




**Date:** May 9, 2018

**To:** Public Outreach and Legislation Committee  
Jacque McMillan Chair  
B.J. Atkins  
Kathy Colley  
Jerry Gladbach  
Lynne Plambeck

**From:** Steve Cole   
Assistant General Manager

The **Public Outreach and Legislation Committee** is scheduled to meet on **Thursday, May 17, 2018 at 5:30 PM at Santa Clarita Water Division** located at 26521 Summit Circle, Santa Clarita, CA 91350 in the Training Room.

### MEETING AGENDA

1. Public Comments
2. Legislative Consultant Report
  - \* 2.1 Anchor Consulting
  - \* 2.2 California Advocates
3. Presentation: Water Bottle Fill Station
4. \* Recommend Approval of Supporting the Water Supply and Water Quality Act of 2018
5. Informational
  - \* 5.1 Legislative Tracking 2018
  - \* 5.2 Public Outreach Events 2018
6. Other Staff Activities
  - ◆ 6.1 Status: Stakeholder List
  - 6.2 Status: Agency's Website – reports and documents library search
7. Adjournment

- \* Indicates attachments
- ◆ To be distributed

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Posted on: Wednesday, May 9, 2018



# Memorandum

**To:** Matt Stone, Steve Cole  
**CC:** Hunt Braly  
**From:** Harry Henderson  
**Date:** 5/7/2018  
**Re:** May 2018 Federal Legislative Brief Update

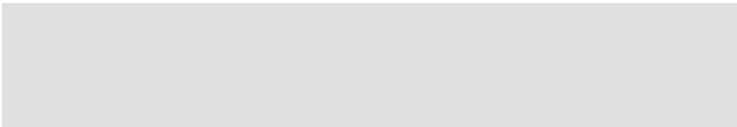
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Per Steve Cole’s direction, Anchor is providing you with a brief update of activities in Washington. Normally, the month of April is spent working through a Federal budget, the broad outline of top-line financial figures for the Federal government. However, in December, Congress passed a two-year Federal budget including Fiscal Year 2018. Thus, the month of April was primarily spent dealing with other issues and preparing the agenda for the final six months of the current Congressional session.

Congress’ list of “must-pass” legislative items include:

- Reauthorization of the Water Resources Development Act;
- Completion of the Fiscal Year 2018 Appropriations process;
- A Transportation Investment Act;
- Comprehensive Immigration Reform; and
- Approval of President Trump’s cabinet and subcabinet officials.

While we may technically have seven months remaining on the calendar, Congress is only scheduled to be in session for roughly three of those months. With a busy, and highly competitive, campaign season about to kick into high gear, there will be little time for Congress to complete much beyond this list.





Below you will find a brief synopsis of relevant information to the Agency. Furthermore, we have outlined for you a few of the issues we continue to track, and the action being taken on those matters.

#### Water Resources Development Act:

Chairman Shuster of the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee (House T&I Committee) indicated that he wanted to return to the practice of passing a Water Resources Development Act (WRDA) every two years. In 2014 and 2016, Congress did just that. Currently, the House T&I Committee is gearing up for their version of the 2018 WRDA. A few relevant points here:

- WRDA authorizes the Army Corps of Engineers to conduct a wide variety of programs associated with the nation's water infrastructure and environmental remediation. The legislation typically enjoys broad bipartisan support and funds programs such as harbor dredging, environmental remediation efforts, and flood control.
- In the past, the Agency (CLWA at the time) has received authorization through WRDA for remediation of the Eastern Santa Clara River Watershed (perchlorate remediation). In total, the Army Corps of Engineers was authorized to fund over \$10 million toward this effort.
- The Agency and Anchor have been working on finding projects and programs for consideration within WRDA that could impact a variety of initiatives. Anchor has held several conference calls with the Agency on this matter and is in the process of finalizing our Federal strategy on this subject.
- Anchor expects that the House T&I Committee will be considering WRDA legislation sometime this summer with floor consideration sometime in the fall. The Senate has not yet released or discussed a plan for moving forward with their legislation.

#### FY2018 Appropriations:

With the completion of the FY2017 Appropriations process and the two-year budget approved, Congress will now turn its attention to the FY2018 Appropriations process. The House is likely to consider and pass all 11 legislative measures to fund the Federal government. However, the Senate is unlikely to follow suit. As such, we expect that a Continuing Resolution or stop-gap funding measure is likely to be considered in late September funding the Federal government through mid-December.



Our sense on this subject is that both bodies will move forward with some legislative action toward the FY2018 Appropriations process. However, both bodies are also likely to wait to see what the results of the 2018 mid-term elections will be before taking final action on the FY2018 Appropriations package. More to come on this subject.

