverse water management interests and local agencies as they strive to implement the act.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA		AA - Folder		

[SB 328](#) ([Dodd D](#)) **Political Reform Act of 1974: contribution limits. (Introduced: 2/7/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))**

Status: 2/15/2023-Referred to Coms. on E. & C.A. and ED.

Location: 2/15/2023-S. E. & C.A.

Summary: The Political Reform Act of 1974 prohibits a person, other than a small contributor committee or political party committee, from making to a candidate for elective state, county, or city office, and prohibits those candidates from accepting from a person, a contribution totaling more than \$3,000 per election, as that amount is adjusted by the Fair Political Practices Commission in January of every odd-numbered year to reflect changes in the Consumer Price Index. This bill would apply those contribution limits to candidates for school district, community college district, and other special district elections. The bill would make certain other provisions of the act relating to contribution limits applicable to candidates for district office. However, the bill would authorize school districts, community college districts, and other special districts to impose contribution limits on

candidates for district office that differ from the limits imposed by the act, as provided. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[SB 336](#) (Umberg D) State grant programs: negotiated cost rate agreements. (Introduced: 2/7/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 2/28/2023-Set for hearing March 14.

Location: 2/15/2023-S. G.O.

Calendar: 3/14/2023 9:30 a.m. - 1021 O Street, Room 1200 SENATE GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATION, DODD, BILL, Chair

Summary: Existing law establishes the Department of General Services in the Government Operations Agency for purposes of providing centralized services of state government. Existing law establishes various state grant programs. Existing federal law provides uniform administrative requirements, cost principles, and audit requirements for federal grant awards to nonfederal entities and provides guidelines for determining direct and indirect costs, as defined, charged to federal awards. This bill would require, to the extent authorized by state and federal law, the Department of General Services to establish, by July 1, 2024, a process by which nonprofits may negotiate a state standard negotiated cost agreement, as defined, for state grants that are awarded on or after October 1, 2024. The bill would require, to the extent authorized by state and federal law, a state agency or other state entity administering a state grant program to use the same terms as contained in the grantee's existing negotiated indirect cost rate agreements, as defined, and cost allocation policies approved by the federal government, the same terms as contained in the grantee's state standard negotiated cost agreement, or a 10% de minimis indirect cost rate on direct costs, for reimbursement of direct and indirect costs, as provided.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[SB 337](#) (Min D) Environmental protection: biodiversity and conservation report. (Introduced: 2/7/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 2/15/2023-Referred to Com. on N.R. & W.

Location: 2/15/2023-S. N.R. & W.

Summary: By Executive Order No. N-82-20, Governor Gavin Newsom directed the Natural Resources Agency to combat the biodiversity and climate crises by, among other things, establishing the California Biodiversity Collaborative and conserving at least 30% of the state's lands and coastal waters by 2030. Existing 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 state lands and coastal waters by 2030. This bill would require the secretary to post the report on the agency's internet website, as provided.

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[SB 361](#) (Dodd D) Water resources: stream gages. (Introduced: 2/8/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 3/7/2023-Set for hearing March 28.

Location: 2/15/2023-S. N.R. & W.

Calendar: 3/28/2023 9:30 a.m. - 1021 O Street, Room 2100 SENATE NATURAL RESOURCES AND WATER, MIN, DAVE, Chair

Summary: Existing law, the Open and Transparent Water Data Act, requires the Department of Water Resources, the State Water Resources Control Board, and the Department of Fish and Wildlife to coordinate and integrate existing water and ecological data from local, state, and federal agencies. Existing law requires the Department of Water Resources and the board, upon an appropriation of funds by the Legislature, to develop a plan to deploy a network of stream gages that includes a determination of funding needs and opportunities for modernizing and reactivating existing gages and deploying new gages, as specified. Existing law requires the department and the 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 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	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[SB 366](#) (Caballero D) The California Water Plan: long-term supply targets. (Introduced: 2/8/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 2/15/2023-Referred to Com. on RLS.

Location: 2/8/2023-S. RLS.

Summary: Existing 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. Existing 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. This bill would make legislative findings and

declarations and state the intent of the Legislature to enact future legislation that modernizes the California Water Plan, including the establishment of long-term water supply targets.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA		AA - Folder		

[SB 389](#) (Allen D) State Water Resources Control Board: determination of water right. (

Introduced: 2/9/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 2/22/2023-Referred to Com. on N.R. & W.

Location: 2/22/2023-S. N.R. & W.

Summary: Existing law establishes the State Water Resources Control Board within the California Environmental Protection Agency. Existing law provides generally for the appropriation of water. Existing law provides that it is the intent of the Legislature that the state take vigorous action to enforce the terms and conditions of permits, licenses, certifications, and registrations to appropriate water, to enforce state board orders and decisions, and to prevent the unlawful diversion of water. This bill would authorize the State Water Resources Control Board to investigate the diversion and use of water from a stream system to determine whether the diversion and use are based upon appropriation, riparian right, or other basis of right, as specified.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[SB 411](#) (Portantino D) Open meetings: teleconferences: bodies with appointed membership. (

Introduced: 2/9/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 2/22/2023-Referred to Coms. on GOV. & F. and JUD.

Location: 2/22/2023-S. GOV. & F.

Summary: Existing law, the Ralph M. Brown Act, requires, with specified exceptions, that all meetings of a legislative body, as defined, of a local agency be open and public and that all persons be permitted to attend and participate. The act generally requires for teleconferencing that the legislative body of a local agency that elects to use teleconferencing post agendas at all teleconference locations, identify each teleconference location in the notice and agenda of the meeting or proceeding, and have each teleconference location be accessible to the public. Existing law also requires that, during the teleconference, at least a quorum of the members of the legislative body participate from locations within the boundaries of the territory over which the local agency exercises jurisdiction. The act provides an exemption to the jurisdictional requirement for health authorities, as defined. Existing law, until January 1, 2024, authorizes the legislative body of a local agency to use alternate teleconferencing provisions during a proclaimed state of emergency or in other situations related to public health that exempt a legislative body from the general requirements (emergency provisions) and impose different requirements for notice, agenda, and public participation, as prescribed. The emergency provisions specify that they do not require a legislative body to provide a physical location from which the public may attend or comment. Existing law, until January 1, 2026, authorizes the legislative body of a local agency to use alternative teleconferencing in certain circumstances related to the particular member if at least a quorum of its members participate from a singular physical location that is open to the public and situated within the agency's jurisdiction and other requirements are met, including restrictions on remote participation

by a member of the legislative body. This bill would authorize a legislative body to use alternate teleconferencing provisions similar to the emergency provisions indefinitely and without regard to a state of emergency. The bill would alternatively define “legislative body” for this purpose to mean a board, commission, or advisory body of a local agency, the membership of which board, commission, or advisory body is appointed and which board, commission, or advisory body is otherwise subject to the act. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[SB 414](#) ([Allen D](#)) **Drought-tolerant landscaping: local incentive programs: synthetic grass: artificial turf. (Introduced: 2/9/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))**

Status: 2/22/2023-Referred to Coms. on GOV. & F. and E.Q.

Location: 2/22/2023-S. GOV. & F.

