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The **Public Outreach and Legislation Committee** is scheduled to meet on **Thursday, June 20, 2019 at 5:30 PM** at **Summit Circle Training Room** located at 26521 Summit Circle, Santa Clarita, CA. 91350.

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Posted on June 13, 2019.

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# Memorandum

**To:** Matt Stone, Steve Cole  
**CC:** Hunt Braly  
**From:** Harry Henderson  
**Date:** 6/11/2019  
**Re:** April - May 2019 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.

As the calendar turns to May and June, Congress traditionally turns its attention to passing the 12 individual Appropriations bills needed to fund the Federal government. In a "normal" year, the House and Senate would have already passed a Fiscal Year budget outlining the top-line figures for each of the Departments and Agencies. However, with a divided House and Senate and a President who often breaks from both in Fiscal matters, no budget agreement exists to provide a roadmap for each House of Congress for the FY2020 Appropriations process.

Add to this backdrop the likelihood that numerous Members of the Executive branch are going to be held in contempt of Congress for either failing to appear before Congressional Committees or failing to provide subpoenaed information, tensions in Washington are high. Recently, the Democratic leadership and the President were to meet on a topic that they are in stark agreement over – transportation infrastructure. Even something as agreeable as fixing roads, bridges, rail lines, and water infrastructure resulted in a breakdown where the President walked out of the meeting over comments by the Speaker of the House on unrelated matters.



All the while, Congress and the President are at serious odds over issues such as gun control, climate change, international trade, immigration, education policy, and taxes. With individual Appropriations bills to pass, required authorization acts to consider, and other measures that both Republicans and Democrats agree are needed, the plate is full for this Congress and is likely to require additional work into 2020 to complete.

While this may suggest that nothing is getting done, the reality is very different. The House of Representatives are poised to pass ten of the 12 individual Appropriations Acts over the next two to three weeks. The Senate believes that a budget agreement is possible with passage of their version of the Appropriations measures before the August recess. A debt ceiling increase is likely to be considered and approved sometime later this summer. PFAS legislation appears likely to move before the end of the calendar year. Even immigration reform appears as a possible end of year legislative action.

It is critical that Congress and the President find agreement on some of these matters before the end of the calendar year. With 25 Democratic candidates actively running for President, once the Presidential Primary season begins, the ability for Congress to reach agreement with the President will have to wait until after the November 2020 elections. Thus, any action that occurs needs to do begin by this summer at the very latest.

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.

#### Meetings:

April and May were particularly busy for Anchor Consulting on behalf of the Agency. We have routinely met with Ben Steinberger of Representative Katie Hill's office and helped the Agency prepare for meetings with California staff of the Congresswoman. We met with staff of both the House and Senate Appropriations Committee regarding our request for Volatile Organic Compounds funding, met with key staff of the Defense Department about the same, and discussed other issues such as PFAS and perchlorate with key Congressional staff.



We followed up with leadership of the Bureau of Reclamation regarding our funding for the emergency water storage initiative, held discussions with key organizations regarding the future of PFAS legislation in Congress, and met with staff of the Senate Armed Services Committee to discuss both PFAS and VOC issues. We met with staff from Senators Feinstein and Harris, spoke with Senator Harris directly about our agenda, and met with the Senate Commerce Committee about other environmental issues. Finally, we met with leadership of the Department of Transportation to discuss and be briefed about the progress and challenges of the infrastructure measure being proposed.

We also held several calls both collectively and individually with staff of the Agency to brief on the efforts we have underway. We wanted to make sure that staff understood where we are in the process, why we were taking the actions we were, and were supportive of those activities. In all, we counted over a dozen calls with Agency staff in the past two months that Anchor participated in.

### Fiscal Year 2020 Appropriations

On March 11, 2019, the President sent to Congress his proposed Fiscal Year 2020 (FY2020) Budget. While the press focused on issues within the budget like the proposed cuts to Special Olympics and others, it is important to remember that no President in that last 30 years has gotten their budget approved by Congress. In fact, over eight years of the Obama Presidency and with eight separate budgets introduced, President Obama never received more than 2 votes for his budget in Congress in a given year. As such, we have always recommended calm and skepticism when viewing the President's budget.

However, the introduction of the President's budget begins the FY2020 Appropriations cycle and Congress' drafting of 12 individual Appropriations Acts. During our calls with Agency, Anchor became aware of a court decree that requires the Department of Defense to pay for 33% of all future costs associated with the remediation of the former Whittaker Bermite site. While this may seem minor, the reality is that the Federal court decree made the \$750 billion Defense Appropriations Act a germane vehicle for our Volatile Organic Compound filter



project. We spent time briefing Representative Hill’s staff (Ben Steinberger and her District staff) on this connection. They both agreed and began working with us to develop a request for Federal funding.

On April 1, 2019, Representative Hill’s office made a request for “robust environmental funding within the Department of Defense” and referenced our \$7 million initiative as part of this request. We are also working with both Representative Hill’s office and the Department of Defense to identify the exact line item where the court decree is being funded through in order to include funding for our specific need. Based on our discussions with relevant parties and review of the legislation, our language appears to have been included in the proposed House Defense Appropriations Act.

This strategy change we believe will continue to pay dividends for the Agency in the future. We have moved from “fishing” in a pond of roughly \$7 billion for the Bureau of Reclamation and \$12 billion for the Army Corps of Engineers to a roughly \$750 billion ocean within the Defense measure. Our odds of success are much stronger here. As we move forward, we will continue to find ways to tie the Agency agenda back to Department of Defense where better funding options exist.

Representative Steny Hoyer, the Majority Leader of the House of Representatives, indicated that the House would complete consideration of the twelve individual Appropriations Acts before the end of June 2019. The strategy of the House Democratic Majority will be to combine ten individual appropriations bills equally into two “mini-bus” appropriations acts. These two “five appropriations measure bills” will be considered by the House during the week of June 10 and June 17 respectively. The bills are separated as such:

- “Mini-bus” Appropriations Act #1 (June 10 week consideration) – Defense, Labor/HHS/Education, Foreign Operations, Energy and Water (Army Corps of Engineers and Bureau of Reclamation), and Legislative; and
- “Mini-bus” Appropriations Act #2 (June 17 week consideration) – Interior (EPA), Military Construction, Agriculture, Transportation, Commerce/Justice.



The only two bills not included in these two measures are the Homeland Security Appropriations Act and the Financial Services Appropriations Act. Both are expected to be considered as stand-alone bills.

