



SCV Water Agency Public Outreach and Legislation Committee Meeting

Thursday, February 15, 2024
Committee Meeting Begins at 5:30 PM

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Date: February 8, 2024

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

From: Steve Cole, Assistant General Manager *SC*

The **Public Outreach and Legislation Committee** meeting is on **Thursday, February 15, 2024 at 5:30 PM at 26521 Summit Circle, Santa Clarita, CA 91350 in the Engineering Services Section (ESS) Boardroom.** Members of the public may attend in person or virtually. To attend this meeting virtually, please see below.

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MEETING AGENDA

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2. <u>PUBLIC COMMENTS</u> – Members of the public may comment as to items within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Agency that are not on the Agenda at this time. Members of the public wishing to comment on items covered in this Agenda may do so at the time each item is considered. (Comments may, at the discretion of the Committee Chair, be limited to three minutes for each speaker.) To participate in public comment from your computer, tablet, or smartphone, click the “raise hand” feature in Zoom. You will be notified when it is your turn to speak, please unmute when requested. To participate in public comment via phone, dial *9 to raise your hand. When it is your turn to speak, dial *6 to unmute.	
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Posted on February 8, 2024

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To: Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency
From: Van Scoyoc Associates (VSA); Geoff Bowman, Pete Evich, Ashley Strobel, Jessica Flewallen
Date: February 5, 2024
Subject: February 2024 Report

Fiscal Year 2024 Appropriations Updates

On January 18th, Congress passed another laddered continuing resolution (CR) to continue funding the federal government, the third stopgap measure Congress has adopted since the beginning of Fiscal Year (FY) 2024. The first of the laddered appropriations bills, which includes the Energy and Water bill, will run through March 1st, and the second, which includes the Interior-EPA bill, runs through March 8th. At the end of January, leaders on the House and Senate Appropriations Committees reached an agreement on topline spending numbers for defense and nondefense programs in the 12 appropriations bills, a major step toward finalizing the FY2024 bills. The House and Senate Appropriations subcommittees have begun divvying up their funding allocations among the programs and accounts under their bills. While details on the funding allocations have not yet been disclosed, Appropriations subcommittee leaders have expressed tepid approval with the amounts provided. Still, members have expressed a willingness to continue to work to pass the 12 bills before the March 1st and March 8th deadlines.

EPA Proposed Rule on PFAS and Other Emerging Contaminants

On February 1st, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) released a pre-publication proposed rule to amend the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA). The proposed rule would add multiple PFAS chemicals to the list of identified substances needing regulation, including PFOA, PFOS, PFBS, GenX, PFNA, PFHxS, PFDA, PFHxA, and PFBA. The rule suggests that nine PFAS chemicals be listed as “hazardous constituents” rather than “hazardous waste” under RCRA. The proposed rule could lead to clean-ups at permitted hazardous waste facilities, hold polluters accountable, and strengthen protections for communities and drinking water supplies.

Additionally, on February 1st, the EPA released a pre-publication proposed rule to modify the definition of hazardous waste as it applies to clean-ups at permitted hazardous waste facilities. This would clarify the authority of the EPA and authorized states to require clean-up of all substances recognized under the RCRA, which includes PFAS.

Pre-publication proposed rules:

- <https://www.epa.gov/hw/proposal-clarify-authority-address-releases-hazardous-waste-treatment-storage-and-disposal>
- <https://www.epa.gov/hw/proposal-list-nine-and-polyfluoroalkyl-compounds-resource-conservation-and-recovery-act>

Water Resources and Development Act Member's Day Hearing

On January 11th, the House Transportation and Infrastructure Water Resources and Environment Subcommittee held a hearing entitled "Proposals for a Water Resources Development Act of 2024: Members' Day Hearing." In the hearing, House Members discussed the need for immediate funding and support from the federal government and the United States Army Corps of Engineers for their districts to address the current water supply crisis. Water Resources Subcommittee Chairman David Rouzer (R-NC) and Ranking Member Grace Napolitano (D-CA) highlighted the importance of the Water Resources Development Act (WRDA)'s effect on everyday lives and the importance of the public's input throughout the process of developing WRDA 2024.

- See a link to the hearing [here](#).

Rep. Napolitano Water Supply Legislation

On January 22nd, Representative Grace Napolitano (D-CA) introduced legislation to include water supply and water conservation as a mission of the Corps of Engineers in planning, designing, constructing, modifying, operating, and maintaining water resources development projects, and for other purposes. The goal of this bill is to address the new challenges communities are facing by balancing competing water supply uses along with the pressures of growing populations, aging infrastructure, ecosystem protection, and climate change. Specifically, the bill would elevate water supply and water conservation activities and authorize the Corps to provide equal priority for increased and sustainable sources of water supply.

- See the bill text [here](#).