Summary: Existing law prohibits a city, including a charter city, county, and city and county, from enacting or enforcing any ordinance or regulation that prohibits the installation of drought-tolerant landscaping, synthetic grass, or artificial turf on residential property, as specified. Existing law, the Personal Income Tax Law and the Corporation Tax Law, in conformity with federal income tax law, generally defines “gross income” as income from whatever source derived, except as specifically excluded. Existing law provides, among other exclusions, an exclusion from gross income for any amount received as a rebate, voucher, or other financial incentive issued by a public water system, as defined, local government, or state agency for participation in a turf replacement water conservation program. This bill would prohibit a city, including a charter city, county, city and county, or special district, from issuing a rebate, voucher, or other financial incentive for the use of synthetic grass or artificial turf that contains contaminants, including zinc, plastic, or perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS). By establishing new requirements for local agencies, this bill would impose a state-mandated program. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[SB 443](#) ([Gonzalez D](#)) **Drinking water: schools. (Introduced: 2/13/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))**

Status: 2/22/2023-Referred to Com. on RLS.

Location: 2/13/2023-S. RLS.

Summary: Existing law requires school districts and charter schools to allow pupils, teachers, and staff to bring and carry water bottles, except as provided. This bill would make nonsubstantive changes to that provision.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[SB 511](#) ([Blakespear D](#)) **Greenhouse gas emissions inventories. (Introduced: 2/14/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))**

Status: 3/7/2023-Set for hearing March 29.

Location: 2/22/2023-S. E.Q.

Calendar: 3/29/2023 9 a.m. - 1021 O Street, Room 1200 SENATE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY, ALLEN, BENJAMIN, Chair

Summary: The California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006 designates the State Air Resources Board as the state agency responsible for monitoring and regulating sources emitting greenhouse gases. 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, before January 1, 2028, to develop and publish, on its internet website, a report on greenhouse gas emission inventories for the calendar year 2025 for each city, county, city and county, and special district, as provided. The bill would require the state board, consistent with the preparation of the updates to the scoping plan and before January 1, 2033, and every 5 years thereafter, to update the inventories for the subsequent calendar years, as specified. The bill would authorize the state board to solicit bids and enter into contracts for the development of the inventories. The bill would require the state board, before January 1, 2026, to establish a local government advisory committee to inform its development of the greenhouse gas emission inventories. The bill would allocate, upon appropriation by the Legislature, \$2,500,000 in the 2024–25 fiscal year for above-described purposes.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[SB 537](#) (**[Becker D](#)**) **Open meetings: local agencies: teleconferences.** (Introduced: 2/14/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#).)

Status: 2/22/2023-Referred to Com. on RLS.

Location: 2/14/2023-S. RLS.

Summary: Existing law, the Ralph M. Brown Act, requires, with specified exceptions, that all meetings of a legislative body of a local agency, as those terms are defined, be open and public and that all persons be permitted to attend and participate. The act contains specified provisions regarding providing for the ability of the public to observe and provide comment. The act allows for meetings to occur through teleconference, subject to specified requirements. This bill would state the intent of the Legislature to enact subsequent legislation that expands local government's access to hold public meetings through teleconferencing and remote access.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[SB 550](#) (**[Grove R](#)**) **Water markets.** (Introduced: 2/15/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#).)

Status: 3/7/2023-Set for hearing March 28.

Location: 2/22/2023-S. N.R. & W.

Calendar: 3/28/2023 9:30 a.m. - 1021 O Street, Room 2100 SENATE NATURAL RESOURCES AND WATER, MIN, DAVE, Chair

Summary: Existing law finds and declares that voluntary water transfers between water users can result in a more efficient use of water, benefiting both the buyer and the seller. Existing law requires the Department of Water Resources to implement the various state laws that pertain to water transfers and to prepare a water transfer guide that includes, among other things, a review of existing and appropriate state and federal laws that pertain to water transfers, water markets, or water rights. This bill 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	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

SB 586 ([Eggman D](#)) **Flood management: deadlines.** (Introduced: 2/15/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 3/7/2023-Set for hearing March 28.

Location: 2/22/2023-S. N.R. & W.

Calendar: 3/28/2023 9:30 a.m. - 1021 O Street, Room 2100 SENATE NATURAL RESOURCES AND WATER, MIN, DAVE, Chair

Summary: Existing law provides that unless a city or county within the Sacramento-San Joaquin Valley makes certain findings after the effective date of specified amendments to its general plan and zoning ordinance, the Planning and Zoning Law prohibits a city or county from entering into a development agreement for property located in a flood hazard zone; approving a discretionary permit, ministerial permit, or other discretionary entitlement for a project that is located within a flood hazard zone, as specified; or approving a tentative map, or a parcel map for which a tentative map was not required, for a subdivision that is located within a flood hazard zone. Those findings include, among others, that the local flood management agency has made adequate progress on the construction of a flood protection system that will result in flood protection equal to or greater than the urban level of flood protection in urban or urbanizing areas. Existing law further requires urban and urbanizing areas protected by any levee that is part of the facilities of the State Plan of Flood Control to achieve the urban level of flood protection by 2025, with specified exceptions to the deadline for the Mossdale Tract and West Sacramento. This bill would remove the specified exceptions to the deadline for the Mossdale Tract and West Sacramento, and instead provide that the deadline to achieve an urban level of protection does not apply, so long as a flood management agency has an active federal project in the planning, design, construction, or project closeout phase, a completed federal feasibility study awaiting congressional authorization, or an authorized federal project awaiting the receipt of federal appropriations to advance design, construction, or project closeout activities. By changing the deadline for the Mossdale Tract and West Sacramento to achieve the urban level of flood protection, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[SB 597](#) (**[Glazer D](#)**) **Rainwater capture systems.** (Introduced: 2/15/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 2/22/2023-Referred to Com. on RLS.

Location: 2/15/2023-S. RLS.

Summary: Under existing law, the State Water Resources Control Board administers a water rights program pursuant to which the state board grants permits and licenses to appropriate water, upon an application to appropriate water. Chapter 537 of 2012, among other provisions related to rainwater capture, enacted the Rainwater Capture Act of 2012, which exempts the use of rainwater collected from rooftops from the requirement to obtain a water right permit from the state board. This bill would state the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation to expand the use of rainwater capture systems installed in new residences.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[SB 638](#) (**[Eggman D](#)**) **Climate Resiliency and Flood Protection Bond Act of 2024.** (

Introduced: 2/16/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 3/7/2023-Set for hearing March 28.

Location: 3/1/2023-S. N.R. & W.

Calendar: 3/28/2023 9:30 a.m. - 1021 O Street, Room 2100 SENATE NATURAL RESOURCES AND WATER, MIN, DAVE, Chair

Summary: The California Drought, Water, Parks, Climate, Coastal Protection, and Outdoor Access For All Act of 2018, approved by the voters as Proposition 68 at the June 5, 2018, statewide primary direct election, authorizes the issuance of bonds in the amount of \$4,000,000,000 pursuant to the State General Obligation Bond Law to finance a drought, water, parks, climate, coastal protection, and outdoor access for all program. Article XVI of the California Constitution requires measures authorizing general obligation bonds to specify the single object or work to be funded by the bonds and further requires a bond act to be approved by a 2/3 vote of each house of the Legislature and a majority of the voters. This bill 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 \$4,500,000,000, pursuant to the State General Obligation Bond Law, for flood protection and climate resiliency projects. This bill contains other related provisions.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[SB 649](#) (**[Hurtado D](#)**) **California Endangered Species Act: incidental take permits.** (

Introduced: 2/16/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 3/1/2023-Referred to Com. on N.R. & W.

Location: 3/1/2023-S. N.R. & W.

Summary: Existing law, the California Endangered Species Act, prohibits the taking of an endangered or threatened species, except in certain situations. Under the act, the Department of Fish and Wildlife may authorize the take of listed species pursuant to an incidental take permit if the take is incidental to an otherwise lawful activity, the impacts are minimized and fully mitigated, and

the issuance of the permit would not jeopardize the continued existence of the species. The act requires the department 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. The bill would also set forth legislative declarations and findings.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

SB 651 **(Grove R) Water storage and recharge: California Environmental Quality Act: Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Reform Act of 2009: exemptions.** (Introduced: 2/16/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 3/1/2023-Referred to Coms. on N.R. & W. and E.Q.

