



## NOTICE AND CALL OF SPECIAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that I, Jacque McMillan, Chair of the Public Outreach and Legislative Committee, have called a SPECIAL MEETING of the Agency's Public Outreach and Legislative Committee.

Said SPECIAL MEETING of the Committee to be held on:

**Thursday, September 13, 2018 at 5:30 PM**

Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency  
held at  
Santa Clarita Water Division  
26521 Summit Circle, Santa Clarita, CA 91350  
Training Room

Enclosed with and as part of this Notice and Call is an Agenda for the meeting.

Signed:   
Jacque McMillan, Chair

Date: 8/16/18

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**Date:** September 6, 2018

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

**From:** Steve Cole, Assistant General Manager *SC*

A special meeting of the **Public Outreach and Legislative Committee** is scheduled to meet on **Thursday, September 13, 2018 at 5:30 PM** at **Santa Clarita Water Division** located at 26521 Summit Circle, Santa Clarita, CA. 91350 in the Training Room.

### SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA

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Posted on September 6, 2018.

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# Memorandum

**To:** Matt Stone, Steve Cole  
**CC:** Hunt Braly  
**From:** Harry Henderson  
**Date:** 9/6/2018  
**Re:** July 2018 Federal Legislative Brief Update

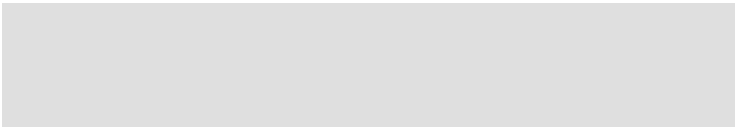
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Per Steve Cole's direction, Anchor is providing you with a brief update of activities in Washington.

As Congress returns from the August recess, it will be in an all-out sprint to complete certain must-pass legislative items before leaving again for the mid-term elections. The most pressing items include the year-end Appropriations bills, the Water Resources Development Act, and the FAA Reauthorization.

Furthermore, the United States Senate will begin the process of reviewing the President's nomination of Justice Kavanaugh for the vacancy on the United States Supreme Court. In total, Congress will only have about 11 days to accomplish this task. To put it mildly, that is a lot of work with not a lot of time to do it. With the recent death of Senator John McCain, the Senate will have an even tighter margin of error to complete the agenda before them.

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:

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. While numerous Senators have called for the passage of the legislation, the Senate has yet to take up consideration of the bill. The goal is to have the legislation approved sometime in September and then have the final measure approved after the mid-term elections.

Six years ago, Chairman Shuster indicated a goal to have reauthorization of WRDA every two years – essentially creating a regular order on the legislation. For each of the past two Congresses, this has been the norm. With House passage of the 2018 WRDA, the Chairman has indeed restored regular order to this process. 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.
- The House passed legislation is generally considered to be the broad first brushes associated with this subject. It is expected that during the Conference Committee, the measure will be far more specific than the one that passed the House of Representatives.
- The only real “controversy” in the bill was to move the Army Corps of Engineers from the Department of Defense.



### FY2019 Appropriations:

For the past decade, Congress has routinely failed to pass individual Appropriations Acts before the end of Fiscal Year. Year after year, Congress has needed to approve a stop-gap funding bill (called a Continuing Resolution or “CR”) to provide the government with the temporary funding needed for operations. Last year, Congress only approved one individual Appropriations Act prior to the end of the fiscal year calendar. That was the first time in nearly six years that Congress achieved that milestone.

Generally, the United States Senate has been the obstacle in this process. The House of Representatives has routinely approved nearly all individual Appropriations Acts and this year is no different. In total, the House has approved 10 of the 12 legislative measures required to fund the Federal government and is scheduled to consider the last two in early September.