#### CEMEX:

As we mentioned before, Congress included language – at the request of Representative Steve Knight – within the FY2017 Appropriations Omnibus Act regarding the future mining contracts at the Soledad Canyon/CEMEX location. This legislation effectively ended any further mining beyond the current contracts that the BLM has on the site. While it is unknown what the IBLA will rule on the future of the site, this legislation effectively limits what can and cannot be done at CEMEX. It also represents the first major legislative action on this topic in roughly 20 years.

Anchor continues to assist on this matter in any way possible and stays in close correspondence with interested parties.

#### Other Issues:

- Anchor continues to monitor actions associated with the Waters of the United States case. Nothing new to report on this matter. All parties appear ready to move to the courts for the next phase of this fight.
- Anchor is closely monitoring the future leadership of both parties associated with the House of Representatives. With the retirement of Speaker Paul Ryan, Anchor has carefully monitored the progress of individuals such as Majority Leader Kevin McCarthy as he seeks to take over as Speaker in the next Congress. Furthermore, Anchor has reviewed the recent announcements by Minority Leader Nancy Pelosi and the team of “potential Chairman and Chairwoman of a Democratic Majority.”
- Anchor would again remind members of the Board that should they be approached or discuss the upcoming mid-term elections with the press (national, local, or Washington, DC-based) to please give our firm a “heads-up” on the conversation. We continue to expect that the 2018 election for Representative Steve Knight’s seat will be highly contentious.
- We also continue to keep the Agency informed of actions going on back here in Washington pertaining to the Agency.



## House Energy and Water Appropriations Act

### Summary:

On May 7, 2018, the House Energy and Water Appropriations Subcommittee released their version of the Fiscal Year 2019 (FY2019) Energy and Water Appropriations Act provides annual funding for the Department of Energy, the nation's nuclear weapons activities, the Army Corps of Engineers, the Bureau of Reclamation, and other related agencies. Specifics of this legislation include:

- \$44.7 billion in total funding
- \$1.5 billion more than FY2018 levels
- \$8.17 billion above the President's budget request

### Areas of Interest to SCV Water:

- *Army Corps of Engineers:*
  - \$7.28 billion in total funding
  - An increase of \$451 million above FY2018 levels
  - Focuses funding on activities that will have an immediate impact on public safety, job creation, and economic growth
  - \$3.3 billion for navigation projects and studies
  - \$2.1 billion for public health and safety through flood and storm damage reduction activities (\$190 million above FY2018 levels)
- *Environmental Remediation:*
  - \$6.9 billion for environmental management activities
- *Bureau of Reclamation:*
  - \$1.56 billion in total funding
  - \$75 million above FY2018 levels
  - \$134 million for water storage projects authorized in the WIIN Act.

### Other Provisions of Interest:

- Repeals the Waters of the United States Rule
- Restricts the application of the Clean Water Act in certain agricultural areas, including farm ponds and irrigation ditches
- Allows possession of firearms on Corps of Engineers lands
- Codifies language regarding the operation of the Federal Columbia River Power system

-VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL-

May 6, 2018

ITEM NO.  
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MEMORANDUM

TO: Steve Cole, Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency

FROM: Dennis K. Albiani, Erinn Ryberg, California Advocates, Inc.

SUBJECT: May Report

**Legislation to Transfer State Water Project Introduced, Passed Committee**

Legislation that would transfer the State Water Project to a 9 person Commission was placed into another bill and passed the Assembly Water Parks and Wildlife Committee this week. **AB 3045 (Gallagher)** was introduced as a measure to move the dam safety provisions from DWR to another ill-defined entity. This stems from the Oroville Dam spillway issue from last winter. Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency, (SCV Water) was working with other state water contractors “watching” that measure. This week, heading into committee, Assembly Member Gallagher amended the legislation to transfer the entire project to a 9 member commission. He worked with the committee staff and identified an earlier Little Hoover Commission report as the genesis. However, he only took part of one of the proposals studied and clearly veered from the recommendation studied.

SCV Water has taken an aggressive stance in opposition to **AB 3045 (Gallagher)**. We met with the State Water Contractors advocates and pulled together key issues including cost shifting, impact on the remaining programs at DWR, impact on bonds and bonding authority as well as other issues. We have been actively engaging the Assembly Appropriations Committee members and staff. The bill is scheduled to be heard in this Committee May 16<sup>th</sup>.

**Asm Water Parks and Wildlife Schedule 2 Oversight Hearings on Consecutive Days**

On May 8<sup>th</sup>, the ASM Water Parks and Wildlife Committee will hear expert testimony on the Salton sea. On May 9<sup>th</sup> two additional Committees, Asm Accountability and Administrative Review Committee and Budget Sub 3 will hold an oversight hearing on the CA Water Fix. Below are the Committee announcements. Beside experts from DWR, the Committees will hear from state water contractors, delta interests and environmental representatives.

The hearings coincide with ACWA’s spring meetings in Sacramento. Therefore, many experts will be in attendance and there will be a larger audience.