Lead and Copper Rule Improvements Public Hearing

On January 16th, the EPA held a public hearing on National Primary Drinking Water Regulations for Lead and Copper Improvements. Public knowledge is that lead is highly toxic, and it is estimated that currently 9.2 million lead service lines remain in place today. The Lead and Copper Rule is intended to provide municipalities with the framework needed to accelerate the replacement of these lines.

The main controversy lies within the funding aspect of the rule, as there remains a lack of consensus on who should claim financial responsibility for the replacement of lead service lines. Residents believe the utility companies should pay, and vice versa, but this decision has many nuances. One is the potential for utility companies to claim responsibility, only to offload the cost onto their customers through increased rates.

A consensus that was apparent in the hearing was that while residents and facilities wait for their service lines to be replaced, they should be provided water filters at no cost. Through increased funding and support, the Administration is optimistic that within 10 years all lead service lines will have been replaced with a PVC alternative.

Senators Urge Agriculture Committee to Address Drought in Farm Bill

On January 11th, California U.S. Senators Alex Padilla (D-CA), Laphonza Butler (D-CA) and a group of bipartisan senators sent a letter to the Senate Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition & Forestry to address long-term drought in the 2024 Farm Bill. The senators emphasized the need to prioritize addressing long-term drought through water conservation, watershed planning, and water infrastructure upgrades. Senators also highlighted the negative effects of drought on rural communities, local economy, and food systems, further proving how crucial it is to ensure the correct measures and infrastructure are in place to mitigate drought.

- See a copy of the letter [here](#).

President Biden Urges Water Sector to Strengthen Cybersecurity

The Biden Administration is urging the water sector to ramp up cybersecurity protections after attacks on water utilities. As a response to the growing concern of cybersecurity, the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA), EPA, and the FBI have released an Incident Response Guide to help utilities respond to these events. The guide was sent to water trade groups, regional CISA offices, and local security advisors in all 50 states and is intended to inform the water sector on recognizing potential attacks and reporting any incidents. CISA and EPA have been under pressure to improve communication with water utilities after the recent attacks and have stated the guide will provide utilities approaches to collaborate with the federal government to strengthen cybersecurity practices and lower risks.

- See the guide [here](#).

On January 31st, the House Energy and Commerce Subcommittee on Environment, Manufacturing, and Critical Materials held a hearing entitled "Ensuring the Cybersecurity of America's Drinking Water Systems." The main themes discussed in the hearing were the differences in small and large water systems' challenges, communication between the utilities and the EPA, EPA's regulations over utilities, and the need for more education on cybersecurity. Members and witnesses widely agreed that the EPA should lead risk management for the water sector and emphasized that a one-size-fits-all approach will not work.

- See a link to the hearing [here](#).

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-VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL-

February 7, 2024

To: Steve Cole, Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency
From: Dennis Albiani, Annalee Augustine, California Advocates
Subject: February 2024 Report

Severe weather throughout the state and particularly in Los Angeles County this week has prompted an Emergency Declaration by Governor Newsom and underscored the need for added focus to the state's infrastructure and climate change needs. Amidst the storms, Senator Mike McGuire of Healdsburg was sworn in as Senate President pro Tempore on Monday, February 5. Leadership changes and new committee chairs will follow with announcements expected in the coming days.

The next significant deadline in the state legislature is the February 16 bill introduction deadline. It is expected that focus will soon shift to the March 5 primary election and new bill ideas could be impacted by the budget deficit, however, we will still see many hundreds of ideas proposed leading up to this date and will keep SCV Water updated as relevant measures are introduced. We look forward to continued work together in 2024, and please do not hesitate to reach out at any time if there are any questions.

2023 Legislation

Misc.

[AB 828 \(Connolly\) Sustainable groundwater management: managed wetlands](#) exempts groundwater use by managed wetlands and small community water systems serving disadvantaged communities (DAC) from specified authorities of groundwater sustainability agencies (GSA) to regulate groundwater pumping under the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA).

Status: Passed Asm. Floor on January 29 and has been referred to the Senate.

[SB 366 \(Caballero\) The California Water Plan: long-term supply targets](#) establishes long-term water supply targets for the State to achieve, require a financing plan, and would update the requirement that state agencies develop a plan to achieve those targets, in consultation with local water agencies, wastewater service providers and other stakeholders.

Status: Two-year bill.

Position: Support

Water and Climate Change Bonds

[AB 305 \(Villapudua D\) California Flood Protection Bond Act of 2024](#) authorizes the issuance of bonds in the amount of \$4,500,000,000 pursuant to the State General Obligation Bond Law for flood protection projects, as specified.

Status: Two-year bill.