The Senate has taken a different approach. Normally, the Senate waits until July to move any measures they may consider, but Senator Mitch McConnell has indicated that without a budget agreement, the Senate does not want to pick an arbitrary figure for funding. However, according to many press reports, the Senate and the House along with the President are closing in on an agreement that would establish top line funding similar to the House version bills, lift the debt ceiling, and reduce the risk for a new round of sequestration.

Areas of specific interest for us include (text from the House Appropriations Committee):

#### Energy and Water Appropriations

The Energy and Water Development, and Related Agencies bill funds the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Department of the Interior programs, the Department of Energy, and other related agencies.

In total, the FY 2020 legislation includes \$46.4 billion in funding to spur energy innovation that will increase economic prosperity while working to mitigate and adapt to climate change, improve the nation's water infrastructure, and strengthen national security. This represents an increase of \$1.8 billion, or 4 percent, above the fiscal year 2019 enacted level. The bill includes \$23.3 billion for non-defense activities, an increase of \$1.1 billion above the fiscal year 2019 enacted level, and \$23.1 billion for defense spending, an increase of \$673 million above the fiscal year 2019 enacted level.

#### **Bill Summary:**

**Army Corps of Engineers** – The bill provides a total of \$7.36 billion, an increase of \$357 million above the fiscal year 2019 level and \$2.53 billion above the budget request.



- **Funding for Investigations** is \$135 million, an increase of \$10 million above the fiscal year 2019 level and \$58 million above the request.
- **Funding for Construction** is \$2.34 billion, an increase of \$154 million above the fiscal year 2019 level and \$1.17 billion above the request.
- **Funding for Operation and Maintenance** is \$3.92 billion, an increase of \$183.5 million above the fiscal year 2019 level and \$1.99 billion above the request.
- **Harbor Maintenance Trust Fund** projects receive \$1.697 billion, \$147 million above the fiscal year 2019 level, an increase of \$732 million above the request and \$100 million above target set by the Water Resources Reform and Development Act of 2014.
- The bill makes full use of the estimated receipts for the **Inland Waterways Trust Fund**.
- The bill provides for **six new study starts and six new construction projects**.

**Department of the Interior/Bureau of Reclamation** – The bill provides a total of \$1.65 billion for the Department, an increase of \$82.8 million above the fiscal year 2019 level and \$528 million above the President’s budget request.

- The bill provides \$1.63 billion for the **Bureau of Reclamation**, an increase of \$82.8 million above the fiscal year 2019 level and \$523 million above the request. Within Reclamation:
  - The bill provides \$400 million in additional funding for **water resources projects**, including those authorized in the Water Infrastructure Improvements for the Nation (WIIN) Act.
  - Within additional funding, \$121 million is provided for **rural water projects** above the budget request.
- **Environmental Management** – The bill provides \$7.175 billion, equal to the fiscal year 2019 level and an increase of \$706 million above the President’s budget request. This funding is used for nuclear waste cleanup at 16 sites across the country.
  - Non-Defense Environmental Cleanup – \$308 million, an increase of \$61 million above the request.
  - Uranium Enrichment Decontamination and Decommissioning – \$873 million, an increase of \$32 million above the fiscal year 2019 level and \$158 million above the budget request.
  - Defense Environmental Cleanup – \$5.994 billion, an increase of \$487 million above the request.





### Interior Appropriations

The Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies bill includes funding for programs within the Department of the Interior, the Environmental Protection Agency, and other related agencies, including the Indian Health Service.

In total, the FY 2020 bill includes \$37.28 billion, an increase of \$1.73 billion over the 2019 enacted level and \$7.24 billion over the President's 2020 request. There is also an additional \$2.25 billion of funding provided under the fire suppression cap adjustment.

Increases in funding will help protect and preserve public lands, build resilience to climate change, strength the environmental workforce, and ensure access to safe drinking water.

### **Bill Summary:**

**Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF)** - The bill provides \$523.9 million for LWCF, including \$244 million for the federal program and \$280 million for state programs. The total is \$85 million above the fiscal year 2019 enacted level and \$491 million above the President's budget request.

**Wildland Fire Management (WFM)** - The bill provides \$5.21 billion for WFM, which includes \$2.25 billion in cap adjusted fire suppression funding. The total funding is \$1.6 billion above the 2019 enacted level and \$49 million above the President's budget request.

**Department of the Interior (DOI)** – The bill provides a total of \$13.79 billion in discretionary appropriations for DOI – \$833 million above the 2019 enacted level and \$2.41 billion above the President's budget request. Of this amount, the bill includes:

- \$1.7 billion for **U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service**, \$74 million above the fiscal year 2019 enacted level and \$324 million above the President's budget request. Within this amount, the bill includes:
- \$289 million for **Ecological Services**, \$37 million above the fiscal year 2019 enacted level and \$49 million above the President's budget request.
- \$514 million for **National Wildlife Refuge System**, \$26 million above the fiscal year 2019 enacted level and \$5 million above the President's budget request.
- \$71 million for **State and Tribal Wildlife Grants**, \$6 million above the fiscal year 2019 enacted level and \$39 million above the President's budget request.



**Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)** – The bill provides a total of \$9.53 billion in for EPA – \$677 million above the 2019 enacted level and \$3.30 billion above the President’s budget request. Of this amount, the bill includes:

- \$3.43 billion for EPA’s core **science and environmental program work**, an increase of \$131 million above the 2019 enacted level and \$823 million above the President’s budget request. Within these amounts, the bill includes:
  - \$511 million for **compliance monitoring and enforcement activities**, a \$40 million increase above the 2019 enacted level and \$63 million above the President’s request.
  - \$18 million in additional funding for **scientific and regulatory work on per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS)**, needed to establish a drinking water standard and cleanup standards. This level of funding more than doubles current spending levels for this work.
- \$4.62 billion for **State and Tribal Assistance Grants**, a \$490 million increase above the 2019 enacted level and \$1.85 billion above the President’s budget request. Within this amount, the bill includes:
  - \$3.08 billion for **Clean Water and Drinking Water State Revolving Funds**, an increase of \$319 million above the 2019 enacted level and \$1.1 billion above the President’s budget request.
  - \$70 million for targeted grants for **drinking water contaminants** like lead, nitrates, or other health hazards.
  - \$105 million for **Brownfields cleanups**, a \$20.8 increase above the 2019 enacted level and \$43 million increase above the President’s budget request.
- \$1.21 billion for Superfund, an increase of \$55 million above the 2019 enacted level and \$169 million above the President’s request.
- \$10.2 million for Environmental Justice activities, a 47% increase above the 2019 enacted level nearly four-fold increase above the President’s budget request.