TUESDAY, MAY 8, 2018

ASSEMBLY WATER, PARKS, AND WILDLIFE COMMITTEE  
EDUARDO GARCIA, Chair

9 a.m. — State Capitol, Room 444

OVERSIGHT HEARING

SUBJECT: Implementation of the Salton Sea Management Plan

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WEDNESDAY, MAY 9, 2018

JOINT HEARING

ASSEMBLY ACCOUNTABILITY AND ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW COMMITTEE  
AND  
ASSEMBLY WATER, PARKS, AND WILDLIFE COMMITTEE  
AND  
ASSEMBLY BUDGET SUBCOMMITTEE NO. 3 ON RESOURCES AND  
TRANSPORTATION

EGGMAN, EDUARDO GARCIA, BLOOM, Chairs

9:30 a.m. — State Capitol, Room 437

OVERSIGHT HEARING

SUBJECT: Update on the California WaterFix Project

### **Santa Clara Valley Water District Delays Vote to Fund Cal Water Fix**

After a five-hour packed public hearing, the board of Silicon Valley's largest water provider postponed a decision on whether to provide up to \$650 million toward a \$17 billion plan to build two giant tunnels under the Sacramento-San Joaquin River Delta to move water south.

Board members worried that ratepayers will bear the brunt of likely cost overruns on a project of such a large size, so they asked for more time to read and understand hundreds of pages of staff reports and draft contracts, some of which were presented to them only 24 hours earlier.

Several board members who voted against the two-tunnel plan in October said Wednesday that they changed their minds after the powerful Metropolitan Water District of Southern California, which has 20 million customers, voted to contribute \$11 billion to the project last month.

The Santa Clara Valley Water District, which provides water to 2 million people, is considered a key player in the tunnels debate because its support would allow Brown and other supporters to frame the issue as a statewide one, rather than a north-south battle.

A decision will be made next week.



## **Bill to Establish New Delta Agency Fails**

The Assembly Water, Parks and Wildlife Committee failed to approve a controversial bill which attempted to dismantle the Delta Stewardship Council (DSC) and would have transferred its duties to the Delta Protection Coalition.

The DSC was created in 2009 to balance the restoration and protection of the Delta region with the needs of people and businesses that depend on the Delta's water. However, its critics argue that the DSC favors water interests in Southern California over needs of the Delta and the communities its resources support. According to the bill's supporters, **AB 1876 (Frazier)** would have promoted a more fair and balanced approach that would address the coequal goals of water supply and restoring the environment.

Despite the bill failing to pass out of Committee the author remains determined, so the issue will likely come up again.

## **Bond Elections Continue to Make Headlines**

This June and November California Voters will be asked to Fund Two State Water Bonds California voters will be asked this year to approve \$13 billion in two separate water bonds that collectively would pay for safe drinking water, improve water quality systems and watersheds, and increase funding for parks and water infrastructure improvements. Notably, neither measure includes money for surface water storage.

Proposition 68, the California Clean Water and Safe Parks Act, is a \$4.1 billion measure set for the June 5 ballot. The proposition would allocate \$550 million to protect local communities from flooding, \$540 million to ensure safe drinking water, \$357 million to protect and restore rivers, lakes and streams and \$180 million to increase water supplies with groundwater cleanup and water recycling. It also includes \$1.3 billion to improve state, county and local parks and promote tourism and \$1.2 billion to protect natural resources and prepare for natural disasters like wildfires, floods and droughts.

The Water Supply and Water Quality Act is an \$8.9 billion measure that has qualified for the November ballot. This measure would give \$750 million for safe water to disadvantaged communities, particularly in the Central Valley. There is \$675 million earmarked for implementation of the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act, which would stabilize groundwater levels in overdraft groundwater basins, and \$500 million slated for water for fisheries. The measure would give \$100 million for Central Valley flood management and flood plain restoration and would provide funding for urban and agricultural conservation, storm water management and more. Additionally, it will also help restore the delivery capacity of the Friant-Kern Canal, which runs from Fresno to Bakersfield and provides water to 15,000 farms. The canal lost most of its capacity due to subsidence caused by overdraft of groundwater.


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## COMMITTEE MEMORANDUM

**DATE:** May 9, 2018

**TO:** Public Outreach and Legislation Committee

**FROM:** Steve Cole   
Assistant General Manager

**SUBJECT:** Recommend Approval of Supporting the Water Supply and Water Quality Act of 2018

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### SUMMARY

On April 25, the California Secretary of State announced that sufficient signatures have been submitted to place the water bond on the November 2018 ballot. The State Water Supply Infrastructure, Water Conveyance, Ecosystem and Watershed Protection and Restoration and Drinking Water Protection Act of 2018 (Water Supply and Water Quality Act of 2018) is an \$8.9 billion general obligation bond measure. If approved by voters, the measure would provide funding for water infrastructure, including key categories like: safe drinking water, Sustainable Groundwater Management (SGMA) implementation, watershed restoration, fish and wildlife habitat conservation, infrastructure repair, and many other important management programs.