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

authorizes the issuance of bonds in the amount of \$15,995,000,000 pursuant to the State General Obligation Bond Law to finance projects for safe drinking water, prevention, drought preparation, flood protection, extreme heat mitigation, clean energy, and workforce development programs. \$70 million would be allocated to the State Water Board for technical assistance for drinking water systems to address PFAS.

Status: Two-year bill.

[SB 638 \(Eggman\) Climate Resiliency and Flood Protection Bond Act of 2024](#) authorizes the issuance of bonds in the amount of \$6,000,000,000 pursuant to the State General Obligation Bond Law, for flood protection and climate resiliency projects.

Status: Two-year bill.

[SB 867 \(Allen\) Drought and Water Resilience, Wildfire and Forest Resilience, Coastal Resilience, Extreme Heat Mitigation, Biodiversity and Nature-Based Climate Solutions, Climate Smart Agriculture, and Park Creation and Outdoor Access Bond Act of 2023](#) would authorize the issuance of bonds in the amount of \$15,500,000,000 pursuant to the State General Obligation Bond Law to finance projects for drought, flood, and water resilience, wildfire and forest resilience, coastal resilience, extreme heat mitigation, biodiversity and nature-based climate solutions, climate smart agriculture, park creation and outdoor access, and clean energy programs. Grants for monitoring and remediation of perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances among projects eligible for \$400,000,000 to the State Water Board. \$200,000,000 would be available for projects that support groundwater banking, conjunctive use, recharge, or other groundwater projects that improve water resilience.

Status: Two-year bill.

ACWA SLC Update

We continue to represent SCV Water on the State Legislative Committee (SLC) Meeting. ACWA's State Legislative Committee Meeting met most recently on January 19, 2024. The first bill discussed was a proposal for ACWA sponsorship regarding Proposition 218. This proposal seeks to address issue exhaustion for any property-related water or sewer fee or charge, or any special assessment (fee or assessment) adopted by a local agency pursuant to Sections 4 or 6 of Article XIII D of the California Constitution through an optional exhaustion of remedies procedure. The SLC voted to sponsor.

The second bill discussed was AB 828 (Connolly), which would prohibit a GSA from using its authority regarding the establishment of groundwater extraction allocations for small community water systems serving disadvantaged communities from permitted public water supply wells or to managed wetland extractors, except as specified. The SLC voted to oppose and has formed a workgroup for the bill.

The SLC meets next on Friday, February 9 in Sacramento and will be considering positions on six bills.

Regulatory and Administrative Actions

Storm Response: State of Emergency in Southern California

February 4, Governor Newsom declared a state of emergency for eight counties in southern California, including Los Angeles County. This action authorizes action from the California National Guard, unemployment benefits for impacted residents, and simplifies processes for out-of-state contractors and utilities to repair storm damages. Please find the text of the emergency proclamation [HERE](#) and the Governor's press release which contains links to additional resources [HERE](#).

Hexavalent Chromium Maximum Contaminant Level

January 31, the State Water Board released a Notice of added materials to the list of Documents Relied Upon for the proposed Hexavalent Chromium (Cr(VI)) Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) Regulations and is making the additional documents available for public comment for 15 days prior to adoption of the proposed regulations. The proposed Cr(VI) MCL is 0.01 micrograms per liter (or 10 parts per billion). Please find the full notice [HERE](#). Comments are due February 19 and the State Water Board is anticipated to adopt the regulations in April, 2024.

California Salmon Strategy for a Hotter, Drier Future

On January 30, Governor Newsom released the California Salmon Strategy for a Hotter, Drier Future: Restoring Aquatic Ecosystems in the Age of Climate Change which aims to reverse the decline of salmon. The Strategy outlines six priorities: barrier removal, habitat restoration, protection of water flows and quality, hatchery modernization, technological management improvements, and strengthened partnerships. In the section on removing barriers, support for dam removal projects including the Matilija Dam in Ventura County and Rindge Dam on Malibu Creek in Los Angeles County were mentioned. Please find the full report [HERE](#).

Potential State Strategies for Protecting Communities and Fish and Wildlife in the Event of Drought

January 17, the California Water Commission (CWC) approved a White Paper on Potential Strategies for Protecting Communities and Fish and Wildlife in the Event of Drought. The CWC developed four strategies for augmenting drought resilience including scaling up groundwater recharge; conducting watershed-level planning to reduce drought impacts to ecosystems; better positioning communities to prepare for a respond to drought emergencies; and

supporting improved coordination, information, and communication in drought and non-drought years. Please find the full White Paper [HERE](#).

California Advocates, Inc. Activity Report

- Followed up with stakeholders and legislative staff regarding legislation, budget, and regulatory inquiries.
- Met with legislators and key staff regarding support for water and climate change legislative bonds.
- Participated in ACWA State Legislative Committee meeting and Region 8 discussions on behalf of Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency.
- Participated in ACWA Water Rights Working Group.