Location: 3/1/2023-S. N.R. & W.

Summary: Existing law establishes in the Natural Resources Agency the State Water Resources Control Board and the regional water quality control boards. Existing law requires the state board to formulate and adopt state policy for water quality control. Existing law requires each regional board to coordinate with the state board and other regional boards, as well as other state agencies with responsibility for water quality, with respect to water quality control matters. This bill would make it the policy of this state that, to help advance groundwater recharge projects, and to demonstrate the feasibility of projects that can use available high water flows to recharge local groundwater while minimizing flood risks, the state board and the regional water quality control boards prioritize water right permits, water quality certifications, waste discharge requirements, and conditional waivers of waste discharge requirements to accelerate approvals for projects that enhance the ability of a local or state agency to capture high precipitation events for local storage or recharge, consistent with water right priorities and protections for fish and wildlife. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

SB 659 **(Ashby D) Groundwater recharge: minimum requirement.** (Introduced: 2/16/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 3/1/2023-Referred to Com. on N.R. & W.

Location: 3/1/2023-S. N.R. & W.

Summary: Existing law establishes the Department of Water Resources within the Natural Resources Agency. Existing law provides that it is the policy of the state that groundwater resources be managed sustainably for long-term reliability and multiple economic, social, and environmental benefits for current and future beneficial uses. This bill would establish that it is the policy of the state

to recharge groundwater by a minimum of 10 million acre-feet of water annually. The bill would require the department to promulgate regulations necessary to implement this policy.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[SB 687](#) (**[Eggman D](#)**) **Water Quality Control Plans.** (Introduced: 2/16/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 3/1/2023-Referred to Com. on RLS.

Location: 2/16/2023-S. RLS.

Summary: Under existing law, the State Water Resources Control Board and the 9 California regional water quality control boards regulate water quality in accordance with the Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act and the federal Clean Water Act. Existing law requires each regional board to formulate and adopt water quality control plans for all areas within the region, as provided. Existing law authorizes the board to adopt water quality control plans for waters for which quality standards are required by the federal act, as specified, and that in the event of conflict, those plans supersede regional water quality control plans for the same waters. This bill would make nonsubstantive changes to that provision. This bill contains other existing laws.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[SB 737](#) (**[Hurtado D](#)**) **Groundwater: recharge.** (Introduced: 2/17/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 3/1/2023-Referred to Com. on RLS.

Location: 2/17/2023-S. RLS.

Summary: Existing law declares that groundwater recharge is an effective way to maximize availability of scarce water supplies throughout the state. Existing law further declares that it is necessary for the health, safety, and welfare of the people of the state that the groundwater basins of the state be recharged. This bill 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	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[SB 747](#) (**[Caballero D](#)**) **Surplus land: notice of exemption determination.** (Introduced: 2/17/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 3/1/2023-Referred to Com. on GOV. & F.

Location: 3/1/2023-S. GOV. & F.

Summary: Existing law, commonly referred to as the Surplus Land Act, imposes specified

requirements on a local agency before it disposes of its surplus land, and imposes specified enforcement and reporting duties on the Department of Housing and Community Development. Among those requirements on a local agency, existing law requires a written notice of availability for developing low- and moderate-income housing to be sent to certain local public entities and to housing sponsors that have notified the department of their interest in surplus land. Existing law exempts the disposal of certain surplus land from the requirements of the Surplus Land Act, and defines “exempt surplus land,” for purposes of the act. Existing law authorizes a local agency, on an annual basis, to declare multiple parcels as “surplus land” or “exempt surplus land,” for purposes of the act, as supported by written findings. Existing administrative law requires a local agency making a determination that property is exempt surplus land to provide a copy of the written determination, as specified, to the department at least 30 days before disposition. This bill would authorize a local agency to declare administratively that land is exempt surplus land if the declaration and findings are published and available for public comment, and the local public entities and housing sponsors described above are notified at least 30 days before the declaration takes effect. This bill contains other existing laws.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

SB 836 (Dahle R) Landowner: water right holder: jointly used conduits: County of Siskiyou. (

Introduced: 2/17/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#).)

Status: 3/7/2023-Set for hearing March 28.

Location: 3/1/2023-S. N.R. & W.

Calendar: 3/28/2023 9:30 a.m. - 1021 O Street, Room 2100 SENATE NATURAL RESOURCES AND WATER, MIN, DAVE, Chair

Summary: Existing law declares that 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 water is to be exercised with a view to the reasonable and beneficial use of water in the interest of the people and for the public welfare. This bill would authorize a landowner, in the County of Siskiyou, where a conduit is constructed across or buried beneath the lands of 2 or more landowners, and the conduit is not under the control or management of any public agency or authority, to modify or replace the conduit on or beneath their land if the modification or replacement is made in a manner that does not impede the flow of the water to any other water right holder receiving a benefit of the conduit. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

SB 850 (Umberg D) Eminent domain: general limitations. (Introduced: 2/17/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#).)

Status: 3/1/2023-Referred to Com. on RLS.

Location: 2/17/2023-S. RLS.

Summary: The California Constitution permits private property to be taken or damaged for public use only when just compensation has first been paid to, or into court for, the owner of that property. The Eminent Domain Law provides that a public entity may exercise the power of eminent domain

only if it has adopted a resolution of necessity, as specified. This bill would make technical, nonsubstantive changes to that provision.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[SB 861](#) (Dahle R) California Environmental Quality Act: water conveyance or storage projects: judicial review. (Introduced: 2/17/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 3/7/2023-Set for hearing March 29.

Location: 3/1/2023-S. E.Q.

Calendar: 3/29/2023 9 a.m. - 1021 O Street, Room 1200 SENATE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY, ALLEN, BENJAMIN, Chair

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 the lead agency 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 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 water conveyance or storage projects, as defined, or the granting of 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 water conveyance or storage project, as provided, and to include a specified notice in the draft EIR and final EIR for the water conveyance or storage project. By imposing additional duties on lead agencies, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[SB 865](#) (Laird D) Municipal water districts: automatic exclusion of cities. (Introduced: 2/17/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 3/1/2023-Referred to Com. on GOV. & F.

Location: 3/1/2023-S. GOV. & F.

Summary: Existing law authorizes a governing body of a municipal water district to adopt an ordinance excluding any territory annexed to a metropolitan water district organized under the Metropolitan Water District Act, if the territory is annexed prior to the effective date of the formation of the municipal water district. Existing law requires the Secretary of State to issue a certificate reciting the passage of the ordinance and the exclusion of the area from the municipal water district

within 10 days of receiving a certified copy of the ordinance. This bill would extend the number of days the Secretary of State has to issue a certificate to 14 days.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

SB 867 (Allen D) Drought and Water Resilience, Wildfire and Forest Resilience, Coastal Resilience, Extreme Heat Mitigation, Biodiversity and Nature-Based Climate Solutions, Climate Smart Agriculture, and Park Creation and Outdoor Access Bond Act of 2023. (

Introduced: 2/17/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 3/7/2023-Set for hearing March 28.

Location: 3/1/2023-S. N.R. & W.