Attached for the Committee's consideration is a draft resolution in support of the Water Supply and Water Quality Act of 2018.

### DISCUSSION

This bond would fund a wide range of water projects from safe drinking water projects to SGMA implementation and watershed improvements.

This bond measure compliments the California Drought, Water, Parks, Climate, Coastal Protection, and Outdoor Access for All Act of 2018 on the scheduled for the June 5, 2018 ballot. Together these bonds will build upon the successes of Proposition 1 and secure further investment in the California Water Action Plan.

The bond is supported by a broad coalition of water, business, conservation, labor and agriculture organizations including the Association of California Water Agencies (ACWA). ACWA's Board of Directors voted to unanimously support the Water Supply and Water Quality Act of 2018.

### FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

Passage of the bond could potentially have significant benefits in grant funding for conservation, water recycling projects, Integrated Regional Water Management projects and better watershed management including SGMA implementation.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

The Public Outreach and Legislation Committee recommends the Board of Directors adopt the attached resolution supporting the Water Supply and Water Quality Act of 2018.

Attachment

**RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_**

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
OF THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY WATER AGENCY  
SUPPORTING THE WATER SUPPLY AND WATER QUALITY ACT OF 2018**

**WHEREAS**, California faces a new climate reality and a growing list of challenges associated with aging infrastructure, natural disasters, climate change, population growth and other factors; and

**WHEREAS**, water managers and top leaders including Governor Jerry Brown agree that California needs to improve water supply reliability and ecosystem health in California; and

**WHEREAS**, on April 25, 2018, the California Secretary of State announced that sufficient signatures have been submitted to place the water bond on the November 8, 2018 ballot.

**WHEREAS**, if approved by voters, the measure would provide \$8.877 billion in bond in California water infrastructure, including key categories like: safe drinking water, Sustainable Groundwater Management (SGMA) implementation, watershed restoration, fish and wildlife habitat conservation, infrastructure repair, and many other important water management programs the Association of California Water Agencies (ACWA) and its members have long advocated as a part of a statewide comprehensive plan; and

**WHEREAS**, this bond measure compliments the California Drought, Water, Parks, Climate, Coastal Protection, and Outdoor Access for All Act of 2018 on the scheduled for the June 5, 2018 ballot. Together these bonds will build upon the successes of Proposition 1 and secure further investment in the California Water Action Plan.

**WHEREAS**, ACWA's Board of Directors voted unanimously to formally support the Water Supply and Water Quality Act of 2018.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Directors of Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency formally support the Water Supply and Water Quality Act of 2018.

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# The Water Supply and Water Quality Act of 2018

This is a summary and selection of information from WaterBond.org.

**What is it?** A citizen's initiative water bond on the November 2018 statewide California ballot. It will invest \$8.877 billion dollars in California water infrastructure, including key categories like: safe drinking water, Sustainable Groundwater Management (SGMA) implementation, watershed restoration, fish and wildlife habitat conservation, and infrastructure repair. The bill has received support across the board from conservation, agricultural, environmental justice, water and civic organizations. It is a balanced water bond measure, resulting in improved water supplies for every part of the state, and provides some of the much-needed investment in California's sustainable water future.

**Benefits for Southern California:** This is a sample of benefits anticipated, with more listed on the website. For the majority of those listed, all Southern California Counties would be eligible to apply for funds. (Imperial, Kern, LA, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, San Diego, Santa Barbara, Ventura)

- **Safe Drinking Water and Wastewater treatment:** \$750 million.
- **Wastewater Recycling:** \$400 million.
- **Groundwater Desalination:** \$400 million.
- **Water Conservation for urban areas:** \$300 million.
- **Water and Energy Technology program:** \$15 million. Of great importance to help all water districts save energy and water.
- **Flood control reservoir repair:** \$100 million. Corps of Engineers and other flood control reservoirs needing repair in Los Angeles, Riverside and other counties are eligible for these funds, which will allow increased water yield.
- **Improved water measurement and research:** \$60 million.
- **Stormwater management for water supply and water quality improvement:** \$510 million. Of these funds, \$80 million are earmarked for Los Angeles County, and \$40 million for San Diego County.
- **Integrated Regional Water Management:** \$5 million. All IRWM agencies can compete for these funds, to continue IRWM coordination.
- **Natural Community Conservation Plan implementation:** \$60 million.
- **Wildlife Conservation Board:** \$240 million.
- **State Parks watershed restoration and water systems:** \$150 million.
- **Dept. of Conservation watershed restoration and ag land program** \$60 million.
- **Urban Streams** \$50 million.
- **Urban Forestry** \$20 million.
- **Non-motorized river and lake access** \$20 million.
- **Cal Fire fire and watershed mitigation** \$50 million.
- **Sustainable Groundwater Management Act implementation** \$640 million.
- **Waterfowl enhancement** \$280 million.