This year has been different. The Senate came to a détente between the two parties about riders on individual funding measures. With this agreement to remove all controversial items from the legislation, the Senate has approved eight individual bills (Energy and Water, Legislative, and Mil-Con/VA mini-bus; the Defense and Labor-HHS Appropriations mini-bus; and the Interior, Financial Services, Transportation/HUD mini-bus). The House and Senate have approved a Conference Committee to meet and work out differences on the Energy and Water measures. Once Congress returns, it is strongly expected that the House and Senate will appoint conferees for the Defense/Labor HHS mini-bus and the Interior/Finance/Transportation mini-bus. Both sides are optimistic that at a minimum three to five bills can be approved prior to the end of the current fiscal year.

However, at a minimum, Congress will need to approve a smaller continuing resolution funding the government likely through the end of December. Yet, it should be noted that this is a major step forward from where this process was just 12 months earlier. While optimism exists, obstacles do remain. The President has indicated that he wants to have funding included in the Appropriations process for his border security wall. He has also indicated that he would be willing to shut-down the government if this is not considered. Whether he holds to that position is unclear, the President remains the unknown factor in this process.



On July 19, 2018, the House approved the Interior Appropriations Act as part of a “mini-bus” appropriations bill with two additional individual funding measures. The Interior portion contained a total of \$35.3 billion funding programs that “protect and make the best use of domestic natural resources”. Among other things, the legislation funded programs at the Environmental Protection Agency, environmental infrastructure programs, and safe drinking water systems.

Specifically, the legislation included:

- \$3.9 billion for the wildland firefighting and prevention programs;
- \$7.958 billion for the EPA, \$100 million below the current FY2018 levels;
- \$2.6 billion for the Clean Water and Drinking Water State Revolving Loan fund;
- \$40 million increase for Superfund site remediation efforts;
- \$75 million for WIFIA programs leveraging more than \$8 billion in water infrastructure projects;
- A full repeal of the Waters of the United States Rule;
- \$1.6 billion for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service; and
- \$360 million for the Land and Water Conservation Fund.

On August 1, 2018, the United States Senate passed their version of this legislation. Specifically, the Senate version includes:

- \$13.1 billion for the Interior Department;
- \$1.57 billion for the Fish and Wildlife Service;
- \$8.058 billion for the Environmental Protection Agency, equal to the FY2018 level;
- \$2.86 billion for the Clean Water and Drinking Water State Revolving Fund;
- \$63 million for WIFIA
- \$4.3 billion for wildland firefighting;
- \$3 million for the Council on Environmental Quality;
- No provision associated with the Waters of the United States Rule.





Other Issues:

- Anchor continues to monitor actions associated with the Waters of the United States case. The House Energy and Water Appropriations Act does include language preventing the implementation of the rule. The House Interior Appropriations Act also included language outlawing implementation of the rule. Both sides are currently preparing for litigation on this subject.
- 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.” Finally, Anchor is monitoring the race to succeed Chairman Shuster at the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee. All of these decisions will be finalized after the mid-term elections and the re-organization efforts of both political parties in both bodies of congress.
- Volatile Organic Compounds. As Anchor has indicated in the past, we are working with our Federally elected officials to establish legislation on this subject. Anchor has held numerous meetings with Representative Knight’s staff and has discussed the matter at length to work out the best possible way forward. We continue to be hopeful that this legislation will be introduced sometime in September.
- 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.

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September 4th, 2018

MEMORANDUM

TO: Steve Cole, Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency  
FROM: Dennis K. Albiani, Erinn Ryberg, California Advocates, Inc.  
SUBJECT: September Report

**Two Years Session with Many Water Priorities Ends**

The two-year legislative session has come to an end. This legislation session followed California’s historic drought making water a top priority. With the Governor’s Water Action Plan having been under consideration, he had this final session to solidify his legacy in water policy. To recall, the first year of the session brought about water measurement, a Parks and Water Bond, that was enacted this June, historic water conservation legislation, attempts to reform Proposition 218, an attempt to create a Safe and Affordable Clean Water Account for disadvantaged communities, and water investments through budget augmentations.

More recently, the past two weeks the legislature acted on over 1000 measures, the majority of which made it to the Governor. All of the approved bills are on the Governor’s desk and he has 30 days to sign or veto them. While Governor Brown is known for being fiscally moderate there could be some surprises given his lame duck status. Below you will find an update on notable items of interest in this final stretch of this two-year session. Additionally, we have included an overview of the propositions and the key elections in November.