#### Water Resources Development Act:

On May 23, 2018, the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee unanimously approved the Water Resources Development Act (WRDA). On June 6, 2018, the House of Representatives passed H.R. 8, WRDA, by overwhelming majorities. On September 13, 2018, the House of Representatives unanimously approved with a few minor amendments S. 3021, America’s Water Infrastructure Act. The legislation essentially is the Senate version of the Water



Resources Development Act. On October 10, 2018, the United States Senate passed S. 3021 by a vote of 99-1. The President subsequently signed the legislation into law on October 23, 2018.

Over the past few months, the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee has routinely held hearings regarding “the cost of doing nothing” as it lays the groundwork for consideration of the 2020 Water Resources Development Act. We expect that the House will begin drafting their version of the legislation sometime this summer and into the fall with Committee consideration sometime in early 2020. The Committee – both under Democrat and Republican leadership have indicated a desire to move forward with a WRDA bill every two years.

#### PFAS:

PFAS continues to be a major topic of consideration in Congress. The House Interior Appropriations Act includes funding toward a Federal standard on the topic. The House Defense Authorization Act includes funding for remediation efforts and regulatory controls on the topic. We fully expect that numerous legislative vehicles will be considered in the coming months on this topic.

Anchor has been in close contact with the Agency on this topic and expressed a desire to get in front of this issue. With the closure of a well due to raised levels, we continue to suggest that the Agency identify funding needs on this topic sooner rather than later to ensure that we have the best possibility for Federal success.

#### Emergency Water Storage Project

As we mentioned during the last call, the recently passed Omnibus Appropriations Act included funding associated with drought relief and water storage efforts. Included in this funding was \$6



million associated with the Agency’s emergency water storage project. The funding now sits with the Office of Management and Budget for allocation to the appropriate Federal Agency. Anchor has worked closely with Steve Cole on this topic to ensure that the Agency would be able to access and spend the funding in a timely fashion and within the requirements set out by the Bureau of Reclamation. The expectation is that sometime over the summer, the Agency will announce this funding opportunity and then the Agency will “apply” for its portion of the funding. We do not expect final approval of this grant before the of September 2019. This will allow the Agency two additional Fiscal Years to allocate the funding for the project.

#### Other Issues:

- *CEMEX*. As you may have heard, the IBLA recently announced their ruling sustaining the decision by the BLM regarding the CEMEX project. Combine this decision with the legislative action by Representative Knight prohibiting future mining on the site when the current contract is complete, and the result appears to end the proposed mining operation. Anchor has worked closely with the City of Santa Clarita on this topic and is pleased to put this roughly 30-year exercise behind us.
- Representative Katie Hill raised over \$550,000 in the first quarter of the year for her re-election efforts. Former Representative Steve Knight has indicated that he is not currently considering a return bid for Congress. Mike Garcia recently announced that he would be a candidate for the 25<sup>th</sup> Congressional District as a Republican. The NRCC has indicated that California 25 remains a top 10 seat for them in 2020.
- With a newly elected Member of Congress, it is natural for Members of the Board to be approached about their opinions of her efforts, etc. We would kindly request that should individuals on the Board speak to the press about this or other matters related to the Federal government to please provide a “heads up” to Anchor. Furthermore, should any Members of the Board attend a meeting where they expect to be in contact with the Representative, we would kindly ask that you let Anchor know as soon as possible.

June 6, 2019

MEMORANDUM

TO: Steve Cole, Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency

FROM: Dennis K. Albiani, Anthony Molina, California Advocates, Inc.

SUBJECT: June Report

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As the month of June kicks off, we have passed the first major policy deadlines of the year in each respective house – the fiscal committee and the “house of origin” deadline. As of this week (June 3<sup>rd</sup>), committees have resumed which means bills have begun being heard in second house policy committees. Concurrently, this year’s budget is taking shape and must be passed by midnight on June 15<sup>th</sup>. Topic of importance in the budget to Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency (SCVWA) are Safe and Affordable Drinking Water” and the first disbursement of Proposition 68 (Parks and Water Bond) funds. Additionally, California Advocates is continuing to work with the SCVWA and key legislators to identify priority water projects to deliver funding. As both the legislative process, budget decisions, and other important issues arise, we will provide timely updates to the SCVWA.

## **Budget Update**

### **Safe and Affordable Drinking Water Update**

On Sunday, June 9<sup>th</sup> the Budget Conference Committee met and have a tentative budget agreement for Safe Drinking Water. The agreement as described by the conference committee as of the morning of June 10<sup>th</sup>, is:

- \$100 million Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund for Safe Drinking Water
- \$30 million General Fund for Safe Drinking Water
- \$3.4 million General Fund for SWRCB for administrative costs.

Trailer Bill - Includes 5 percent GGRF continuous appropriation beginning 2020-21. Cap of \$130 million Provide General Fund backstop to fill Safe Drinking Water Fund should the 5 percent of GGRF be lower than \$130 million beginning 2023-24 and sunsets 2030.  
Set up framework of Safe Drinking Water Program and Fund.

Below is a description of the existing agreements as they will be important as the actual language for the trailer bills is released later this week. There are still several moving parts and details to be memorialized.

Senate: In the Legislature, the Senate Budget Sub Committee 2 on Resources rejected the Governor’s proposal and instead proposed a continuous appropriation of \$150,000,000 from the General Fund to fund safe and affordable drinking water. The budget proposal also included a companion measure, SB

200 (Monning) which establishes the “safe and affordable drinking water fund” within the State Treasury. This proposal will move to the Budget Conference Committee for further discussion.

The Assembly Budget Sub Committee 3 on Resources voted to support the Governor’s \$20 million of emergency funding/administrative support and the set aside of \$4.9 million (BCP) for the future establishment of the safe and affordable drinking water program. However, the Sub Committee decided to defer on funding the safe and affordable drinking water to the legislative bill process. Their members have two policy bills on the topic – AB 134 (Bloom) and AB 217 (E. Garcia).

Additionally, SB 217 (E. Garcia) was amended to significantly increase the fees on agriculture to fund drinking water solutions caused by historical legal farming activities and allows those fees to be used by the Attorney General for litigation against farmers who are complying with state regulations. The bill also added an urgency clause which means the bill is no longer subject to the “House of Origin” deadline.

Below are all of the Safe and Affordable Drinking Water Proposals, including the Governor’s revised trailer bill language. Additionally, there are updates on each measure and SVWA position, if any.