## **Selected Q & A from WaterBond.org**

### **What is the need for more State investment in water resources? What is the role of local water agencies and the federal government in paying for this infrastructure?**

The State of California has invested many billions of dollars in water infrastructure. This is because California has three distinct water problems. First, most precipitation falls north of Sacramento, but most water demand for cities and agriculture is south of Sacramento. Second, most precipitation falls in the winter, but most demand is in the summer. Third, most of the population lives near the coast, but most rivers and groundwater are inland.

Although some large cities like San Francisco, Los Angeles, and the East Bay have built large pipelines to move water from east to west, it has taken huge state and federal investments to move store winter and spring runoff, and move water hundreds of miles from north to south and east to west for the benefit of most Californians. The federal government has invested billions of dollars over the past 100 years, but there have not been any major new federal infrastructure investments in California water for nearly 40 years. During this time, the demand for water for vitally important environmental concerns, as well as population growth, have added to the pressures on the existing system.

The state has helped fill the gap by passing a series of water bonds, beginning in 1960, and continuing through 2014. The state has presented the voters with 21 water bonds during that time, and 20 have been approved, totaling many billions of dollars.

Despite this large investment by the state, local water districts have invested even more money in storage, distribution, wastewater recycling, desalting, and many other forms of water management. The state usually acts as a partner to local water agencies, using state bond funds to incentivize local water projects which might have otherwise been built later to be built earlier.

### **Can California afford this bond?**

Yes. The state can afford a new water bond. Taking on new debt is always a serious consideration, however the state's bond rating is steadily improving, and the interest rate we pay is equivalent to a bond with an AAA rating. There is a huge demand for California bonds by the bond market.

As described in the 2016 Voter Handbook published by the Secretary of State and the Treasurer, California devotes less than five percent of its general fund budget to servicing general obligation bonds. This is well within the prudent limit for bond expenditures.

Bonds are almost the only way the state invests in repairing its water infrastructure.



## Benefits for Southern California from Water Bond Initiative

Southern California Counties: Imperial, Kern, Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, San Diego, Santa Barbara, Ventura,

**Safe Drinking Water and Wastewater treatment:** \$750 million. There are several communities in Imperial and other Southern California counties that can apply for these funds.

**Wastewater Recycling:** \$400 million. Every county in Southern California will have a project eligible for these funds.

**Groundwater Desalination:** \$400 million. These funds will be especially useful in Riverside, San Bernardino, Ventura and other Southern California counties.

**Water Conservation for urban areas:** \$300 million. All Southern California counties will be eligible for these funds.

**Water and Energy Technology program:** \$15 million. Of great importance to help all water districts save energy and water.

**Flood control reservoir repair:** \$100 million. Corps of Engineers and other flood control reservoirs needing repair in Los Angeles, Riverside and other counties are eligible for these funds, which will allow increased water yield.

**Improved water measurement and research:** \$60 million. Every Southern California county will be eligible for these funds.

**Stormwater management for water supply and water quality improvement:** \$510 million. Of these funds, \$80 million are earmarked for Los Angeles County, and \$40 million for San Diego County. All southern California counties can compete for the State Water Resources Control Board allocation of \$400 million, and the coastal counties can compete for the \$40 million allocated to the Coastal Conservancy.

**Intergrated Regional Water Management:** \$5 million. All IRWM agencies can compete for these funds, to continue IRWM coordination.

### **Allocations to regional agencies for better watershed management:**

**Coastal Conservancy:** \$135 million. San Diego, Orange, Los Angeles, Ventura, and Santa Barbara Counties eligible.

**Los Angeles and San Gabriel River and Mountain Conservancy:** \$60 million

**Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy:** \$60 million

**Santa Ana River (Coastal Conservancy):** \$30 million

**Baldwin Hills Conservancy:** \$30 million

**San Diego River Conservancy:** \$40 million

**Coachella Valley and Mountains Conservancy** \$25 million

**River Parkways: \$70 million** all Southern California counties eligible.

The following are in addition to the statewide allocation:

**Santa Clara River (Coastal Conservancy)** \$10 million

**Tijuana River (Coastal Conservancy):** \$10 million

**San Diego Bay (Coastal Conservancy)** \$15 million

**Santa Margarita River (Coastal Conservancy):** \$15 million

**Los Angeles River (Equally divided by River and Mountain Conservancy and Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy):** \$150 million

**Natural Community Conservation Plan implementation:** \$60 million. All Southern California counties eligible.

**Wildlife Conservation Board:** \$240 million. All Southern California Counties eligible.

**State Parks watershed restoration and water systems:** \$150 million. All Southern California Counties eligible.

**Department of Conservation watershed restoration and ag land program** \$60 million. All Southern California Counties eligible.