**BUDGET**

Governor Brown signed a \$201.4-billion budget this year, which will be the final budget of Brown's eight-year tenure. It is also the third consecutive blueprint that includes notably higher-than-expected tax revenue, a sizable portion of which lawmakers are diverting into the largest cash reserve in California history.

Funding for Prop 68, authorized by SB 5, which voters passed in June:

- Proposition 68, the California Clean Water and Safe Parks Act, was a \$4.1 billion measure approved by the voters in June. The proposition allocates \$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. More specifically the following programs received:
  - \$61.8 million from SB 5 for DWR to support implementation of “Sustainable Ground Water Management Planning including (1) providing technical assistance to aid in the

development and evaluation of their plans, (2) supplementing existing planning grants to support a groundwater sustainability agency's responsibility to define a path to achieve sustainable groundwater management, and (3) providing grants directly supporting implementation of groundwater projects.

- \$4.7 million in 2018-19 for the State Water Board and the Department of Food and Agriculture to take initial steps toward implementation of this new program, including (1) developing and implementing fee collection systems, (2) conducting an assessment to estimate the level of funding needed to assist water systems in the state to ensure the delivery of safe and affordable drinking water, and (3) developing and making available a map of high-risk aquifers used as drinking water sources.
- \$63 million from SB 5 for the State Water Board to provide grants to public water systems in disadvantaged communities for infrastructure improvements to meet safe and affordable drinking water standards.

## KEY LEGISLATION

### Water

**SB 998 (Dodd)** proposes to require all public water systems (with more than 200 connections) to have a written policy on discontinuation of residential water service, provide that policy in multiple languages, and include provisions for not shutting off water for those customers that can demonstrate that losing water service will be life threatening. Additionally, SB 998 requires the public water systems to give the residential customer 60 days before the water can be shutoff and caps the amount of the reconnection fee that can be charged to the customer at \$50 during normal business hours and \$150 for non-operational hours. Status: Assembly floor. **Opposed, to the Governor**

**SB 606 (Hertzberg)** and **AB 1668 (Friedman)** set permanent overall targets for indoor and outdoor water consumption. The laws set an initial limit for indoor water use of 55 gallons per-person per-day in 2022, which gradually drops to 50 gallons per person by 2030. DWR and the Water Board will conduct studies and recommend standards for outdoor use by October 2021. Since water used for agriculture is regulated by the DWR, under their own Agricultural Water Management Plan, they are not subject to these new conservation rules. These bills have already been signed into law by Governor Brown.

**SB 844 (Monning)** and **SB 845 (Monning)** was Governor Brown and state lawmakers attempt to reboot an effort to pass a new tax to attack unsafe drinking water in California that was contained in the previous measure SB 623 (Monning). SB 845 would require community water systems to apply a "voluntary remittance to provide safe drinking water to disadvantaged communities" on each customer's bill by July 1, 2019. Customers would be allowed to opt-out of the fee thus making this a simple majority vote. SB 844 imposes a mandatory tax on dairy producers and fertilizer manufacturers and therefore must meet a higher two-thirds vote threshold. In dramatic fashion, the Speaker held the bills and in a press conference had Water Parks and Wildlife Chair Eduardo Garcia and Republican Caucus lead Assembly member Heath Flora discuss plans for next year to address the Safe and Affordable Clean Drinking Water Legislation with a bi-partisan approach.