**Governor Newsom’s May Revise Safe and Affordable Drinking Water**

[http://www.dof.ca.gov/Budget/Trailer\\_Bill\\_Language/documents/EnvironmentalJustice-SafeandAffordableDrinkingWaterMayRevision.pdf](http://www.dof.ca.gov/Budget/Trailer_Bill_Language/documents/EnvironmentalJustice-SafeandAffordableDrinkingWaterMayRevision.pdf)

The Governor’s proposed fix includes the following:

**Fee Breakdown**

1. A fertilizer tax of \$0.008 per dollar of sales.
2. A \$0.01355 deduction per cwt. from milk producers’ payments.
3. A tax to not exceed \$1,000 on Confined Animal Facilities (excluding dairies, but including bovine, poultry, swine and other livestock operations) per year.
4. A water tax of \$1.00 per month on residential public water system customers and a \$4.00, \$6.00 and \$10.00 per month tax on larger commercial water meter customers.

**Status: Budget Conference Committee**

**Position: None**

**Senate Budget Sub 2 Committee on Resources – Safe Drinking Water Proposal**

\$150,000,000 continuously appropriated, without regard to fiscal year, from the General Fund to Safe and Affordable Drinking Water Fund. This is a companion measure to SB 200 (Monning) Safe and Affordable Drinking Water Fund.

**Status: Budget Conference Committee**

**Position: Support Coalition**

**SB 200 (Monning) Safe and Affordable Drinking Water Fund.** This bill establishes the Safe and Affordable Drinking Water Fund to help water systems provide an adequate and affordable supply of safe drinking water in both the near and the long term. It requires the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) to adopt a fund implementation plan and requires expenditures of the fund to be consistent with the plan. It also requires SWRCB, in consultation with local health officers and others, to

make publicly available a map of aquifers that are used or likely to be used as a source of drinking water that are at high risk of containing contaminants. This is a companion measure to the Senate Budget Sub 2 Committee proposal.

**Status: Budget Conference Committee**

**Position: Support Coalition**

**SB 669 (Caballero) Water quality: Safe Drinking Water Fund.** This bill would create the Safe Drinking Water Trust (Trust) at the state Treasury. The Trust's purpose would be to provide a durable funding source to help community water systems in disadvantaged communities provide their customers with access to safe and reliable drinking water. The Trust would be funded with an infusion of General Fund dollars during a budget surplus year. The state would invest the Trust's principal, and the net income from the Trust would be transferred on an ongoing basis to a Safe Drinking Water Fund that would be administered by the State Water Resources Control Board.

**Status: This bill was held on the Senate Appropriations "suspense file" at the fiscal deadline.**

**Position: None**

**AB 134 (Bloom) Safe, Clean, Affordable, and Accessible Drinking Water.** This bill would provide the mechanics and oversight, to AB 217 (E. Garcia). Both this bill and AB 217 are contingent upon each other passage in order to go into law. This bill has an urgency clause which is not subject to policy deadlines. The bill is a 2/3 vote.

**Status: This bill is on the Assembly Floor.**

**Position: None**

**AB 217 (E. Garcia) Safe Drinking Water for All Act.** This bill would establish statewide safe and affordable drinking water system charge in the amount of \$0.50 per service connection per month on all retail water systems. The bill would authorize the State Water Resources Control Board to provide money to the Attorney General for the purpose of litigation brought against parties responsible for contamination of drinking water supplies to recover the costs of remediation, replacement drinking water supplies, or other board activities that restore safe drinking water to communities and would require all funds recovered through litigation to be deposited into the fund. The bill also includes a tax on and a tax on fertilizer sales, dairies and non-dairy confined animal facilities. Recent amendments add an urgency clause to the bill.

#### **Fee Breakdown**

1. A fertilizer tax of \$0.01 per dollar of sales.
2. A \$0.020325 deduction per cwt. from milk producers' payments.
3. A tax to not exceed \$1,000 on the first Confined Animal Facilities (excluding dairies, but including bovine, poultry, swine and other livestock operations) per year. A tax of \$750 per each additional facility thereafter owned by the same producer, not to exceed \$12,000.
4. A statewide safe and affordable drinking water system charge in the amount of \$0.50 per service connection per month on all retail water systems.

Status: This bill is on the Assembly Floor

Position: Oppose Unless Amended Coalition

## **Proposition 68 Update**

Below is an update on the Governor's proposed spending of Proposition 68 Funds within this year's budget:

**Department of Parks and Recreation.** The Governor's 2019-20 proposed Budget includes additional funding of \$45.6 million to address the California Department of Parks and Recreation's deferred maintenance backlog: \$34 million from the General Fund, and \$11.6 million from Proposition 68 funds.

**State Water Resources Control Board.** The Governor's 2019-20 proposed Budget includes an additional \$193.4 million to the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) to fund safe drinking water for disadvantaged communities. This includes \$168.5 million from Proposition 68 funds to provide technical assistance, grants, and loans to public water systems in disadvantaged communities; \$10 million out of the General Fund to provide emergency water supplies; another \$10 million from the General Fund for the SWRCB to contract for administrative services in communities that are not achieving compliance with current drinking water standards; and, \$4.9 million from the General Fund to the SWRCB and California Department of Food and Agriculture to take initial steps toward implementing a "Safe and Affordable Drinking Water Fund."

## **Key Legislation**

**SB 387 (Wilk) SCVWA Governance Clean Up.** This bill is a clean up to SB 634 (Wilk) and would allow the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency Board, upon vacancy of a board seat, to eliminate the vacant Board of Director position that will be consolidated at the next election, through a vote of the board. The bill provides specific direction if seats are consolidated prior to the election, on having a lot to determine which seats receive 2- and 4-year terms. We have included an additional amendment suggested by legislative counsel to select a date for the lottery. The bill passed the Senate with bipartisan support and is now in the Assembly.

**Status: The bill has been referred to the Assembly Local Government Committee.**

**Position: Sponsor**

**SB 204 (Dodd) State Water Project: contracts.** This bill revises the notification provisions regarding pending State Water Project (SWP) contract negotiations and contract amendments, and explicitly requires the California Water Commission to review and report on the progress of the design, construction, and operation of any new Delta conveyance facility as a part of its annual review of the SWP.

**Status: This bill is in the Assembly pending referral to policy committee.**

**Position: Oppose Coalition**

**AB 402 (Quirk) State Water Resources Control Board: local primacy delegation: funding stabilization program.** This bill would authorize the State Water Resources Control Board to assess fees on all public water systems in order to subsidize regulatory oversight costs of local primacy agencies (LPAs).