Calendar: 3/28/2023 9:30 a.m. - 1021 O Street, Room 2100 SENATE NATURAL RESOURCES AND WATER, MIN, DAVE, Chair

Summary: The California Drought, Water, Parks, Climate, Coastal Protection, and Outdoor Access For All Act of 2018, approved by the voters as Proposition 68 at the June 5, 2018, statewide primary election, authorizes the issuance of bonds in the amount of \$4,100,000,000 pursuant to the State General Obligation Bond Law to finance a drought, water, parks, climate, coastal protection, and outdoor access for all program. Article XVI of the California Constitution requires measures authorizing general obligation bonds to specify the single object or work to be funded by the bonds and further requires a bond act to be approved by a 2/3 vote of each house of the Legislature and a majority of the voters. This bill would enact the Drought and Water Resilience, Wildfire and Forest Resilience, Coastal Resilience, Extreme Heat Mitigation, Biodiversity and Nature-Based Climate Solutions, Climate Smart Agriculture, and Park Creation and Outdoor Access Bond Act of 2023, which, if approved by the voters, would authorize the issuance of bonds in an unspecified amount pursuant to the State General Obligation Bond Law to finance projects for drought and water resilience, wildfire and forest resilience, coastal resilience, extreme heat mitigation, biodiversity and nature-based climate solutions, climate smart agriculture, and park creation and outdoor access programs. This bill contains other related provisions.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

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MEMORANDUM

TO: STEVE COLE, SANTA CLARITA VALLEY WATER AGENCY

FROM: HUNT BRALY

RE: February 2023 Report

DATE: 3-8-2023

I have provided a synopsis of activities performed on behalf of the Agency in February

RECURRING ACTIVITIES/MEETING ATTENDANCE:

1. Safe, Clean Water Program (Measure W) Watershed Area Steering Committee Santa Clara River Meeting on February 2nd was discussed in my February report. The next scheduled meeting for March 2nd was cancelled. Staff is now working to change these meetings to in person beginning hopefully in April.
2. Attended Virtual County Board of Supervisors Meetings on February 14, 21, 28 and March 7.

The February 14 meeting did not have matters of particular concern to the Agency or the Santa Clarita Valley and the February 21 meeting did not have public discussion items. At the February 28 meeting the Board adopted the final negotiated Workforce Agreement with labor which had been directed by the Board at its January 10 meeting. Supervisors Solis and Hahn proposed a motion for the expansion of the Board of Supervisors which was not passed. Instead the Board on a 5-0 vote passed a motion to hire a consultant to review numerous governance issues, including the potential to expand the Board. The report is due back in 90 days. Any proposal to expand the Board would have to go to a public vote.

At the March 7th meeting the Board agreed to send a letter to the County's federal legislators regarding improvements on the cooperation on wireless facilities. Supervisor Barger co-authored a motion regarding illegal dumping which has become a huge issue in the North County and North San Fernando Valley. Supervisor Barger had a motion to provide support for small water systems and I have attached a copy. Finally, the County approved the allocation of \$1,786,065.69 from the Tesoro Development to Bridge to Home for funding for the local new permanent homeless shelter.

3. Monitored the following City Council Meetings

The City Council Meeting February 14

Recognized former Planning Commission Dan Masnada for his 4 year service on the Planning Commission. Heard a lengthy presentation from the AQMD. Public comments was consistent with

previous meetings with the sole new item being a concern about the lack of lighting for bicyclists on Wiley Canyon Road.

Approved a \$2,000,000 contribution to Henry Mayo Newhall Hospital for its current capital campaign to build a new surgical center. There was significant public comments with several urging the City to explore a new hospital on the east side. The Council changed the recommendation to \$500,000 payments per year beginning with this fiscal year. Also approved the transfer of the existing YMCA site on McBean Parkway to the City. This facility had been basically closed since the Pandemic and initially was offered to the City for purchase. Due to significant capital improvements necessary the YMCA agreed to donate to the facility. It is subject to a long-term lease with the Summit HOA and the City will continue to provide recreational programming beginning in 2024. Finally directed staff to send a letter to the Board of Supervisors concerning the 2023 County Fire Brush Clearance program which has been greatly expanded and the fee has increased to \$100.

City Council Meeting February 28, 2023

Received the annual update from the Santa Clarita Valley Economic Development Corporation (SCVEDC). A new issue was raised with the grading for the Sand Canyon Plaza project impacting Mountain Lion habitat and sending them into the backyards of adjacent homes. The only public hearing was the City's annual Community Needs Assessment Survey as part of the CDBG program for 2023-2024.

City Council Special Meeting March 1st on Council Districts

The first public hearing on the draft of new Council Districts was presented at the Newhall Community Center. Most comments were still opposed to the creation of districts, but the reality is that the City has settled a law suit and there will be districts. The first two in 2024 with one having to be the Hispanic district which will have a 46% Hispanic population. The other district is up to the Council. The process can not take into consideration where the current council members live.

Community maps are due by April 3rd and will be posted on April 6th. The next public hearing on the maps will be April 13.

The public will have the opportunity to submit revised maps which must meet the population requirements and retains the Hispanic seat.

4. Assisted Agency staff in obtaining support letters from Supervisor Barger and City of Santa Clarita in support of Federal Funding Request.

5. Attended SCV Chamber Executive Committee Meeting with Assemblywoman Schiavo and discussed issues of importance to the Agency. Co-Chaired Monthly SCV Chamber Government Affairs Council.
6. Participated in Virtual Public Outreach and Legislation Committee on February 16.
7. Monitored and reviewed Agency Board Agendas.
8. Reviewed weekly emails regarding articles of interest from Agency.

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MOTION BY SUPERVISOR KATHRYN BARGER

MARCH 7, 2023

ASSISTING SMALL WATER SYSTEMS IN LA COUNTY

Every resident of Los Angeles County has the right to safe, clean, affordable, and accessible water for human consumption, cooking, and sanitary purposes. The State of California codified this right by adopting AB685 in 2012, which recognized the human right to water. This right is not always a reality for disadvantaged individuals, groups, and communities in rural and urban areas of the County. For disadvantaged communities served by small water systems, access to safe, clean, and reliable water can be challenging. Small water systems, which may not benefit from larger economies of scale, often do not have the same resources as larger water agencies, including diversity of drinking water supplies, administrative and technical capacity, and financial security.

LA County has over 200 water systems, which may range from large water systems that serve millions of residents, to individual wells with just a handful of connections. According to the California State Water Resources Control Board, of the 206 community water systems in the County, 21 are considered potentially at risk, 12 are at risk, and 10 are considered to be failing due to water quality violations. Throughout the County’s unincorporated communities, there are increased instances in water service disruptions and regulatory compliance challenges experienced by small water systems. As an organization with a Local Primacy Delegation Agreement with the State of California for the enforcement of the Safe Clean Drinking Water Act the County is already playing a role in engaging with smaller water systems. The County has the opportunity to share its experience to provide assistance for water systems in our County unincorporated areas.

A County-led assistance program could provide critical support for small water systems by leveraging the County’s expertise and knowledge. Support could include collaborating with the State Water Resource Control Board (SWRCB) to assess the state of the County’s underserved systems, providing direct assistance to small water - systems, or marshalling federal, state, and County resources to provide assistance. The Countywide program could build on the efforts by the SWRCB to carry out its Safe and Affordable Funding for Equity and Resilience (SAFER) program.

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Given that the goal of the program is to make good on the state's commitment to guaranteeing the Human Right to Water, the County could help advocate with the state to make funding available to assist small water systems.