Important Dates and Deadlines for 2024

February

- Feb. 16 Last day for bills to be introduced.
Feb. 19 Presidents' Day (Observed).

March

- Mar. 5 California Primary Election Day.
Mar. 21 Spring recess begins upon adjournment of this day's session.
Mar. 29 Cesar Chavez Day (Observed).



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Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency
Legislative Status Report 2/8/2024

[AB 104](#) (Ting D) Budget Acts of 2022 and 2023. (Amended: 8/29/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 9/13/2023-Re-referred to Com. on B. & F.R.

Location: 9/13/2023-S. BUDGET & F.R.

Summary: The Budget Act of 2022 and the Budget Act of 2023 made appropriations for the support of state government for the 2022–23 and 2023–24 fiscal years. This bill would amend the Budget Act of 2022 and the Budget Act of 2023 by amending and adding items of appropriation and making other changes. This bill contains other related provisions.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[AB 122](#) (Committee on Budget) Public resources trailer bill. (Amended: 6/24/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 8/14/2023-Re-referred to Com. on B. & F.R.

Location: 8/14/2023-S. BUDGET & F.R.

Summary: Existing law requires the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission (Energy Commission), on or before June 1, 2022, to evaluate and quantify the maximum feasible capacity of offshore wind to achieve reliability, ratepayer, employment, and decarbonization benefits and to establish megawatt offshore wind planning goals for 2030 and 2045. Existing law also requires the Energy Commission, among other things, to develop and produce a permitting roadmap that describes timeframes and milestones for a coordinated, comprehensive, and efficient permitting process for offshore wind energy facilities and associated electricity and transmission infrastructure off the coast of California. Existing law repeals these provisions on January 1, 2027. This bill would express the intent of the Legislature that the administration conduct an assessment of offshore wind energy permitting and related resource needs across applicable state entities, including, but not limited to, the Energy Commission, the State Lands Commission, the California Coastal Commission, and the State Coastal Conservancy, as specified. The bill would also state that the outcomes of the assessment may be considered as part of a future budget. This bill contains other existing laws.

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SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[AB 277](#) (Rodriguez D) Extreme Weather Forecast and Threat Intelligence Integration Center. (Amended: 7/3/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 9/1/2023-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(11). (Last location was APPR. SUSPENSE FILE on 8/21/2023)(May be acted upon Jan 2024)

Location: 9/1/2023-S. 2 YEAR

Summary: Existing law, the California Emergency Services Act, establishes, within the office of the Governor, the Office of Emergency Services, under the Director of Emergency Services for the purpose of mitigating the effects of natural, human-made, or war-caused emergencies. Existing law establishes the Department of Water Resources within the Natural Resources Agency and sets forth its powers and duties relating to water resources. Existing law establishes the Atmospheric Rivers: Research, Mitigation, and Climate Forecasting Program within the department to, upon appropriation of special fund moneys, research climate forecasting and the causes and impacts that climate change has on atmospheric rivers, to operate reservoirs in a manner that improves flood protection in the state, and to reoperate flood control and water storage facilities to capture water generated by atmospheric rivers. This bill would establish the State-Federal Flood Operations Center within the Department of Water Resources and would authorize the department to administer the center in the department's divisions, offices, or programs. The bill would provide that the purpose of the center is to function as the focal point for gathering, analyzing, and disseminating flood and water-related information to stakeholders and would authorize the center to take specified actions for that purpose, including to function during emergency situations to enable the department to centrally coordinate statewide emergency responses. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

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[AB 295](#) (**[Fong, Vince R](#)**) **Department of Transportation: maintenance projects.** (Amended: 5/18/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

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

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

Summary: Existing law vests the Department of Transportation with full possession and control of the state highway system, including associated property. Existing law authorizes the department to do any act necessary, convenient, or proper for the construction, improvement, maintenance, or use of all highways that are under its jurisdiction, possession, or control. Existing law authorizes the department to require the removal of any encroachment in, under, or over any state highway. This bill would require the department to expedite roadside maintenance for specified projects related to roadside maintenance and the removal and clearing of material, as provided. The bill would also authorize local governmental entities, fire protection districts, fire safe councils, and tribal entities to notify the department of those projects related to roadside maintenance and the removal and clearing of material that have not been completed in an efficient and timely manner if the continued failure to complete these projects poses a clear and imminent danger, as provided. The bill would require the Division of Maintenance to begin the maintenance project within 90 days of being notified.