**Ocean Protection** \$100 million. San Diego, Orange, Los Angeles, Ventura and Santa Barbara counties eligible.

**Salton Sea habitat and dust control** \$200 million. This directly benefits Imperial, Riverside, San Bernardino, Los Angeles, and San Diego Counties due to the dust control elements.

**Urban Streams** \$50 million. All Southern California Counties eligible.

**Urban Forestry** \$20 million. All Southern California Counties eligible.

**Non motorized river and lake access** \$20 million. All Southern California Counties eligible.

**Matilija Dam Removal** \$80 million. Benefits Ventura County.

**UC Natural Reserves** \$25 million. All Southern California Counties eligible.

**Sierra Nevada Conservancy fire and watershed mitigation** \$50 million. Kern County eligible.

**Cal Fire fire and watershed mitigation** \$50 million. All Southern California Counties eligible.

**Land management for water supply.** \$100 million. All Southern California Counties eligible.

**Conservation Corps** \$40 million. All Southern California Counties eligible.

**Sustainable Groundwater Management Act implementation** \$640 million. There are a number of areas throughout Southern California that do not have adjudicated groundwater basins. All these areas would be eligible for funding in this category.

**Borrego Groundwater stabilization** \$35 million. San Diego County.

**Waterfowl enhancement** \$280 million. There are waterfowl areas in all Southern California Counties that would be eligible for these funds.

**Friant Kern Canal restoration** \$750 million. Kern County would be a major beneficiary of these funds.

**Use of fees paid pursuant to AB 32 (greenhouse gas reduction)** Fees currently paid by Metropolitan Water District, Kern County Water Agency and other southern California State Water Project contractors would be used for water and energy conservation projects within Southern California. This will amount to as much as \$50 million per year in future years.

**There are additional funds which would be spent north of Southern California, but which would be of major benefit to Southern California. These include**

**Oroville Dam Repair** \$200 million. To the extent that these costs end up falling on State Water Project contractors, 80% of these costs would fall on the Kern County Water Agency, Metropolitan Water District of Southern California and the other State Water Project contractors in Southern California.

**Fisheries restoration** \$1.15 billion. Export of water to Southern California from the Delta is restricted due to fish flow requirements, largely for rare and endangered species. Fisheries habitat restoration in tributaries to the Delta, and in the Delta itself, should increase populations of these fish, thus relieving pressure to reduce Delta exports.

**Sierra Nevada Conservancy and Department of Forestry and Fire Protection.** \$300 million. These funds will go to improving watershed health and water productivity of the watersheds which are the source of a third of Southern California's water.

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## LEGISLATION TRACKING

Letters of Support/Opposition

ITEM NO.  
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Date	Bill/Initiative	Title	Stand	Notes	Leg. Policy*
5/9/2018	Assembly Hearing	CA WaterFix Coalition (Atkins/Rendon)	SUPPORT	Signed on to coalition letter in advance of an Assembly Committee meeting	1.0
4/16/2018	AB 2694 (Arambula)	Water Rights	OPPOSE	Lacks important safeguards to insure permanent underground storage is implemented in a way that protects existing water users and the environment	4.0 & 10
4/13/2018	SR 96 (Wilk)	Proposed mining project	OPPOSE	Signed on to letter from City of Santa Clarita, opposing CEMEX planned operations in Soledad Canyon, which would have a negative effect on the Santa Clara River	4.0
4/4/2018	SB 929 (McGuire)	Website Transparency (special districts)	SUPPORT	CSDA sponsored bill to increase awareness, accessibility, transparency of special districts, more than half of which do not have websites.	9.0
3/26/2018	AB 1876 (Frazier)	Delta Stewardship Council	OPPOSE	Delta policy. The replacement "Delta Protection Commission" is dominated by in-Delta interest.	2.0
3/22/2018	WaterSense	EPA WaterSense program	SUPPORT	This letter urges the administrator of the EPA to continue to fund the program.	5.0
3/19/2018	Budget Trailer Bill	Drinking Water Tax	OPPOSE unless amended	Seeks to establish a fund through state-mandated tax on local ratepayers, with funds going to SWRCB to assist those who do not have access to safe drinking water. Alternative funding sources proposed: State Revolving Fund; GO Bonds (i.e. Prop 68); Ag funding; General Fund	9.0
3/19/2018	AB 2543 (Eggman)	State Infrastructure Projects	OPPOSE	Adds new costs/paperwork to state entities advancing infrastructure projects to provide info already available by request [changes in cost (10%) or schedule (12 mos.)].	9.0
3/14/2018	Prop 68	Drought, Water, Parks, Climate, Coastal Protection and Outdoor Access for All Act (June 2018)	RESO in Support	General obligation bond (\$4 billion) which includes safe drinking water, watershed restoration, groundwater investments/recharge, recycled water, more	4.0

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\* Reference to applicable section of Legislative Policy Guidelines  
Revised: May 3, 2018

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## 2018 Public Outreach Events

<b>ITEM NO. 5.2</b>
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This is a list of events where SCV Water participates as a vendor, or as the host, in the case of the garden classes and Open House. We set up a branded outreach booth with information on our classes, programs, water supply, conservation efforts, etc. All retail divisions will be represented under the SCV Water umbrella, with occasional expanded presence by conservation staff.