In 2019, the Los Angeles County Chief Sustainability Office completed the "Our County" Countywide Sustainability Plan to serve as the roadmap for regional sustainability. The Plan, which was adopted by the Board, includes several actions related to addressing drinking water issues in the region, including Strategy 1E, to ensure access to safe clean affordable water, advocating for drinking water affordability (Action 17), assessing systems for resiliency and water quality issues (Action 18), and providing support for small water systems to access financial resources (Action 22). The Los Angeles County Department of Public Works (DPW) has been implementing part of the OurCounty plan through various actions including coordinating the development of an integrated and resilient local water plan referred to as the Los Angeles County Water Plan (CWP), led by the DPW. In collaboration with a diverse group of stakeholders, the CWP is developing specific actions and strategies for the region to address areas of need such as enhanced water infrastructure, livable communities, healthy watersheds, and water resources optimization. One specific action identified by the participants of the planning process is the development and implementation of actions to support the resilience of small and at-risk water systems.

I, THEREFORE, MOVE that the Board of Supervisors direct the Department of Public Works, in collaboration with the Department of Public Health, the Chief Sustainability Office, Chief Executive Office-Legislative Affairs and Intergovernmental Relations, and other key stakeholders to:

1. Complete the following tasks and report back in writing in 60 days:
 - a. Index and catalogue the small water systems within the unincorporated areas;
 - b. Collaborate with the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) Safe and Affordable Funding for Equity and Resilience (SAFER) Group to identify water systems within the unincorporated areas that may be at risk and the critical issues of risk;
 - c. Explore options to assist and encourage small water systems to increase the resiliency of their systems including developing water supply plans, asset management programs, and other actions; including seeking assistance from the SAFER program, through the Antelope Valley Integrated Regional Water Management Program (IRWM) and the Greater Los Angeles IRWM and other state and federal funding programs;
 - d. Explore opportunities thru the County Water Plan to strategically partner with other agencies and organizations to establish a Countywide Small Water Systems Support and Assistance Program;
 - e. Identify potential state and federal funding to support these efforts; and

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2. Report back in writing in 90 days on the role any County department plays in ensuring safe, clean water for all residents and include an update on progress made.

I, FURTHER MOVE that the Board of Supervisors direct the Department of Public Health, in coordination with the Department of Public Works and the Chief Sustainability Office, to report back in writing in 120 days on:

1. The lessons learned and areas of opportunity with regards to the Department's role as defined by the Local Primacy Delegation Agreement;
2. Opportunities for sustained remediation of issues experienced by small water systems identified through the enforcement of the Safe Drinking Water Act; and
3. Recommendations to provide increased technical and programmatic support to increase the resiliency and sustainability of the small water systems subject to the County's oversight under the Safe Drinking Water Act.

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COMMITTEE MEMORANDUM

DATE: March 8, 2023
TO: Public Outreach and Legislation Committee
FROM: Steve Cole
Assistant General Manager *SC*
SUBJECT: Discussion of Staffing Considerations

SUMMARY

Staff will be presenting a report on consideration of additional staffing needs for the Outreach department. This staffing request is proposed to be included in the two-year FY 2023/24 and FY 2024/25 budgeting process, specifically to start in FY24/25.

DISCUSSION

Department: Water Resources

Proposed Position Title: Government Affairs Analyst

Classification: In line with Management Analyst II

Staff has determined that the Agency would benefit from the addition of an in-house position focused on legislative affairs. Currently this work is shared between the Assistant General Manager and the Communications Manager. However, as the legislative and regulatory landscape for the water industry changes rapidly, this position could provide more timely and effective steps to move Agency priorities forward, as well as ensure SCV Water's ongoing policy leadership.

Some of the duties would include:

- Manage the legislative advocacy contracts
- Engage proactively and directly with local, state and federal representatives
- Serve as liaison to the Santa Clarita Valley Chamber of Commerce Government Affairs Committee
- Coordinate a yearly legislative staff briefing
- Facilitate Agency participation in advocacy trips (i.e., to Sacramento or Washington D.C.)
- Facilitate Agency briefings and tours for elected officials
- Connect with the legislative offices of government and water industry organizations (ACWA, CSDA, Southern California Water Coalition)
- Support advocacy and outreach efforts around the grant application process

STRATEGIC PLAN NEXUS

A.2.5 Raise agency profile as a partner in the SCV through participation/membership in events, organizations and boards

A.2.8 Support SCV Water efforts to work with public agencies and industry associations to influence water policy

A.3.1 Engage in local, state and federal activities to further the interests of water in the Santa Clarita Valley

A.3.2 Maintain strong working relationships with local agencies (water agencies, special districts, city, and local governments)

A.4 Engage in statewide and federal water legislative and policy issues.

A.4.1 Continue coordination with SCV Water legislative analysts in communications with local, state, and federal elected officials and their staffs in support of the Agency's adopted Legislative Platform

A.4.3 Coordinate legislative initiatives concerning Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta and water conservation with legislative analysts, Association of California Water Agencies, State Water Contractors and other necessary parties to enhance the reliability and cost effectiveness of the SCV Water's SWP water supply

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

Water Resources:


Government Affairs Analyst – Salary Range \$102,564 – \$124,968

RECOMMENDATION

That the Public Outreach and Legislation Committee consider staff's recommendation for additional staff for the Water Resources/Communication group. No action requested at this time. Staffing request will be included in the two-year FY 2023/24 and FY 2024/25 budgeting process.



COMMITTEE MEMORANDUM

DATE: March 16, 2023
TO: Public Outreach and Legislation Committee
FROM: Kathie Martin
Communications Manager 
SUBJECT: Communications Manager's Report

SUMMARY

The Communications Manager will provide brief updates on current projects and efforts, which could include legislation tracking, sponsorship and events, social media reporting and others.

Expected items to be updated this month include:

- Communications Manager Recruitment Update
- Water Academy Update
- Video Projects
- Spring Messaging Refresh
- Legislative Staff Briefing – April 6, 2023

STRATEGIC PLAN NEXUS

The work of the Outreach Department supports the overall Strategic Plan through education, public engagement, marketing and other internal and external methods of communication.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

None

RECOMMENDATION

For information only. No action to be taken.

Attachments:

Grant/Funding Efforts Summary
Legislative Tracking Summary
Sponsorship Tracking Summary

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**SANTA CLARITA VALLEY WATER AGENCY
GRANT / FUNDING EFFORTS SUMMARY**