Here are the details of the final legislation SB 844 and SB 845:

- Policy bill language to impose a fee structure on agriculture to generate \$30 million/year for 15 years – subject to fluctuation due to value of fertilizer – along with the associated enforcement relief for those that pay into the Fund. The fees would decrease after 15 years but do not sunset. Specifically, the assessments are:
  - o \$8 mil assessment per dollar of fertilizer purchased
  - o \$4 mil assessment per dollar of retail/over the counter of fertilizer purchased
  - o \$1000 per permitted non-dairy confined animal facility with a \$12,000 cap per permittee/company
  - o \$0.01355 per hundredweight of milk for dairy facility □ expected to raise \$5.6 million
- Appropriation of \$23.5 million from the General Fund for safe drinking water programs for disadvantaged communities. This funding was set aside in the FY 18/19 state budget but not appropriated. The SWRCB will use a portion of these funds to update their “needs assessment.” A subsequent needs assessment would occur in 15 years.
- Policy trailer bill language to require that retail water providers invoice and collect a “voluntary donation” from each customer. The amount of the donation would be based upon service connection size. Revenue generated would be deposited into the Safe and Affordable Drinking Water Fund, authorized by the trailer bill language. Retail customers can choose to “opt out” by adjusting their payment to the water provider.
- The bill were “double joined” which means both must pass to take effect. Failed Passage, Held in Rules Committee

**AB 2050 (Caballero)** ACWA supported this measure which was in response to the water assessment bills above. This bill would create the Small System Water Authority Act of 2018 and state legislative findings and declarations relating to authorizing the creation of small system water authorities that will have powers to absorb, improve, and competently operate noncompliant public water systems. The administration tagged this bill with hundreds of millions of dollars in cost and Department of Finance opposed. While the bill passed the legislature, it is questionable whether it will be signed. To Governor.

**SB 1422 (Portantino)** would provide the State Water Board authority to establish standard regulating microplastics in drinking water. A coalition of water agencies provided the below amendments to the author this week for consideration.

(b) The state board shall, in consultation with interested stakeholders:

- (1) Develop standardized and validated methods for sampling, detecting, and characterizing microplastics in drinking water to better understand the occurrence in drinking water;
- (2) Develop a detection limit for purposes of reporting;
- (3) Determine appropriate sampling frequency and locations for samples;
- (4) Determine sufficient laboratory capacity needed to evaluate microplastics in drinking water samples throughout the state; and
- (5) Identify additional research or policy or statutory changes that may be needed which are accepted and supported using the peer review process.

**Passed to Governor’s Desk.**

**Electricity Grid Legislation Opposed by SWC**

**AB 813 (Holden):** Multistate Regional Transmission System Organization – The main concern with Regionalization of the electricity grid is that fully sourced entities like the SWC will share in the cost of the regional grid and yet receive no benefits. The bill has the potential of giving the other western states, participating in the expanded CAISO and on the Western States Committee, the ability to force California consumers to pay for western grid expansion, potentially with hundreds of miles of expensive transmission projects elsewhere that California consumers may not need or want, leading to rising electricity costs. Held in Rules Committee.

### **State Water Contracts Hearing Postponed, Rescheduled, Legislation Held**

In the summer, the SWC submitted a letter requesting for Joint Legislative Budget Committee Hearing on State Water Project (SWP) Contract Extension to have a hearing to encourage the approval of the contracts to avoid rate impacts to ratepayers from across the state. The hearing was scheduled, then postponed at request of the President Pro Tem of the Senate. After much discussion it became apparent this was an opportunity for continued discussion between MWD and San Diego over their protracted litigation. Following conversations and negotiations, the hearing was set again for Thursday August 30<sup>th</sup> and abruptly cancelled the night prior. Again, discussions occurred including having SCVWA contacting both Senators and asking they request a hearing, it was finally set for September 11, 2018 at 10 am.

One of the issues that came out of the discussion was **AB 2649 (Bloom)** The bill would have required DWR to provide at least 10 days' notice to the Joint Legislative Budget Committee before holding public sessions to negotiate any potential amendment of a long-term water supply contract or that would permanently transfer a contractual water amount between contractors. The bill would require the department to submit to the Joint Legislative Budget Committee and relevant policy and fiscal committees of the Legislature certain information regarding the terms and conditions of a proposed amendment of a long-term water supply contract and to submit a copy of the long-term contract as it is proposed to be amended. The bill failed passage.

### **November Propositions**

12 propositions have earned a spot on California's November ballot.

New borrowing

Four ballot measures will ask voters to authorize the sale of new government bonds, which must be paid back over time with interest.