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SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[AB 305](#) (Villapudua D) California Flood Protection Bond Act of 2024. (Amended: 4/25/2023 [html pdf](#))

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

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

Summary: The California Drought, Water, Parks, Climate, Coastal Protection, and Outdoor Access For All Act of 2018, approved by the voters as Proposition 68 at the June 5, 2018, statewide primary election, authorizes the issuance of bonds in the amount of \$4,000,000,000 pursuant to the State General Obligation Bond Law to finance a drought, water, parks, climate, coastal protection, and outdoor access for all program. The California Constitution requires a measure authorizing general obligation bonds to specify the single object or work to be funded by the bonds and further requires the measure to be approved by a 2/3 vote of each house of the Legislature and a majority of the voters. This bill would enact the California Flood Protection Bond Act of 2024 which, if approved by the voters, would authorize the issuance of bonds in the amount of \$4,500,000,000 pursuant to the State General Obligation Bond Law for flood protection projects, as specified. The bill would provide for the submission of these provisions to the voters at the November 5, 2024, statewide general election.

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[AB 347](#) (Ting D) Household product safety: toxic substances: testing and enforcement. (Amended: 9/8/2023 [html pdf](#))

Status: 9/14/2023-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(14). (Last location was INACTIVE FILE on 9/11/2023)(May be acted upon Jan 2024)

Location: 9/14/2023-S. 2 YEAR

Summary: Existing law prohibits a person from distributing, selling, or offering for sale in the state food packaging, as defined, that contains perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS). Existing law requires a manufacturer of specified cookware that contains certain chemicals in the handle of the product or in any cookware surface that comes in contact with food, foodstuffs, or beverages to post on an internet website for the cookware a list of those chemicals, among other information. Existing law requires, beginning January 1, 2024, the product label for this cookware to list those chemicals, among other information. Existing law prohibits this cookware from being sold, offered for sale, or distributed in the state unless the cookware and the manufacturer of the cookware comply with these provisions. This bill would require the Department of Toxic Substances Control to adopt guidance regarding the PFAS prohibition and the internet posting and labeling requirements for cookware, and to post that guidance on its internet website by January 1, 2025. By July 1, 2026, the bill would require the department to select and test at least 100 but no more than 200 random samples of food packaging and cookware for compliance with those PFAS prohibitions and the manufacturers' labeling and internet posting duties. The bill would authorize the department to select and test samples after July 1, 2026, upon appropriation by the Legislature. This bill contains other related provisions.

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SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[AB 408](#) (Wilson D) Climate-resilient Farms, Sustainable Healthy Food Access, and Farmworker Protection Bond Act of 2024. (Amended: 8/14/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 9/1/2023-In committee: Held under submission.

Location: 8/21/2023-S. APPR. SUSPENSE FILE

Summary: Existing law requires the Department of Food and Agriculture to promote and protect the agricultural industry of the state. Existing law under Article XVI of the California Constitution requires measures authorizing general obligation bonds to specify the single object or work to be funded by the bonds and further requires a bond act to be approved by a 2/3 vote of each house of the Legislature and a majority of the voters. This bill would enact the Climate-resilient Farms, Sustainable Healthy Food Access, and Farmworker Protection Bond Act of 2024, which, if approved by the voters, would authorize the issuance of bonds in the amount of \$3,650,000,000 pursuant to the State General Obligation Bond Law, to finance programs related to, among other things, agricultural lands, food and fiber infrastructure, climate resilience, agricultural professionals, including farmers, ranchers, and farmworkers, workforce development and training, air quality, tribes, disadvantaged communities, nutrition, food aid, meat processing facilities, and fishing facilities. This bill contains other related provisions.

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

Status: 7/14/2023-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(10). (Last location was E. & C.A. on 5/10/2023)(May be acted upon Jan 2024)

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

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

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SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[AB 457](#) (Patterson, Joe R) Surplus Land Act: exempt surplus land: leases. (Amended: 9/8/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 9/14/2023-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(14). (Last location was DESK on

9/13/2023)(May be acted upon Jan 2024)

Location: 9/14/2023-S. 2 YEAR

Summary: Existing law prescribes requirements for the disposal of surplus land, as defined, by a local agency, as defined. Existing law requires land to be declared surplus land or exempt surplus land, as supported by written findings, before a local agency takes any action to dispose of it consistent with the agency’s policies or procedures. Existing law requires any local agency disposing of surplus land to send, prior to disposing of that property or participating in negotiations to dispose of that property with a prospective transferee, a written notice of availability of the property pursuant to prescribed procedures. Under existing law, the disposal of exempt surplus land is not subject to these requirements. Existing law defines “exempt surplus land” for these purposes to include, among other things, surplus land that a local agency is transferring to another local, state, or federal agency for the agency’s use. This bill would expand that definition of “exempt surplus land” to include a parcel that (1) is identified in the local agency’s circulation element or capital improvement program for future roadway development, (2) is no larger than 2 acres, (3) is zoned for retail commercial use, and the use of the parcel is consistent with the underlying zoning, and (4) abuts a state highway right-of-way. This bill would make other nonsubstantive changes.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA	Watch			