	<b>Event</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Notes (Pre and/or Post)</b>
<b>January</b>			
1/6	Landscape class	Admin	Proper Pruning
1/11	Landscape class (evening)	Admin	Creating a Landscape Plan and Budget
<b>February</b>			
2/8	Landscape class (evening)	Admin	Designing a Sustainable Landscape
2/10	Landscape class	Admin	Waterwise Vegetable Gardening
2/25	Mardi Gras Madness 5K/10K	Valencia Town Center	Students Off And Running: free afterschool program for youth in need through training for and completing a marathon. Fundraiser for SOAR: <a href="https://mgm5k.weebly.com/">https://mgm5k.weebly.com/</a>
<b>March</b>			
3/8	Landscape class (evening)	Admin	Top 30 Plants for the SCV
3/10	Landscape class	Admin	Creating a Landscape Plan and Budget
3/17	Michael Hoefflin 5K Walk for Kids with Cancer	COC	The Michael Hoefflin Foundation is a non-profit organization that assists children diagnosed with cancer and their families. <a href="https://www.mhf.org/mhf-walk-kids-cancer/">https://www.mhf.org/mhf-walk-kids-cancer/</a>
<b>April</b>			
4/8	Dragon Boat Racing	Castaic Lake	Hosted by Castaic Lake Dragon Boat Club <a href="https://www.facebook.com/events/147534415894351/">https://www.facebook.com/events/147534415894351/</a>
4/14	Landscape class	Admin	Drip Irrigation
4/15	Castaic Town Council 5K	Castaic Lake	<a href="https://www.castaictowncouncil.org/annual-run">https://www.castaictowncouncil.org/annual-run</a>
4/19	Landscape class (evening)	Admin	Irrigating a Sustainable Landscape
4/21-22	Cowboy Poetry Festival	Various	City event - <a href="http://cowboyleft.org/">http://cowboyleft.org/</a>
4/28	Water Quality from a Public Health Perspective	Admin	Speakers' Bureau: Cal. State University Northridge Nursing students. Speaker: Jeff Koelewyn / Lab Supervisor. Topic: Water Quality.
4/28-29	Earth/Arbor Day/H&G Show	Central Park	City event - <a href="http://greensantaclarita.com/eartharborday/">http://greensantaclarita.com/eartharborday/</a> KHTS event - <a href="http://www.santaclaritahomeandgardenshow.com/">http://www.santaclaritahomeandgardenshow.com/</a>
<b>May</b>			
5/5	Fishing & Fun for Kids Day	Castaic Lake	Presented by Friends of Castaic Lake