Grant	Start Date	End Date	# of SCVWA Projects within Grant	SCV Water Project Name	SCVWA PROJECTS ONLY				% Grant Share Billed on Funder Approved Invoices**	Cost of Application
					Total Project Cost	Grant Funding/Loan	Required Funding Match (Non-State/Federal Share)	Other Non-State/Federal Share		
DWR Prop 84 Round 1 Implementation <i>*Fundable portion of grant complete; grant completion and retention release est. Jan2023</i>	4/10/2012	3/31/2022*	4	1. Grant Administration 2. SCV Water Use Efficiency Plan 3. Santa Clara River Sewer Truck Line Relocation 4. Recycle Water Project Phases 2B & 2D	\$ 14,057,107	\$ 6,264,551	\$ 4,110,280	\$ 7,792,556	92%	\$37,700
DWR Prop 1 Sustainable Groundwater Planning (includes Prop 1 SGWP & Prop 68 SGP grants)	12/5/2018	8/31/2022	3	a. Grant Administration b. Planning Activities c. Monitoring	\$ 2,047,434	\$ 1,307,265	\$ 740,169	\$ -	83%	Prop 1 - \$24,778 Prop 68 - \$29,822
DWR Prop 1 Round 1 IRWM Implementation	9/24/2020	3/21/2026	2	1. Grant Administration 2. Recycle Water Phase 2C 3. Santa Clara Honby PFAS Remediation	\$ 20,674,288	\$ 6,216,800	\$ 10,751,205	\$ 3,706,283	29%	\$99,192 Cost share between project proponents
CA State Water Resources Control Board	4/8/2021	3/31/2024	1	LARC Ranch Water Pipeline Project	\$ 4,811,991	\$ 3,931,991	\$ 880,000	\$ -	0%	\$0 State Assigned Grant Consultant / DAC Proj
BOR WaterSmart Drought Resiliency Projects	7/1/2022	6/30/2025	1	Rosedale Phase 2 Wells Project* <i>*Total project cost does not include cost to purchase well sites or easements.</i>	\$ 2,921,191	\$ 1,458,987	\$ 1,458,987	\$ -	0%	Included in annual On-Call Grant Consulting Agreement (FY2022 \$69,725 Final)
BOR WaterSmart Water and Energy Efficiency Grant	7/1/2022	6/30/2025	1	Automated Metering Infrastructure (AMI) Project (SCV Water Phase 1)	\$ 8,428,289	\$ 2,000,000	\$ 2,000,000	\$ -	0%	Included in annual On-Call Grant Consulting Agreement (FY2022 \$69,725 Final)
FY 2023 WaterSmart BOR Drought Response Program <i>Application Submitted: June 14, 2022 Awarded: 12/22/22 Grant Agreement in negotiation</i>	est 4/30/2023	est 4/30/2026	1	S-Wells PFAS Treatment and Disinfection Facilities (Phase 1)	\$ 16,817,004	\$ 5,000,000	\$ 5,000,000	\$ 6,817,004	0%	Included in annual On-Call Grant Consulting Agreement (FY2022 \$69,725 Final)

**Based on Funder approved invoices for ALL PROJECTS within the grant. Receipt of payment may be delayed in Funder's normal course of business.

SUBMITTED APPLICATIONS UNDER CONSIDERATION - PENDING									
Grant	Start Date	End Date	# of SCVWA Projects within Grant	SCV Project Name	Total Project Cost	Requested Grant/Loan Funding	Required Funding Match (Non-State/Federal Share)	Other Non-State/Federal Share (Funding Match)	Cost of Application
CalOES-FEMA Public Assistance Program FEMA-4482-DR-CA (Project 2)	N/A	N/A	1	COVID-19 Assistance (Sanitation of Agency Facilities)		\$ 40,900	\$ -		\$0 Staff submitted
WaterSmart BOR Water Energy Efficiency Grant FY2023** <i>Application Submitted: July 28, 2022 Est. Award Date: May 2023</i>	TBD	TBD	1	Water Efficiency Program	\$ 7,242,900	\$ 2,000,000	\$ 2,000,000	\$ 3,242,900	Included in annual On-Call Grant Consulting Agreement (FY2023 \$45K)
DWR 2022 Urban Community Drought Relief Grant <i>Est Submittal Date: 12/9/2022</i>	TBD	12/31/2026	2	1. Saugus 3 & 4 Well Equipping Project 2. S Wells PFAS Treatment/Disinfection	\$ 26,720,434	\$ 5,982,109	\$ 1,495,527	TBD	Included in annual On-Call Grant Consulting Agreement
DWR Prop 1 Sustainable Groundwater Mgmt Implementation Grant_Round 2 <i>Submitted: 12/15/2022</i>	TBD	6/30/2025	4 components	Expanded Monitoring in the USCR Basin	\$ 5,304,640	\$ 5,304,640	\$ -	\$ -	NTE \$16,790
DWR Prop 1 Round 2 IRWM Grant Total Funding - \$10.95M, Submitted 1/30/2023 (IRWM App contains 5 projects total, incl City and SCVSD projects); Est Award: Spring 2023	TBD	12/31/2027	3	1. Grant Administration 2. Sand Canyon Sewer Line Relocation 3. T&U Wells PFAS Treatment	\$ 21,756,527	\$ 3,625,529	\$ 15,814,014	\$ 2,316,984	\$94,581 SCVWA Cost Share Est \$40K
CA State Water Resources Control Board Grant <i>Incentive Grant Funding re LARC Ranch DAC Project Application Submittal: FEB 2023</i>	TBD	TBD	1	PFAS Remediateion Projects T & U Wells (Phase 1 Project)	\$ 15,136,104	\$ 1,100,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$0 State Assigned Grant Consultant due to LARC Ranch DAC Proj
CA State Water Resources Control Board Grant Bipartisan Infrastructure Law - EPA Emerging Contaminants Funding <i>SCV Water's PFAS Projects are listed in SWRCB FY2022-23 Fundable List; may reduce/offset DWSRF Loan amount Application Submitted: FEB 2023</i>	TBD	TBD	1	PFAS Remediateion Projects T & U Wells (Phase 1 Project)	\$ 15,136,104	\$ 5,000,000	\$ 5,000,000		
CA Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Loan <i>Includes \$10M 0% Interest Incentive Loan re LARC Ranch DAC Project, with balance at standard SRF Rates; Application Submitted: FEB 2023</i>	TBD	TBD	1	PFAS Remediateion Projects T & U Wells (Phase 1 Project)	\$ 15,136,104	\$ 9,036,104	\$ -	\$ -	

**Cumulative funding limit across all BOR FY2023 WaterSmart Grant Programs is \$5M
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APPLICATIONS IN PROCESS - TO BE SUBMITTED									
Grant	Start Date	End Date	# of SCVWA Projects within Grant	SCV Project Name	SCVWA PROJECTS ONLY				Cost of Application
					Total Project Cost	Requested Grant/Loan Funding	Required Funding Match (Non-State/Federal Share)	Other Non-State / Federal Share (Funding Match)	
CA Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Loan <i>Includes ~\$960K 0% Interest Incentive Loan re LARC Ranch DAC Project, with balance at standard SRF Rates; Possibility of additional EPA Emerging Contaminants funding through Congressional Earmark/EPA Est. Application Submittal: Spring 2023</i>	TBD	TBD	1	PFAS Remediateion Projects S Wells (Phase 2 Project)	TBD	TBD	\$ -	\$ -	\$0 State Assigned Grant Consultant due to LARC Ranch DAC Proj
SWRCB Water Recycling Funding Program <i>Grant up to 35% of Project Costs; grant capped at \$2.9M due to additional state funding under Prop 1 Round 1 IRWM Grant Est Application submittal: APR 2023</i>	TBD	TBD	1	Recycled Water Phase 2C (Reach 1)	\$ 11,976,580	\$ 2,900,000	TBD	TBD	Included in annual On-Call Grant Consulting Agreement (FY2023 \$45K)