[AB 460](#) ([Bauer-Kahan D](#)) **State Water Resources Control Board: water rights and usage: interim relief: procedures. (Amended: 5/18/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))**

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

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

Summary: Existing law authorizes the State Water Resources Control Board to investigate all streams, stream systems, lakes, or other bodies of water, take testimony relating to the rights to water or the use of water, and ascertain whether water filed upon or attempted to be appropriated is appropriated under the laws of the state. Existing law requires the board to take appropriate actions to prevent waste or the unreasonable use of water. This bill would authorize the board, in conducting specified investigations or proceedings to inspect the property or facilities of a person or entity, as specified. The bill would authorize the board, if consent is denied for an inspection, to obtain an inspection warrant, as specified, or in the event of an emergency affecting public health and safety, to conduct an inspection without consent or a warrant. Because the willful refusal of an inspection lawfully authorized by an inspection warrant is a misdemeanor, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program by expanding the application of a crime. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

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

[AB 560](#) ([Bennett D](#)) **Sustainable Groundwater Management Act: groundwater adjudication. (Amended: 6/26/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))**

Status: 9/1/2023-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(11). (Last location was APPR. SUSPENSE FILE on 8/14/2023)(May be acted upon Jan 2024)

Location: 9/1/2023-S. 2 YEAR

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

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[AB 565](#) (**Lee D**) **Water quality: pollution prevention plans.** (Amended: 3/16/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 7/14/2023-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(10). (Last location was E.Q. on 5/3/2023)(May be acted upon Jan 2024)

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

Summary: The Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act establishes a statewide program for the control of the quality of all the waters of the state. The act authorizes the State Water Resources Control Board, a California regional water quality control board, or a publicly owned treatment works to require a discharger, as defined, to complete a pollution prevention plan if the discharger meets certain criteria. This bill would repeal an obsolete provision of law relating to pollution prevention plans and would make a conforming change. The bill would also make other nonsubstantive changes.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[AB 754](#) (**Papan D**) **Water management planning: water shortages.** (Amended: 8/14/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 9/1/2023-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(11). (Last location was APPR. SUSPENSE FILE on 8/21/2023)(May be acted upon Jan 2024)

Location: 9/1/2023-S. 2 YEAR

Summary: Existing law, the Urban Water Management Planning Act, requires every public and

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

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

AB 805 ([Arambula D](#)) **Sewer service: disadvantaged communities.** (Amended: 1/22/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#))
Status: 1/30/2024-Read third time. Urgency clause adopted. Passed. Ordered to the Senate. (Ayes 76. Noes 0.). In Senate. Read first time. To Com. on RLS. for assignment.
Location: 1/30/2024-S. RLS.

Summary: Under existing law, the State Water Resources Control Board and the 9 California regional water quality control boards regulate water quality in accordance with the Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act and the federal Clean Water Act. Existing law authorizes a regional board to order the provision of sewer service by a receiving sewer system, as defined, to a disadvantaged community served by an inadequate onsite sewage treatment system, as defined. This bill would authorize the state board to require a sewer service provider to contract with an administrator designated or approved by the state board for administrative, technical, operational, legal, or managerial services to assist a designated sewer system with the provision of adequate sewer service, as defined. The bill would also authorize the state board to order a designated sewer system to accept those services, including full management and control of all aspects of the designated sewer system, from an administrator. The bill would define “designated sewer system” for these purposes as a sewer system that serves a disadvantaged community and that the state board finds to be either an inadequate sewage treatment system or a sewer system that has demonstrated difficulty in maintaining technical, managerial, and financial capacity to prevent fraud and mismanagement, or a sewer system that voluntarily accepts financial assistance for the provision of adequate sewer service. The bill would require the state board to take specified actions before determining that a sewer service provider is a designated sewer system, including providing the sewer service provider an opportunity to show that it has taken steps to timely address its failure to provide adequate sewer service, conducting a public meeting, and providing an opportunity for public comment. The bill would authorize the state board to grant specified authority over the designated sewer system to the administrator, including the authority to expend money for various purposes and to set and collect sewer rates and fees, subject to approval by the state board. The bill would require the state board to work with the administrator and the communities served by the designated sewer system to develop, within the shortest practicable time, adequate technical,

managerial, and financial capacity to deliver adequate sewer service so that the services of the administrator are no longer necessary.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[AB 817](#) ([Pacheco D](#)) **Open meetings: teleconferencing: subsidiary body. (Amended: 1/17/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#).)**

Status: 1/25/2024-Read third time. Passed. Ordered to the Senate. (Ayes 54. Noes 8.) In Senate. Read first time. To Com. on RLS. for assignment.

Location: 1/25/2024-S. RLS.