Proposition 3: Parks and Water Bond The largest proposal is an \$8.9-billion bond for water supply and storage efforts including water recycling, storm water capture, restoring fish habitats and repairing the spillways of the Oroville Dam that were damaged in 2017.

Short Summary of major programs in Water Supply and Water Quality Bond Act of 2018

- Safe drinking water and wastewater treatment for disadvantaged communities. \$750 million. Provides safe drinking water and wastewater treatment for disadvantaged communities
- Wastewater recycling. \$400 million. Recycles wastewater mainly for landscaping and industrial uses

- Groundwater desalination. \$400 million. Converts salty groundwater to usable water supply.
  - Urban water conservation. \$300 million. Leak detection, toilet replacement, landscape conversion.
  - Agricultural water conservation. \$50 million. Improves inefficient irrigation systems, increasing river flows to Delta
  - Groundwater. \$675 million. Implements the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act., stabilizing groundwater levels in overdraft groundwater basins.
  - Central valley flood management, including flood plain restoration. \$100 million. Makes farms and communities more flood safe, and makes flood plains for habitat friendly.
  - Additional \$50 million for retrofit of a reservoir (probably Bullard’s Bar) for better flood management.
  - San Francisco Bay Wetlands and flood improvements. \$200 million. Improves wetlands in San Francisco Bay to provide flood protection and mitigate sea level rise.
  - Flood Control. 100 million
  - Data management. \$60 million. Better data collection and management: streamflow, etc.
  - Stormwater management \$600 million for a variety of state agencies. Capture and treatment of stormwater flows improved river and ocean water quality and increasing water supplies
  - Watershed Restoration \$2.355 billion to a wide variety of state agencies. Pays for better management of watersheds throughout the state to improve water quality and water supply.
  - Land Management for Water Yield. \$100 million. Removal of invasive weeds which use excessive amounts of surface and groundwater such as tamarisk, yellow starthistle, and Arundo. Estimates of water savings are in excess of one million acre feet per year.
  - Central Valley Fisheries restoration. \$400 million. Restoring fish habitat. Supplements necessary streamflows.
- Water and specific habitat improvements for fisheries. \$350 million. Purchase of water for fish and waterfowl.
- Salmon/steelhead restoration. \$300 million
  - Waterfowl habitat. \$280 million. Helps acquire and restore waterfowl habitat.
  - Bay Area Regional Reliability. \$250 million. Improves interconnections between Bay Area water agencies, making it easier to survive droughts.
- Improvement to Friant Kern Canal and other Friant water interconnections. \$750 million. Restores lost capacity to Friant Kern Canal, pays for groundwater recharge programs, water conservation and possibly new water conveyance in the Friant area.
- Oroville Dam Spillway Repair. \$200 million. Makes Oroville Dam more flood safe. The initiative also allows state and federal water contractors to recover the funds they pay in climate change charges due to implementation of AB 32, and use those funds in their own systems for water and energy conservation to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. These water/energy conservation projects must meet AB32 standards for emissions mitigation.

A second ballot measure seeks approval for a \$1.5 billion-bond to finance construction projects at 13 children's hospitals across the state. Most of the money would go to nonprofit hospitals that serve children from low-income families and with special needs.

Two other measures seek money for housing: a \$4-billion bond for housing aimed at low-income residents and veterans and a \$2-billion bond to finance new housing for the state's homeless.

#### Housing

A major battle is expected over the ballot measure to give cities and counties expanded power to impose rent control rules, repealing a long-standing state law that has limited new rent control efforts.

Meanwhile, the California Assn. of Realtors have a measure which would allow older homeowners to bring along their existing property tax rate to any new home they buy — a way to encourage those homeowners to consider a new purchase.

#### Gas Tax

There will be an intense fall campaign over a \$52-billion transportation plan approved by lawmakers last year. That plan, which calls for a major effort to repair and replace the state's aging highways and roads, is financed by higher gas and diesel taxes as well as a new vehicle registration fee. Critics qualified a proposition for the ballot that would repeal those taxes and fees and require voters to approve any future effort to raise them in a future election.