**Status: This bill is in the Senate Environmental Quality Committee and will be heard June 19<sup>th</sup>.**

**Position: Oppose Unless Amended Coalition.**



## Water Funding Project

### **Emergency Storage Plan: Magic Mountain Reservoir**

SCVWA has identified a priority water project that would assist in providing emergency funding for storage during a regional emergency and water outage. The Emergency Storage Plan provides for seven days of water distribution in the event of an outage and only accounts for non-interruptible demand, which excludes irrigation and other non-essential water uses. The cost to construct the new 5.7 MG reservoir, structures, piping and valving, earthwork, electrical, and site work is approximately \$13,081,000.

California Advocates next steps are to educate key legislators and staff in Sacramento. This will also take collaborative team effort to also educate local and federal elected officials. Education and importance of emergency storage plan project is key to get all stakeholders on board. Once all parties have agreed to move forward, we will coordinate the SCVWA leadership and strategize on the next steps.

## Governor Appointments

**Nancy Vogel, 51, of Sacramento, has been appointed director of the Governor's Water Portfolio Program at the California Natural Resources Agency.** Vogel has been director of communications at the Resources Legacy Fund since 2017. She was deputy secretary for communications at the California Natural Resources Agency from 2015 to 2017 and assistant director for communications at the Department of Water Resources from 2012 to 2015. Vogel was a principal consultant for the Senate Office of Oversight and Outcomes from 2008 to 2012.

**Angela Barranco, 39, of Los Angeles, has been appointed undersecretary of the California Natural Resources Agency.** Barranco has been chief executive officer for River LA since 2018. She was senior vice president for Better World Group Inc. from 2017 to 2018 and deputy director of the Climate Action Campaign from 2016 to 2017. Barranco was associate director of public engagement for climate and environment for the White House Council on Environmental Quality from 2014 to 2016. She was deputy chief of staff at the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development from 2013 to 2014. Barranco was national western director for Obama for America from 2011 to 2012 and campaign manager for Carnahan in Congress from 2010 to 2011.

**Thomas Gibson, 51, of Sacramento, has been appointed deputy secretary and special counsel for water at the California Natural Resources Agency, where he has been undersecretary since 2016 and served as general counsel from 2014 to 2016.** Gibson was general counsel at the California Department of Fish and Wildlife from 2008 to 2014. He was a partner at Best, Best, & Krieger from 2002 to 2008. Gibson was an associate at Hyman, Phelps & McNamara from 1999 to 2002 and at Kronick, Moskovitz, Tiedemann & Girard from 1997 to 1999.

## Regulatory

### **Governor Newsom Directs State Agencies to Prepare Water Resilience Portfolio for California**

As climate change continues to threaten the state's water infrastructure and reliability, Governor Newsom signed an executive order directing the secretaries of the California Natural Resources Agency,

California Environmental Protection Agency and the California Department of Food and Agriculture to identify and assess a suite of complementary actions to ensure safe and resilient water supplies, flood protection and healthy waterways for the state's communities, economy and environment. Furthermore, the order seeks to broaden California's approach on water as the state faces a range of existing challenges, including unsafe drinking water, major flood risks that threaten public safety, severely depleted groundwater aquifers, agricultural communities coping with uncertain water supplies and native fish populations threatened with extinction. The Governor's goal is to develop a comprehensive strategy to build a climate-resilient water system.

Below are links to the Governor's Executive Order, a fact sheet to the order, and the new website which will provide periodic updates.

- Governor Newsom's Executive Order: <https://www.gov.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2019/04/4.29.19-EO-N-10-19-Attested.pdf>
- Fact Sheet: <http://resources.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2019/04/Fact-Sheet-on-Water-Resilience-Portfolio-4-29-19.pdf>
- CA Water Resiliency Portfolio Website: <http://resources.ca.gov/initiatives/water-resilience/>

### **Governor Newsom Officially Puts End to the Twin Tunnels**

The Department of Water Resources (DWR) took formal steps to withdraw proposed permits for the "California Water Fix" project and began a renewed environmental review and planning process for a smaller, single tunnel project that will protect a critical source of water supplies for California.

The actions implement Governor Gavin Newsom's direction earlier this year to modernize the state's water delivery infrastructure by pursuing a smaller, single tunnel project through the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta. The project is needed to protect water supplies from sea-level rise and saltwater intrusion into the Delta, as well as earthquake risk. It will be designed to protect water supply reliability while limiting impacts on local Delta communities and fish.

This move by the Governor's backs up his recent executive order directing state agencies to develop a comprehensive statewide strategy to build a climate-resilient water system. Please see the link below to the DWR Press Release:

DWR Press Release: <https://water.ca.gov/News/News-Releases/2019/May/State-Withdraws-WaterFix-Approvals>

## **Important Dates and Deadlines**

### **June Deadlines:**

- June 15<sup>th</sup>, Budget Bill must be passed by midnight.

### **July Deadlines:**

- July 4<sup>th</sup>, Independence Day. (Observed Holiday)

- July 10<sup>th</sup>, Last day for policy committees to hear and report “fiscal bills” to fiscal committees.
- July 12<sup>th</sup>, Last day for policy committees to meet and report bills. Summer Recess begins on adjournment, provided Budget Bill has been passed.

**August Deadlines:**

- August 12<sup>th</sup>, Legislature reconvenes from Summer Recess.
- August 30<sup>th</sup>, Last day for fiscal committees to meet and report bills.

**September Deadlines:**

- September 2<sup>nd</sup>, Labor Day. (Observed Holiday)
- September 3<sup>rd</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup>, Floor session only. No committee may meet for any purpose, except Rules Committee.
- September 6<sup>th</sup>, Last day to amend on floor.
- September 13<sup>th</sup>, Last day for any bill to be passed. Interim Recess begins upon adjournment.

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MEMORANDUM

TO: STEVE COLE, SANTA CLARITA VALLEY WATER AGENCY

FROM: HUNT BRALY

RE: APRIL & MAY 2019 Billing Report

DATE: 6-10-19

I have provided a synopsis of activities performed on behalf of the Agency in April and May.

\*Monitored City Council Meetings on April 9<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> and May 14 and 28<sup>th</sup>.

\*Attended Public Outreach and Legislation Committee Meeting Agenda on April 18 and Reviewed Agenda, but did not attend, for May 16.

\*Assisted in organizing and preparation of Agenda for SCV Legislative Staff Briefing on May 17. Attended and participate in Briefing.

\*Worked with staff regarding potential clean up legislation on Agency Board composition. Advised elected officials.

\*Worked with staff and Dennis Albiani regarding potential funding opportunities from Sacramento

\*Continued to participate in efforts with Harry Henderson regarding potential federal legislation and funding opportunities. Obtained Community Support letters for Congresswoman Hill funding proposal.

\*Continued to monitor and review activities of the Santa Clarita Valley Groundwater Sustainability Agency.