Summary: Existing law, the Ralph M. Brown Act, requires, with specified exceptions, each legislative body of a local agency to provide notice of the time and place for its regular meetings and an agenda containing a brief general description of each item of business to be transacted. The act also requires that all meetings of a legislative body be open and public, and that all persons be permitted to attend unless a closed session is authorized. The act generally requires for teleconferencing that the legislative body of a local agency that elects to use teleconferencing post agendas at all teleconference locations, identify each teleconference location in the notice and agenda of the meeting or proceeding, and have each teleconference location be accessible to the public. Existing law also requires that, during the teleconference, at least a quorum of the members of the legislative body participate from locations within the boundaries of the territory over which the local agency exercises jurisdiction. Existing law authorizes the legislative body of a local agency to use alternate teleconferencing provisions during a proclaimed state of emergency (emergency provisions) and, until January 1, 2026, in certain circumstances related to the particular member if at least a quorum of its members participate from a singular physical location that is open to the public and situated within the agency's jurisdiction and other requirements are met (nonemergency provisions). Existing law imposes different requirements for notice, agenda, and public participation, as prescribed, when a legislative body is using alternate teleconferencing provisions. The nonemergency provisions impose restrictions on remote participation by a member of the legislative body and require the legislative body to specific means by which the public may remotely hear and visually observe the meeting. This bill, until January 1, 2026, would authorize a subsidiary body, as defined, to use similar alternative teleconferencing provisions and would impose requirements for notice, agenda, and public participation, as prescribed. In order to use teleconferencing pursuant to this act, the bill would require the legislative body that established the subsidiary body by charter, ordinance, resolution, or other formal action to make specified findings by majority vote, before the subsidiary body uses teleconferencing for the first time and every 12 months thereafter. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[AB 828](#) ([Connolly D](#)) **Sustainable groundwater management: managed wetlands. (Amended: 1/11/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#).)**

Status: 1/29/2024-Read third time. Passed. Ordered to the Senate. (Ayes 47. Noes 15.) In Senate. Read first time. To Com. on RLS. for assignment.

Location: 1/29/2024-S. RLS.

Summary: Existing law, the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act, requires all groundwater basins designated as high- or medium-priority basins by the Department of Water Resources to be managed under a groundwater sustainability plan or coordinated groundwater sustainability plans, except as specified. Existing law defines various terms for purposes of the act. This bill would add various defined terms for purposes of the act, including the terms “managed wetland” and “small community water system.” This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[AB 830](#) (Soria D) Lake and streambed alteration agreements: exemptions. (Amended: 6/27/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#).)

Status: 9/1/2023-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(11). (Last location was APPR. SUSPENSE FILE on 8/21/2023)(May be acted upon Jan 2024)

Location: 9/1/2023-S. 2 YEAR

Summary: Existing law prohibits a person, a state or local governmental agency, or a public utility from substantially diverting or obstructing the natural flow of, or substantially changing or using any material from the bed, channel, or bank of, any river, stream, or lake, or depositing or disposing of debris, waste, or other material containing crumbled, flaked, or ground pavement where it may pass into any river, stream, or lake, unless prescribed requirements are met, including written notification to the Department of Fish and Wildlife regarding the activity. Existing law requires the department to determine whether the activity may substantially adversely affect an existing fish and wildlife resource and, if so, to provide a draft lake or streambed alteration agreement to the person, agency, or utility. Existing law prescribes various requirements for lake and streambed alteration agreements. Existing law also establishes various exemptions from these provisions, including exemptions for specified emergency work. This bill would additionally exempt from these provisions the temporary operation of existing infrastructure or temporary pumps being used to divert flood stage flows, as identified by the California Nevada River Forecast Center or the State Water Resources Control Board, or near-flood stage flows, as defined, to groundwater recharge as long as certain conditions are met. This bill contains other related provisions.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[AB 837](#) (Alvarez D) Surplus land: exempt surplus land: sectional planning area. (Amended: 5/1/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#).)

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

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

Summary: Existing law prescribes requirements for the disposal of surplus land by a local agency. Existing law defines terms for these purposes, including, among others, “surplus land” to mean land owned in fee simple by any local agency for which the local agency’s governing body takes formal action in a regular public meeting declaring that the land is surplus and is not necessary for the agency’s use. Existing law defines “exempt surplus land” to mean, among other things, surplus land

that a local agency is exchanging for another property necessary for the agency's use and surplus land that a local agency is transferring to another local, state, or federal agency for the agency's use. Existing law provides that an agency is not required to follow the requirements for disposal of surplus land for "exempt surplus land," except as provided. This bill would provide, until January 1, 2024, that land that is subject to a sectional planning area, as described, is not subject to the above-described requirements for the disposal of surplus land if specified conditions are met. The bill would, commencing April 1, 2025, and annually thereafter, require a local agency that disposes of land pursuant to these provisions submit a specified report to the Department of Housing and Community Development. The bill would make a local agency that disposes of land in violation of these provisions liable for a civil penalty, as specified. This bill contains other related provisions.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[AB 990](#) (Grayson D) Water quality: waste discharge requirements: infill housing projects. (

Amended: 1/25/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#).)