CLOSED / COMPLETED GRANTS										
Grant	Start Date	End Date	# of SCVWA Projects within Grant	SCV Water Project Name	SCVWA PROJECTS ONLY				% Grant Share Billed on Funder Approved Invoices*	Cost of Application
					Total Project Cost	Grant Funding	Required Funding Match (Non-State/Federal Share)	Other Non-State/Federal Share		
DWR Prop 84 Round 2 Implementation <i>(Complete - DWR official notification of closed grant received on 5/11/2021)</i>	6/17/2014	12/31/2020	4	1. Grant Administration 2. CLWA SCV WUE Program 3. SCWD WUE Programs 4. Foothill Feeder Connection	\$ 7,804,002	\$ 4,003,399	\$ 3,800,603		99.79% FINAL	\$84,175
DWR Prop 84 2014 Drought Grant <i>(Complete - DWR official notification of closed grant received on 5/11/2021)</i>	7/20/2015	12/31/2020	3	1. Grant Administration 2. RRB/CLWA Banking Program 3. CLWA/SWSD Extraction & Conveyance	\$ 15,616,780	\$ 11,535,067	\$ 4,081,713		99.68% FINAL	\$80,000
American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 through CA DDW - CA Water and Wastewater Arrearage Payment Program	Immediate	1/31/2022	1	Arrearage Payment Program (customer bills arrearage payment forgiveness)	\$ 671,520	\$ 671,520	\$ -	\$ -	100%	\$0 Staff Submitted
ACWA-JPIA	3/1/2022	6/30/2022	1	Emergency Preparedness (Communications Equipment)		\$ 10,000	\$ -	\$ -	0%	\$0 Staff Submitted
CalOES-FEMA Public Assistance Program FEMA-4482-DR-CA (Project 1)	7/30/2020		1	COVID-19 Assistance (PPE & Sanitation Supplies)		\$ 34,380	\$ -	\$ -	100%	\$0 Staff submitted
Community Power Resiliency Allocation - Special Districts Program - CalOES subaward	3/12/2021	3/31/2022	1	Generator Replacement at Earl Schmidt Filtration Plant	\$ 249,854	\$ 249,854	\$ -	\$ -	100% allocated funds received	\$0 - No charge from Consultant

UNSUCCESSFUL APPLICATIONS									
Grant	Start Date	End Date	# of SCVWA Projects within Grant	SCV Project Name	Total Project Cost	Grant Funding	Required Funding Match (Non-State/Federal Share)	Other Non-State/ Federal Share (Funding Match)	Cost of Application
DWR Prop 84 IRWM Round 3 Grant	N/A	N/A	2	1. Grant Administrator 2. CLWA Res & Comm Turf Removal 3. Santa Clara River Trunk Sewer Line Project Phase II (NCWD?) 4. Valencia WRP Advanced Water Treatment Facilities	\$ 40,565,007	\$ 16,229,000	\$ 24,427,007		\$110,000 Cost Share between Project Proponents on a pro-rata basis
WaterSMART Water and Energy Efficiency Grants BOR-DO-21-F001	N/A	N/A	1	Automated Metering Infrastructure (AMI) Project (SCV Water Phase 1)	\$ 3,475,860	\$ 500,000	\$ 500,000	\$ 2,475,860	Included in annual On-Call Grant Consulting Agreement (FY2022 \$69,725 Final)
WaterSMART Drought Response Program BOR-DO-20-F002	N/A	N/A	1	Saugus Wells 3 & 4 Equipment and Site Improvement Project	\$ 3,744,829	\$ 1,500,000	\$ 1,500,000	\$ 744,829	Included in annual On-Call Grant Consulting Agreement (FY2022 \$69,725 Final)
CA DWR Urban and Multibenefit Drought Relief Grant Program	N/A	N/A	1	Saugus Wells 3 & 4 (Replacement Wells) Well Equipment and Site Improvement Project	\$ 8,300,000	\$ 2,500,000	\$ -		Included in annual On-Call Grant Consulting Agreement (FY2022 \$69,725 Final)
CA DWR 2021 Urban and Multibenefit Drought Grant <i>to be reconsidered under Round 3</i>	N/A	N/A	1	Santa Clara/Honby PFAS Groundwater Treatment Improvement Project <i>INCLUDED AS SUBSTITUTE PROJECT IN PROP 1 ROUND 1 IRWM GRANT ABOVE</i>	\$ 11,750,000	\$ 4,000,000	\$ -		\$5,736
BOR WaterSmart - Title XVI WIIN Water Reclamation and Reuse Program FY2022	N/A	N/A	1	Phase 2C Recycled Water Project	\$ 24,010,000	\$ 6,002,500	\$ 15,007,500	\$ 3,000,000	Included in annual On-Call Grant Consulting Agreement (FY2022 \$69,725 Final)

REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION / FUNDING APPLICATION PREPARATION			
Document / Program	Explanation	Start Date	Est. Completion
Local Hazard Mitigation Plan (LHMP)	An approved LHMP is an eligibility requirement for funding under FEMA and/or other federal grants opportunities.	FEB 2021	NOV 2022 <i>Approved by FEMA upon SCVWA Resolution (submitted 12/23/2022)</i>
Bureau of Reclamation - Title XVI Feasibility Study	Feasibility Study required to qualify for federal WIIN Act funding for Phases 2A and 2C Recycled Water Projects was approved by BOR on 4/28/2022.	JAN 2021	Completed Accepted by BOR

Last Update: 3/9/2022



LEGISLATION TRACKING

Letters of Support/Opposition

Date	Bill/Initiative	Title	Stand	Notes	Leg. Policy*	Status
1/3/2023		Support letter for Habitat Enhancement and Restoration Program Funding for Bouquet Canyon Creek Restoration Project	Support	Letter submitted to Wildlife Conservation Board	10.0	Letter sent 1/3/2023
2/18/2023		Support letter for Temporary Urgency Change Petition (TUCP)	Support	Signed on to coalition letter from The State Water Contractors (SWC)	7.0	Letter sent 2/19/2023 (attached)

Updated: Mar 8, 2023
 Represents changes since last distribution.

DEFINITIONS:

When a bill passes both houses of the Legislature, it is ordered enrolled. In enrollment, the bill is again proofread for accuracy and then delivered to the **enrolled:** Governor.

The portion of the Daily File containing legislation that is ready for floor consideration, but, for a variety of reasons, is dead or dormant. An author may **inactive file:** move a bill to the inactive file and subsequently move it off the inactive file at a later date.

Presentation of a bill before the House by reading its title. The Constitution requires a bill's title to be read three times in each House prior to its passage. A

reading: bill is either on First, Second, or Third Reading until it is passed by both Houses.

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February 19, 2023

Delivered via email: Eileen.Sobeck@Waterboards.ca.gov

Ms. Eileen Sobeck
 Executive Director State Water Resources Control Board
 1001 I Street
 Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Ms. Sobeck,

On behalf of the below signed water agencies and organizations throughout the state, we are writing in support of the Temporary Urgency Change Petition (TUCP) requested by the California Department of Water Resources (DWR) and the United States Bureau of Reclamation (USBR), which would allow these agencies to temporarily protect the storage and delivery of water through March, and help offset the state-wide drought effects over the last three years for people, farms and the environment.

As demonstrated in the TUCP, the proposed temporary modification of a single compliance point recognizes the below average hydrology in February and provides opportunities to maintain water supply operations without negative effects on fish and water quality. In a letter dated February 13, 2023, the California Department of Fish and Wildlife agreed with this assessment, finding no unreasonable impacts to fish and wildlife.

There have been many calls to better align our water rights system with climate change effects. The rules in D-1641, adopted in 1995, did not and could not have anticipated the hydrology we now experience. The TUCP is aligned with our need to be responsive to climate effects, one of which is subseasonal whiplash. When D-1641 was adopted, an extremely wet January was often followed by a wet February. However, that was not the case this year. With reservoirs throughout the state at about average for this time of year and a dry February, January conditions are only one factor in determining how we should operate in subsequent drier months. The temporary modification requested in the TUCP will allow DWR and USBR to continue maintaining low salinity conditions over a significant extent of the estuary while protecting water supply for all beneficial uses.

The effects of not approving the TUCP, should we continue to experience dry conditions, would be drastic for water supply and environmental conditions later in the year. Assuming the below-average hydrology conditions experienced so far in February continue in March, absent an order granting the TUCP, DWR and USBR would be required to cut Delta exports and release stored water from upstream reservoirs to provide an estimated 700,000 acre-feet of Delta outflow required to maintain the X2 at Port Chicago during February and March. That is more water than is currently stored in Folsom Reservoir. As you know, reservoir releases that occur throughout the year to support fish and water quality would not be possible without adequate storage. If we do not capture and store water during these heavy rain and snowfall events and while conditions in the Delta allow for it, then we will have less water throughout the year to support the needs of fish and communities.