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5/5-6	Pacific Islander Festival	Hart Park	<a href="https://www.facebook.com/SCVPIF/">https://www.facebook.com/SCVPIF/</a>
5/6	Taste of the Town	Mann Bio. Park	Child and Family Center Fundraiser <a href="http://childfamilycenter.org/events/">http://childfamilycenter.org/events/</a>
5/9	SCV Water: Clear Goals, Bold Ideas and a Whole Lot of Grit	Sacramento, CA	ACWA Spring Conference Panel. Panelists: Joe Byrne (BBK), Steve Cole, Bill Cooper, Maria Gutzeit.
5/10	Conservation and Gardening Resources	Sierra Hills Swim & Racquet Club	Speakers' Bureau: Gardening Club of Santa Clarita. Speaker: Matt Dickens. Topic: gardening classes, conservation programs, plant selection and other resources.
5/11	Open House Set up (dark Friday)		
5/12	Open House	Central Park	Annual Agency Open House to celebrate California Water Awareness Month
5/15	SCV Water: Clear Goals, Bold Ideas and a Whole Lot of Grit	Valencia Country Club	Speakers' Bureau: Valley Industry Association. Speakers: Matt Stone and Maria Gutzeit. Topic: New Agency
5/16	SCV Chamber Mixer	Admin	SCV Water will host the monthly SCV Chamber Business After Hours Mixer
5/17	Landscape class (evening)	Admin	Caring for the Top 30 Plants for the SCV
5/19	Landscape class	Admin	Landscaping with Perennials
5/19	Veteran Appreciation Day	Hart Park	Presented by Help the Children
<b>June</b>			
6/9-10	SCV Quilt Show	Hart Park	<a href="http://www.scvquiltguild.org/Quilt_Show.htm">http://www.scvquiltguild.org/Quilt_Show.htm</a>
6/14	Landscape class (evening)	Admin	Maintaining a Sustainable Landscape
6/16	Landscape class	Admin	Shrubs and Native Plants
6/16	Touch a Truck	Central Park	Supports SC Senior Center <a href="http://myscvcoa.org/touch-a-truck/">http://myscvcoa.org/touch-a-truck/</a>
6/	Jazz & Blues Concerts	Hyatt	Fundraiser for Child and Family Center
<b>July</b>			
7/12	Landscape class (evening)	Admin	Creating a Landscape Plan and Budget
7/21	Landscape class	Admin	The Basics of a Sustainable Landscape
7/	Jazz & Blues Concerts	Hyatt	Fundraiser for Child and Family Center
7/	Concert in the Park	Central Park	City event - <a href="http://www.santa-clarita.com/city-hall/departments/recreation-community-services-and-open-space/events/concerts-in-the-park">http://www.santa-clarita.com/city-hall/departments/recreation-community-services-and-open-space/events/concerts-in-the-park</a>
<b>August</b>			
8/9	Landscape class (evening)	Admin	Designing a Sustainable Landscape
8/11	Landscape class	Admin	Proper Turf Care and Turf Substitutes
8/25	CAST for Kids	Pyramid Lake	Kids with disabilities, ages 6-17, experience the sport of fishing
8/	Concert in the Park	Central Park	City event - <a href="http://www.santa-clarita.com/city-hall/departments/recreation-community-services-and-open-space/events/concerts-in-the-park">http://www.santa-clarita.com/city-hall/departments/recreation-community-services-and-open-space/events/concerts-in-the-park</a>

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<b>September</b>			
9/6	Landscape class (evening)	Admin	Top 30 Plants for the SCV
9/8	Landscape class	Admin	Controlling Weeds, Pests and Diseases
9/8	9/11 Day of Service & Remembrance	Various	Hosted by Hands on SCV. A day of service to honor those lost and those who rose in service after the 9/11 attacks. <a href="http://www.handsonscv.org/main/events/9-11-days-of-service-remembrance">http://www.handsonscv.org/main/events/9-11-days-of-service-remembrance</a>
9/21-23	Main Street Chalk Art Festival	Newhall	<a href="http://www.otna.org">www.otna.org</a>
9/22	River Rally	TBD	Clean up of the Santa Clara River <a href="http://greensantaclarita.com/calendar/river-rally/">http://greensantaclarita.com/calendar/river-rally/</a>
9/29	Be the Light 5K	West Creek Park	<a href="http://www.bethelight5k.org/">http://www.bethelight5k.org/</a> Supporting A Light Of Hope (ALOH) <a href="https://www.alightofhopescv.org/">https://www.alightofhopescv.org/</a> , a program for recovery from addiction/self-destructive behaviors
<b>October</b>			
10/6-7	Pow Wow Festival	Hart Park	A festival celebrating Native American Culture. Hosted by William S. Hart County Park & Museum and the Friends of Hart Park. <a href="http://www.friendsofhartpark.org/Event_Pages/powwow.html">http://www.friendsofhartpark.org/Event_Pages/powwow.html</a>
10/6	CAST for Kids	Castaic Lake	Kids with disabilities, ages 6-17, experience the sport of fishing <a href="http://castforkids.org/event/castaiclake/">http://castforkids.org/event/castaiclake/</a>
10/7	American Legion Car Show	ALPost #507 - Newhall	
10/18	Landscape class (evening)	Admin	Irrigating a Sustainable Landscape
10/20	Landscape class	Admin	Trees for the SCV
10/20	LASD/Special Olympics Chili Cook off	Jack Bones Eq Center	Benefitting Special Olympics <a href="https://www.sosc.org/scvtv/chilicookoff">https://www.sosc.org/scvtv/chilicookoff</a>
10/28	Haunted Jailhouse		SCV Sheriff's Department
10/14 or 10/21	Kids Expo	Golden Valley HS	Child and Family Center benefit. <a href="http://childfamilycenter.org/events/">http://childfamilycenter.org/events/</a>
<b>November</b>			
11/1	Landscape class (evening)	Admin	Caring for the Top 30 Plants for the SCV
11/3	Landscape class	Admin	SCV Soils and Fertilizers
<b>December</b>			
12/1	Landscape class	Admin	How to Remove a Lawn
12/1	Castaic Lake Winter Magic	Castaic Lake	Hosted by Friends of Castaic Lake <a href="http://www.castaiclake.com/focl.html">http://www.castaiclake.com/focl.html</a>
12/3	Landscape class (evening)	Admin	Maintaining a Sustainable Landscape
12/15	5/10K Holiday Fun Run	Magic Mtn	By Hands on SCV volunteer center

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