#### Healthcare

One proposition would impose new caps on charges assessed at outpatient kidney dialysis clinics. Money collected by the clinics above those new limits could be refunded to commercial health insurers.

A second initiative would create new flexibility for when ambulance employees who work for private companies take their meal and rest breaks. It would also require additional worker training.

#### Eggs

A decade after voters banned small confinement cages for some farm animals, backers of that law want to transition California away from selling any eggs from hens kept in cages. Those chickens would have to be cage-free by 2022. New rules would also apply to pigs and veal calves slaughtered and sold in the state.

California could (someday) make daylight saving time permanent

A proposal written and submitted by the Legislature asks voters to give lawmakers the power to switch the state to permanent daylight saving time, but only if Congress allows





## LEGISLATION TRACKING

Letters of Support/Opposition

**ITEM NO.**  
**4.1**

Date	Bill/Initiative	Title	Stand	Notes	Leg. Policy*	Status
6/19/2018	Prop 3	Water Supply and Water Quality Act of 2018.	SUPPORT	Resolution passed by Board	4.0 & 10.	On Nov ballot
5/29/2018	AB 2649 (Arambula) (Now Bloom)	Water Rights (Now State Water Project: water supply contracts)	OPPOSITION Withdrawn	9/4/18: (5/29/18: In light of the most recent amended version of the bill, SCV withdrew opposition) Lacks important safeguards to insure permanent underground storage is implemented in a way that protects existing water users and the environment (Initially opposed 4/16/2018)	4.0 & 10	Died, then gutted and amended to address another issue entirely. JLBC to review State Water Contracts on 9/11. (Not required to take action or approve.)
5/16/2018	AB 2065 (Ting)	Local Agencies Surplus Land	OPPOSE unless amended	Require special districts/ local agencies to offer right of first refusal to affordable housing developers, schools, and parks before selling, leasing, or otherwise conveying their land; regardless of the appropriateness of use and regardless of desire to protect or preserve the land for future use.	11.0	Dead. Held in suspense file.
5/10/2018	AB 3045 (Gallagher)	State Water Project Commission	OPPOSE	Transfers control of SWP from CA DWR to a new SWP Commission, with 9 members appointed by the governor, confirmed by Senate. Requires representation from upstream watershed, but not actual SWP service area.	2.0	Held in suspense file. Won't move FW this year.
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	n/a
4/13/2018	SR 96 (Wilk)	Proposed mining project	SUPPORT	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	Adopted 7/2/2018
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	Active - in floor process
3/27/2018	SB 998 (Dodd)	Restrictions on Shutoff Notices	OPPOSE	Requires process for retail water districts to follow prior to shutting off water for low wealth and disadvantaged ratepayers and customers.		Passed
3/26/2018	AB 792 (Frazier)	Delta Stewardship Council	OPPOSE	Delta policy. The replacement "Delta Protection Commission" is dominated by in-Delta interest.	2.0	Failed

Date	Bill/Initiative	Title	Stand	Notes	Leg. Policy*	Status
3/26/2018	AB 1876 (Frazier)	Delta Stewardship Council	OPPOSE	Replaced AB792 for 2018. Still to create new "Delta Protection Commission" dominated by in-Delta interest.	2.0	Failed
3/22/2018	WaterSense	EPA WaterSense program	SUPPORT	This letter urges the administrator of the EPA to continue to fund the program.	5.0	n/a
6/4/2018 3/19/2018	SB 623 Budget Trailer Bill SB 845 (Monning)	Drinking Water Tax	OPPOSE unless amended	(6/4/18: Oppose unless amended letter sent to ACWA, Senator Wilk and Assemblymember Acosta) 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	SB 623 "effectively dead". Re-referred to Comm on Rules. 8/31 - statement from Speaker Rendon references "will continue working next year"
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	Enrolled/presented to Governor for signature
3/14/2018	Prop 68	Drought, Water, Parks, Climate, Coastal Protection and Outdoor Access for All Act (June 2018)	RESO in Support (SCV-25)	General obligation bond (\$4 billion) which includes safe drinking water, watershed restoration, groundwater investments/recharge, recycled water, more	4.0	Passed w/ 56.29% of the vote

\* Reference to applicable section of Legislative Policy Guidelines

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Represents changes since last distribution.