Our agencies are very grateful for your thoughtful and science-based consideration of this issue.

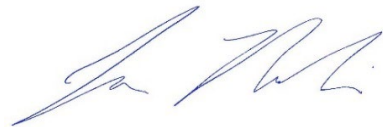
Sincerely,



Jennifer Pierre, General Manager
State Water Contractors



Jennifer Spindler, General Manager
Crestline-Lake Arrowhead Water Agency



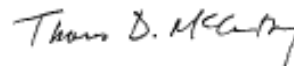
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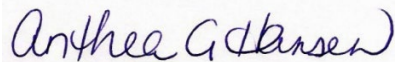


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Ms. Eileen Sobeck

February 19, 2023

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SPONSORSHIP TRACKING FY JULY 2022 - JUNE 2023

Updated: Mar 6, 2023

Agency Name	Event	Date	Location	Reg. Fee	Committed	Paid	Sponsorship	Previous Amount
ACWA	Region 8	August 12, 2022 Rescheduled to Sept 19, 2022	Burbank Water and Power	\$50		\$500	Organization's logo on agenda/materials included in attendee packet, verbal recognition from ACWA Region Chair, 1 complimentary ticket	
Urban Water Institute (UWI)	2022 Fall Conference	Aug 24 - 26, 2022	San Diego Hilton Resort	\$575			Sponsorship August 25 Breakfast: Company logo included in conference program agenda, projected on UWI presentation screens, displayed in the registration area and on the UWI website. And customized company poster will be displayed during the sponsored event (\$2,000 outstanding bal from Feb Spring Conference due to COVID surge converted to virtual)	
Santa Clarita Valley Economic Development Corporation (SCVEDC)	2022 Economic Outlook	Sept 9, 2022	College of the Canyons	\$125		\$1,100	Bronze Sponsor: 2 tickets to the event, business card size color ad in Economic Outlook Book, Company promotion through electronic & social media event marketing, Company name in event presentation	1100
Junior Chamber International (JCI) Santa Clarita jcisantaclarita.com	Get Real Adulting 101 A Teen Financial Workshop www.getrealscv.com	Sept 10, 2022 - 10:00 A.M.	Santa Clarita Sports Complex				Providing info booth w/customer care staff to help students understand costs and process for establishing water service.	
AWA	Annual Member & Policymakers' Reception	Sept 15, 2022	Ronald Reagan Presidential Library - Simi Valley	Free to members		\$500	Representative Sponsor: Acknowledgement on invitation & program, Agency name on signage	500
City of Santa Clarita	River Rally	Sept 17, 2022 11 A.M.	Wiley Canyon Road, east of Orchard Village Road off Via Princessa Bridge	N/A			Info booth focused on drought. Providing some bottled water to event. Location does not provide potable water access to use our refill station.	
DWR	C.A.S.T. for Kids Foundation castforkids.org	Oct 1, 2022 - 9:00 A.M.	Castaic Lake	N/A			About 15 of SCV Water staff volunteer for the event; pay for kids fishing accessories, shirts, provide water, etc.	
Ca Association of Local Agency Formation Commissions (CALAFCO)	Annual Conference	Oct 19-21, 2022	Hyatt Regency Newport Beach, CA	N/A		\$950	Full page ad in memory of Vice President Jerry Gladbach	
SCV Chambers	Salute to Patriots	Nov 4, 2022 - 4 P.M.	SCV Senior Center at Bella Vista	\$60		\$500	2 VIP seating, logo on all electronic materials, emails and social media, recognition in media and press	
SCV Education Foundation	Touch a Truck scveducationfoundation.org	Nov 5, 2022 A.M - 2 P.M.	Central Park	N/A			Water Bottle Fill Station plus info booth water/conservation info and activity	
SCV Public Library	Annual Family Literacy Festival	Dec 3, 2022 A.M. - 2 P.M.	Old Town Newhall Library	N/A			Info booth plus water bottle refill station (Link leads to 2021 info. New event listing has not been posted yet)	



July 5, 2022 Regular Board Meeting

1. Approve Legislative Advocacy Contract Renewal
2. Presentation: Drought Messaging Action Plan

July 21, 2022 Committee Meeting

1. Legislative Consultant Reports
2. Discussion of Draft Board Resolution and Initial Implementation Action from the Engagement Gap Analysis
3. Presentation: Overview of School Education Program
4. Communications Manager Activities:
 - Legislative Tracking
 - Grant Status Report
 - Sponsorship Tracking FY 2022/23
 - Committee Planning Calendar FY 2022/23

August 2, 2022 Regular Board Meeting

1. Approve a Resolution Adopting the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency In Support of Inclusive Communications & Engagement

August 18, 2022 Committee Meeting

1. Legislative Consultant Reports
2. Communications Manager Activities:
 - Social Media Quarterly Report
 - Legislative Tracking
 - Grant Status Report
 - Sponsorship Tracking FY 2022/23
 - Committee Planning Calendar FY 2022/23

September 15, 2022 Committee Meeting

1. Legislative Consultant Reports
2. Communications Manager Activities:
 - Legislative Tracking
 - Grant Status Report
 - Sponsorship Tracking FY 2022/23
 - Committee Planning Calendar FY 2022/23

October 20, 2022 Committee Meeting

1. Legislative Consultant Reports
2. Discussion of Jerry Gladbach Scholarship and/or Internship
3. Discussion of Water Academy Pilot Session
4. Agency's New Website Status Report
5. Communications Manager Activities:
 - Legislative Tracking
 - Grant Status Report
 - Sponsorship Tracking FY 2022/23
 - Committee Planning Calendar FY 2022/23

November 17, 2022 Committee Meeting

1. Legislative Consultant Reports
2. Discussion of Jerry Gladbach Scholarship

3. Communications Manager Activities:
 - Social Media Quarterly Report
 - Legislative Tracking
 - Grant Status Report
 - Sponsorship Tracking FY 2022/23
 - Committee Planning Calendar FY 2022/23

December 6, 2022 Regular Board Meeting

1. Discussion of Jerry Gladbach Scholarship

December 15, 2022 Committee Meeting

1. Legislative Consultant Reports
2. Discussion of the 2023 Legislative Platform and Advocacy Process
3. Communications Manager Activities:
 - Legislative Tracking
 - Grant Status Report
 - Sponsorship Tracking FY 2022/23
 - Committee Planning Calendar FY 2022/23

January 3, 2023 Regular Board Meeting

1. Adoption of the 2023 Legislative Platform

January 19, 2023 Committee Meeting

1. Legislative Consultant Reports
2. Outreach 2022 Year in Review
3. Communications Manager's Report

February 16, 2023 Committee Meeting

1. Legislative Consultant Reports
2. Discussion of Crisis Communication Plan
3. Communications Manager's Report

March 16, 2023 Committee Meeting

1. Legislative Consultant Reports
2. Discussion of Staffing Consideration
3. Communications Manager's Report

April 20, 2023 Committee Meeting

1. Legislative Consultant Reports
2. Discussion of FY 2023/24 and FY 2024/25 Public Outreach Operating Budget
3. Communications Manager's Report

May 18, 2023 Committee Meeting

1. Legislative Consultant Reports
2. Communications Manager's Report

June 15, 2023 Committee Meeting

1. Legislative Consultant Reports
2. Communications Manager's Report