\*Continued to monitor and review Agency Board Agendas

\*Reviewed daily emails regarding articles of interest from Agency.

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## COMMITTEE MEMORANDUM

**DATE:** June 13, 2019  
**TO:** Public Outreach and Legislation Committee  
**FROM:** Steve Cole  
Assistant General Manager   
**SUBJECT:** Federal Legislative Advocacy Selection

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### SUMMARY

Following issuance of a Request for Proposals, and subsequent interviews of the five respondents, staff seeks final direction on the selection of a federal legislative advocacy firm.

### DISCUSSION

In recent months, the Committee adopted the 2019 Legislative Platform and legislative advocacy goals. These items were used to develop proposed scopes of work for our advocacy consultants at the local, state and federal levels. An RFP for federal advocacy services was issued April 2, 2019. Five firms responded, and all were interviewed by the Committee on May 16, 2019.

Committee discussion resulted in consensus to follow up with two firms – Van Scoyoc Associates (VSA), and ENS Resources. A panel, including Matt Stone, Steve Cole and Kathie Martin interviewed these two firms via conference call, asking additional questions about experience in building or participating in coalitions, experience in transitioning into a position already held by another firm, and experience with federal involvement in state issues. Staff also followed up with references provided by each firm.

In all cases, the references provided positive recommendations. Strengths mentioned for both firms included responsiveness, communication and strategic planning. It is staff opinion that both firms would approach the job in a similar fashion, and either firm could be successful in the role. Committee consensus directed staff to explore the possibilities of a smooth transition process and not leave any effort or project in limbo, if a change in representation is made.

There are three options to consider:

1. Continue with Anchor Consulting as our Federal advocate.
2. Transition to a new firm, with dual representation through December 31, 2019, or another date as determined by the Committee.
3. Transition to a new firm, with little or no overlap in terms. Both finalists expressed confidence in their ability to assume any work now under way.

## **FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS**

The current cost for Anchor Consulting is \$9,000/month. Final negotiation has not occurred with either of the two finalists, but staff is confident the cost would be the same or very similar.

Should the decision be made to run concurrent contracts during a transition period, the additional cost would be equal to the new contract. Using December 31, 2019 as an example and assuming a contract start date of August 2019 and a \$9,000 fee, this would add approximately \$36,000 to the federal advocacy expenditures for Fiscal Year 2019/20.

Federal advocacy is considered in the current fiscal year budget, as well as the recently adopted biennial budget, at \$108,000. The total advocacy budget was increased from \$270,000 to \$300,000, so this example would add \$6,000 more to that.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

That the Public Outreach and Legislation Committee recommend to the Board of Directors, approval of a Federal Legislative Advocacy contract through the selection of one of the options identified above.



## Public Outreach Matrix of Selected Activities

### MAY/JUNE 2019

Website Statistics	MAY	
Total users	13,440	Users who have initiated at least one session during the date range
Total Page Views	35,606	Total number of pages viewed. Repeated views of a single page are counted.
Desktop	61%	
Mobile	32%	
Tablet	7%	
Most Popular Content		
Home page	13,165	
Customer Care	3,566	Customer portals
Save Water & Money	1,624	Conservation program home page
Your Agency	710	Overview and "Locate Your Division"
Residential	876	Conservation
Connect	682	Contact Us
Open House	410	Special event
Careers	408	Job opportunities
Governance	417	Board and committee agendas
Start/Stop Service	361	
Bid Opportunities		(not in top 10 this month)
Gardening Classes		(not in top 10 this month)
Digital Outreach		
Social Media	JUNE	Notable activity
Facebook	383 likes 410 follows	
Instagram	988	
Twitter	875	@scv_water
Constant Contact	JUNE	
Water Currents eNewsletter	19,993	June open: 34% (23.6% industry standard)
Garden Classes/ Conservation eNewsletter	1,634	June open: 26% (9% click through)
Education	May	Calendar YTD
Students	2,072	6,132
Garden Classes – Saturdays	18	173
Garden Classes – evenings	32	150

\* Data not available yet

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## LEGISLATION TRACKING

Letters of Support/Opposition

**ITEM NO.**  
**5.2**

Date	Bill/Initiative	Title	Stand	Notes	Leg. Policy*	Status
2/8/2019	Rule 1470	Drought, Water, Parks, Climate, Coastal Protection and Outdoor Access for All Act (June 2018)	Proposed Amendment	Requirements for Stationary Diesel-Fueled Internal Combustion and other compression ignition engines	10.0	Signed on to letter from SCWC to SCAQMD 2/8/19
2/27/2019	SB 669 (Caballero)	Safe Drinking Water Trust	Support	To help community water systems in disadvantaged communities provide access to safe drinking water; alternative to funding through a water tax	9.0	Placed on suspense file 5/13/19
3/1/2019 4/29/2019	SB 204 (Dodd)	Delta Conveyance	Oppose (previously oppose unless amended)	Would require DWR to provide at least 10 days notice to Joint Leg. Budget Committee (and others) before holding public sessions to negotiate any potential amendments of certain long-term water supply contracts/transfers. Bill would significantly delay actions to find a conveyance solution in the Delta, and to modify SWP contracts.	2.0, 8.0	6/13/19: With Asm Water/Parks/Wildlife committee. Hearing 7/2/19
3/19/2019	AB 533 (Holden)	Income Tax Exemption for Water Rebates	Support	Letter expressing our support, which would exempt incentive rebates from being considered taxable income for the recipient	5, 9	Passed Asm Rev and Tax; re-referred to Comm on Appropriations 4/22/19
4/2/2019	AB 1194 (Frazier)	Delta Stewardship Council	Oppose	Seeks to increase DSC membership to 13, with majority in Delta (a re-do of sorts of AB 1876 last year)	2.0	Signed on to letter from MWD to Assembly Member Jim Frazier 4/2/19
4/22/2019	SB 559 (Hurtado)	Subsidence repair	Support/ Amend	Seeks to add support to the California Aqueduct in this bill which seeks funding for the Friant Kern Canal.	2.0	Signed on to letter with SWC, Met, others. With Asm Water, Parks, & Wildlife committee. Hearing 7/2/19

Date	Bill/Initiative	Title	Stand	Notes	Leg. Policy*	Status
5/1/2019	AB 217 (E. Garcia)	Safe Drinking Water for All Act	Oppose	Proposes a "fee" based on the public water system's number of connections; to provide a source of funding to secure access to safe drinking water, while ensuring the longterm sustainability of drinking water systems. Imposes several fees on agricultural activities and creates a trust fund using investments from the General Fund that together would provide the source of revenue to the fund.	9.0	Signed on to coalition letter in opposition.
5/8/2019	SB 1 (Atkins, Stern & Portantino)	Ca. Environmental, Public Health & Workers Defense Act of 2019	Oppose unless amended	Many clauses apply, but in particular could create a situation where CVP and SWP would be operating under two different sets of permitting regimes, and would make implementation of future voluntary settlement agreements impossible	2.0	Signed on to coalition "letter of concern". Passed through Senate. Scheduled for Assm hearing 6/18/19

\* Reference to applicable section of Legislative Policy Guidelines

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Represents changes since last distribution.