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## SPONSORSHIP TRACKING

**ITEM NO.**  
**4.2**

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 28, 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
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

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**PUBLIC OUTREACH AND LEGISLATION COMMITTEE  
AGENDA PLANNING CALENDAR 2018**

**ITEM NO.  
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**March 21, 18 Special Committee**

1. Legislative Consultant Reports
2. Legislative Policy Guidelines Draft
3. Resolution in Support of Prop 68 Draft
4. Resolution in Support of California Water Bond of 2018 Draft
5. Outreach Communication Plan Discussion
6. Informational: Public Outreach Events 2018

**April 3, 18 Board Meeting**

1. Legislative Policy Guidelines
2. Resolution in Support of Prop 68

**April 19, 18 Committee**

1. Legislative Consultant Reports
2. Outreach Communication Plan Draft
3. Informational: Legislative Tracking 2018

**May 15, 18 Board Meeting**

1. Outreach Communication Plan

**May 17, 18 Committee**

1. Legislative Consultant Reports
2. Resolution in Support of Water Supply & Water Quality Act of 2018 Draft
3. Informational: Public Outreach Events 2018
4. Informational: Legislative Tracking 2018
5. Other Staff Activities: Stakeholder List
6. Other Staff Activities: Website reports & documents library search
7. Water Bottle Fill Station – PP Presentation

**June 5, 18 Board Meeting**

1. Approval of Resolution Supporting Water Supply and Water Quality Act of 2018  
(Moved to June 19 Board Meeting – Board requesting more information on financial considerations)

**June 19, 18 Board Meeting**

1. Approval of Resolution Supporting Water Supply and Water Quality Act of 2018

**June 21, 18 Committee**

1. Legislative Consultant Reports
2. Informational: Legislative Tracking 2018
3. Other Staff Activities: Semi-Annual Media Outreach Plan
4. Water Bottle Fill Station Pilot Program
5. ACWA Conference Sponsorship Options

**July 3, 18 Board Meeting Cancelled**

**July 17, 18 Board Meeting**

**July 19, 18 Committee Cancelled**

**August 7, 18 Board Meeting**



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**August 16, 18 Committee**

1. Legislative Consultant Reports
2. Informational: Legislative Tracking 2018
3. Other Staff Activities: Sierra Club/SCV Water Collaboration
4. Other Staff Activities: CSDA's Award Nominations
5. Other Staff Activities: ACWA's Huell Howser Best in Blue Award Nomination

**August 21, 18 Board Meeting Cancelled**

**September 4, 18 Board Meeting**

**September 13, 18 Special Committee**

1. Legislative Consultant Reports
2. Discuss Legislative Advocacy
3. Informational: Legislative Tracking 2018
4. Informational: Sponsorship Tracking 2018
5. Committee Planning Calendar

**September 18, 18 Board Meeting**

**September 20, 18 Committee Cancelled**

**October 2, 18 Board Meeting**

**October 16, 18 Board Meeting**

**October 18, 18 Committee**

1. Legislative Consultant Reports
2. Discuss Legislative Advocacy
3. Tentative Agency's Media Policy
4. Informational: Legislative Tracking 2018
5. Informational: Sponsorship Tracking 2018
6. Committee Planning Calendar

**November 6, 18 Board Meeting**

**November 15, 18 Committee**

1. Legislative Consultant Reports
2. Discuss Legislative Advocacy
3. Tentative Blue Ribbon Committee
4. Informational: Legislative Tracking 2018
5. Informational: Sponsorship Tracking 2018
6. Committee Planning Calendar

**November 20, 18 Board Meeting**

**December 4, 18 Board Meeting**

**December 18, 18 Board Meeting**



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**December 20, 18 Committee**

1. Legislative Consultant Reports
2. Informational: Legislative Tracking 2018
3. Informational: Sponsorship Tracking 2018
4. Committee Planning Calendar