## SPONSORSHIP TRACKING FY 2018-19

**ITEM NO.**  
**5.3**

Agency Name	Event	Event Date	Event Location	Sponsorship	Amount
Urban Water Institute	25th Annual Water Conference	Aug 22-24, 18	Hilton San Diego Resort & Spa	Marketing Sponsor: Logo on website, agenda, on presentation screens and in registration area.	1,500.00
AWA - Association of Water Agencies of Ventura County	Member/Elected Officials Reception	Sept 20, 2018	Ronald Reagan Presidential Library	Senatorial: acknowledgement on invitation & program, Agency's name on signage, Agency's introduction at event; agency reps attend free	1,000.00
Southern Ca. Water Coalition	Annual Advisory Membership / includes Recognition at Annual Dinner & Awards	Oct 25, 2018	Hilton Long Beach	Upgraded from Basic Annual Membership of \$1000.00 to Advisory Annual Membership	2,500.00
Santa Clarita Environmental Education Consortium (SCEEC)	Green STEM	Nov 17, 18	College of the Canyon	Previously sponsored by the Family of Water, we are continuing the participation as Presenting Sponsorship. The event provides high school and college students with exposure to STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math) concepts, but with sustainability as a key focus. The Water Technology program at COC is one of the featured programs.	5,000.00
ACWA	Fall 2018 Conference	Nov 27-30, 18	Manchester Grand Hyatt, San Diego	Wednesday Opening Breakfast (includes 1 meal ticket); sponsor ribbon for badges; acknowledgement in ACWA News, website, conference programs, screens at meals, mobile app.	2,500.00
CVWD - Cucamonga Valley Water District	ACWA Women in Water	Nov 28, 2018	Manchester Grand Hyatt, San Diego	Empowerment: name & logo included on invitations & materials promoting the reception, as well as displayed on signage throughout the reception room	500.00
Urban Water Institute	UWI Spring Water Conference	Feb 29, 2019	Hilton Palm Springs	Continental Breakfast	1,500.00
Valley Industry Association (VIA)	2019 Leadership Program	Jan - Jun 2019	Multiple, SCV	Diamond Sponsor: Two registrations (\$518 value), Logo on all print material, Recognition on VIA.org, 2 minute presentation at Leadership Luncheon, Sponsor Award at Leadership Luncheon	1,000.00
Ca. Water Policy	The New Shape of Water CA Water Policy 28	April 4-5, 19	San Diego	Sponsor III: Logo included on Ca. Water Policy Conference Website, Promoted on all print & electronic media, 3 conference registrations	1,000.00
Maven's Notebook	Public website providing in-depth & unbiased coverage of critical statewide water policy & science issues as they progress through key agency meetings, public meetings, legislative hearings			Gold Sponsors: organizations receive a one-year subscription to Maven's Weekly Water Blast; one-year to California Water Library; recognized with large logo linked to organization's website.	5,000.00





## 2019 Public Outreach Events

**ITEM NO.**  
**5.4**

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>			
1/10	Landscape class (evening)	Rio Vista	Planning a Landscape Project and Budget
1/12	Landscape class	Rio Vista	Proper Pruning
<b>February</b>			
2/7	Landscape class (evening)	Rio Vista	Designing a Sustainable Landscape
2/9	Landscape class	Rio Vista	Waterwise Vegetable Gardening
2/24	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>			
3/7	Landscape class (evening)	Rio Vista	Top 30 Plants for the SCV
3/9	Landscape class	Rio Vista	Planning Your Landscape Project – Design to Construction
3/16	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>			
4/4	Landscape class (evening)	Rio Vista	Irrigating a Sustainable Landscape
4/6	Landscape class	Rio Vista	Drip Irrigation Basics
4/13-14	Cowboy Poetry Festival	Hart Park	City event - <a href="http://cowboyleftival.org/">http://cowboyleftival.org/</a>
4/27-28	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>			
5/4	Open House	Central Park	Annual Agency Open House to celebrate California Water Awareness Month
5/5	Taste of Town	Mann Bio. Park	Child and Family Center Fundraiser <a href="http://childfamilycenter.org/events/">http://childfamilycenter.org/events/</a>
5/11	Placerita Nature Center Open House	Nature Center	<a href="http://www.placerita.org/event-calendar/">http://www.placerita.org/event-calendar/</a>
5/16	Landscape class (evening)	Rio Vista	Caring for the Top 30 Plants for the SCV
5/18	Landscape class	Rio Vista	Landscaping with Perennials

<b>June</b>			
6/8	Dragon Boat Festival	Castaic Lake	
6/13	Landscape class (evening)	Rio Vista	Maintaining a Sustainable Landscape
6/14	Jazz and Blues	Town Center Drive	valenciajazzandblues.com
6/15	Landscape class	Rio Vista	Shrubs and Native Plants
6/15	Castaic Lake Fitness Challenge	Castaic Lake	
6/15	Rotary Car Show	So Cal Innovation Park	Rotary's 2 <sup>nd</sup> Annual People's Choice Car Show – fundraiser for Bridge to Home and Family Promise
<b>July</b>			
7/11	Landscape class (evening)	Rio Vista	Planning a Landscape Project and Budget
7/20	Landscape class	Rio Vista	The Basics of a Sustainable Landscaping
7/26	Jazz & Blues Concerts	Town Center Drive	valenciajazzandblues.com
<b>August</b>			
8/8	Landscape class (evening)	Rio Vista	Designing a Sustainable Landscape
8/10	Landscape class	Rio Vista	Proper Turf Care and Turf Substitutes
<b>September</b>			
9/19	Landscape class (evening)	Rio Vista	Top 30 Plants for the SCV
9/21	Landscape class	Rio Vista	Controlling Weeds, Pests and Diseases
9/21	River Rally	Newhall Community Center	Clean up of the Santa Clara River <a href="http://greensantaclarita.com/calendar/river-rally/">http://greensantaclarita.com/calendar/river-rally/</a>
9/21	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
9/28	CAST for Kids	Pyramid Lake	Kids with disabilities, ages 6-17, experience the sport of fishing. <a href="http://www.castforkids.org">www.castforkids.org</a>
TBD	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>
TBD	Main Street Chalk Art Festival	Newhall	<a href="http://www.otna.org">www.otna.org</a>
<b>October</b>			
10/5	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>
10/5	Touch a Truck	Central Park	Proceeds support the Santa Clarita Senior Center. <a href="http://myscvcoa.org/touch-a-truck/">http://myscvcoa.org/touch-a-truck/</a>
10/5-6	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	Kids Expo	Golden Valley HS	Child and Family Center benefit. <a href="http://childfamilycenter.org/events/">http://childfamilycenter.org/events/</a>

Purple = Events

Green = SCV Gardening Classes

Blue = Speakers' Bureau 3d



10/12	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>
10/17	Landscape class (evening)	Rio Vista	Irrigating a Sustainable Landscape
10/19	Landscape class	Rio Vista	Trees for the SCV
10/27	Haunted Jailhouse	Sheriff Station	Boys & Girls Club fundraiser
TBD	American Legion Car Show		
<b>November</b>			
11/14	Landscape class (evening)	Rio Vista	Caring for the Top 30 Plants for the SCV
11/16	Landscape class	Rio Vista	Managing Soils and Fertilizers in the SCV
<b>December</b>			
12/12	Landscape class (evening)	Rio Vista	Maintaining a Sustainable Landscape
12/16	Landscape class	Rio Vista	Lawn Removal ... The Basics
TBD	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>

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**PUBLIC OUTREACH AND LEGISLATION COMMITTEE  
AGENDA PLANNING CALENDAR 2019**

**ITEM NO.  
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**January 17, 2019 Committee**

1. Legislative Consultant Reports
2. Discussion of Legislative Advocacy Request for Proposals
3. Consideration of Sponsorship for Maven's Notebook
4. Informational: Monthly Outreach Matrix
5. Informational: Legislative Tracking
6. Informational: Sponsorship Tracking FY 2018/19
7. Informational: Public Outreach Event Calendar 2019
8. Informational: Committee Planning Calendar 2019

**February 5, 2019 Board Meeting**

**February 19, 2019 Board Meeting - CANCELLED**

**February 21, 2019 Committee**

1. Legislative Consultant Reports
2. Discussion of Legislative Advocacy Request for Proposals
3. Recommend Approval of a Media Policy
4. Discussion of Agency's Role in Stewardship of Santa Clara River
5. Other Staff Activity: Blue Ribbon Committee
6. Informational: Monthly Outreach Matrix
7. Informational: Legislative Tracking
8. Informational: Sponsorship Tracking FY 2018/19
9. Informational: Public Outreach Event Calendar 2019
10. Informational: Committee Planning Calendar 2019

**March 5, 2019 Board Meeting**

**March 19, 2019 Board Meeting - CANCELLED**

**March 21, 2019 Committee**

1. Legislative Consultant Reports
2. Discussion of Public Outreach/Legislative FY 2019/20
3. Informational: Monthly Outreach Matrix
4. Informational: Legislative Tracking
5. Informational: Sponsorship Tracking FY 2018/19
6. Informational: Public Outreach Event Calendar 2019
7. Informational: Committee Planning Calendar 2019

**April 2, 2019 Board Meeting**

1. Recommend Approval of Agency Media Policy
2. Resolution to Adopt Santa Clara River Stewardship

**April 18, 2019 Committee**

1. Legislative Consultant Reports
2. Presentation: 2019 Customer Satisfaction and Awareness Survey
3. Informational: Monthly Outreach Matrix
4. Informational: Legislative Tracking
5. Informational: Sponsorship Tracking FY 2018/19
6. Informational: Public Outreach Event Calendar 2019
7. Informational: Committee Planning Calendar 2019



**PUBLIC OUTREACH AND LEGISLATION COMMITTEE  
AGENDA PLANNING CALENDAR 2019**

**May 16, 2019 Committee**

1. Interviews of Federal Legislative Advocate Firms

**June 4, 2019 Board Meeting**

1. Presentation 2019 Customer Satisfaction and Awareness Survey

**June 20, 2019 Committee**

1. Legislative Consultant Reports
2. Discussion: Federal Legislative Advocacy Selection
3. Discussion: Blue Ribbon Committee
4. Public Information Officer Activities:
  - Monthly Outreach Matrix
  - Legislative Tracking
  - Sponsorship Tracking FY 2019/20
  - Public Outreach Event Calendar 2019
  - Committee Planning Calendar 2019

**July 16, 2019 Board Meeting**

1. Federal Legislative Advocacy Selection

**July 18, 2019 Committee**

1. Legislative Consultant Reports
2. Public Information Officer Activities:
  - Monthly Outreach Matrix
  - Legislative Tracking
  - Sponsorship Tracking FY 2019/20
  - Public Outreach Event Calendar 2019
  - Committee Planning Calendar 2019

**August 22, 2019 Committee**

1. Legislative Consultant Reports
2. Public Information Officer Activities:
  - Monthly Outreach Matrix
  - Legislative Tracking
  - Sponsorship Tracking FY 2019/20
  - Public Outreach Event Calendar 2019
  - Committee Planning Calendar 2019

**September 19, 2019 Committee**

1. Legislative Consultant Reports
2. Public Information Officer Activities:
  - Monthly Outreach Matrix
  - Legislative Tracking
  - Sponsorship Tracking FY 2019/20
  - Public Outreach Event Calendar 2019
  - Committee Planning Calendar 2019



**PUBLIC OUTREACH AND LEGISLATION COMMITTEE  
AGENDA PLANNING CALENDAR 2019**

**October 17, 2019 Committee**

1. Legislative Consultant Reports
2. Public Information Officer Activities:
  - Monthly Outreach Matrix
  - Legislative Tracking
  - Sponsorship Tracking FY 2019/20
  - Public Outreach Event Calendar 2019
  - Committee Planning Calendar 2019

**November 21, 2019 Committee**

1. Legislative Consultant Reports
2. Public Information Officer Activities:
  - Monthly Outreach Matrix
  - Legislative Tracking
  - Sponsorship Tracking FY 2019/20
  - Public Outreach Event Calendar 2019
  - Committee Planning Calendar 2019/20

**December 19, 2019 Committee**

1. Legislative Consultant Reports
2. Public Information Officer Activities:
  - Monthly Outreach Matrix
  - Legislative Tracking
  - Sponsorship Tracking FY 2019/20
  - Public Outreach Event Calendar 2019
  - Committee Planning Calendar 2019/20