Status: 1/29/2024-Read third time. Passed. Ordered to the Senate. (Ayes 75. Noes 0.) In Senate. Read first time. To Com. on RLS. for assignment.

Location: 1/29/2024-S. RLS.

Summary: The Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act (act) designates the State Water Resources Control Board and the California regional water quality control boards as the principal state agencies with authority over matters relating to water quality. The act requires the state board and the regional boards to, among other things, coordinate their respective activities to achieve a unified and effective water quality control program in the state. Under existing law, the state board and the 9 California regional water quality control boards regulate water quality and prescribe waste discharge requirements in accordance with the federal National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit program established by the federal Clean Water Act and the act. This bill would require the regional water board, defined to mean the regional water board with geographic boundaries for the San Francisco Bay region, to, by July 1, 2025, initiate modifications to its waste discharge requirements, as specified. The bill would require these modifications to be completed within 6 months of initiation. Before finalizing the modifications, the bill would require the regional water board to make specified findings, including, among other things, that concerns regarding the potential impacts of the draft NPDES permit requirements on the development of housing on infill sites have been adequately addressed. The bill would make these provisions inoperative on July 1, 2028, and would repeal them on January 1, 2029. This bill contains other related provisions.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[AB 1024](#) (Aguir-Curry D) Water rights: small irrigation use: lake or streambed alteration agreements. (Amended: 5/18/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#).)

Status: 9/1/2023-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(11). (Last location was APPR. SUSPENSE FILE on 8/21/2023)(May be acted upon Jan 2024)

Location: 9/1/2023-S. 2 YEAR

Summary: Existing law, the Water Rights Permitting Reform Act of 1988, authorizes a person to

obtain a right to appropriate water for a small domestic use, small irrigation use, or livestock stockpond use upon first registering the use, as those uses are defined by the act, with the State Water Resources Control Board and thereafter applying the water to reasonable and beneficial use with due diligence. The act requires the registration of water use to be made upon a form prescribed by the board that requires, among other things, a certification that the registrant has contacted a representative of the Department of Fish and Wildlife and has agreed to comply with conditions set forth by the department. The act requires the board to establish reasonable general conditions to which all appropriations made pursuant to the act are required to be subject, including, among other things, that all conditions lawfully required by the department are conditions upon the appropriations. The act provides that the board is not required to adopt general conditions for small irrigation use until the board determines that funds are available for that purpose, and that a registration for small irrigation use pursuant to the act is not authorized until the board establishes general conditions for small irrigation use to protect instream beneficial uses, as specified. This bill would require the board to give priority to adopting, on or before June 30, 2027, except as provided, general conditions that permit specified registrants to store water for small irrigation use during times of high streamflow in exchange for those registrants reducing diversions during periods of low streamflow, as specified. The bill would require that the actions of the board under these provisions be deemed an action taken for the protection of the environment for purposes of specified California Environmental Quality Act guidelines, if those actions do not result in the relaxation of streamflow standards. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

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

Amended: 7/13/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#).)

Status: 9/14/2023-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(14). (Last location was INACTIVE FILE on 9/11/2023)(May be acted upon Jan 2024)

Location: 9/14/2023-S. 2 YEAR

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

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

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

Status: 7/14/2023-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(10). (Last location was E.Q. on

5/10/2023)(May be acted upon Jan 2024)

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

Summary: Existing law, the Safe Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Law of 1997, administered by the State Water Resources Control Board, establishes the Safe Drinking Water State Revolving Fund to provide grants or revolving fund loans for the design and construction of projects for public water systems that will enable those systems to meet safe drinking water standards. Existing law requires the board, at least once every 2 years, to post information on its internet website regarding implementation of the Safe Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Law and expenditures from the Safe Drinking Water State Revolving Fund, as specified. This bill would require the board to post the information at least annually.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[AB 1272](#) ([Wood D](#)) **State Water Resources Control Board: drought planning.** (Enrollment: 9/12/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 9/14/2023-Withdrawn from Engrossing and Enrolling. Ordered to the Senate. In Senate. Held at Desk.

Location: 9/14/2023-S. DESK

Summary: Existing law establishes the State Water Resources Control Board and the California regional water quality control boards. Existing law requires the state board to formulate and adopt state policy for water quality control. The bill would require the state board, in consultation with the Department of Fish and Wildlife, to adopt principles and guidelines for diversion and use of water in coastal watersheds, as specified, during times of water shortage for drought preparedness and climate resiliency. The bill would require that the principles and guidelines allow for the development of locally generated watershed-level plans to support public trust uses, public health and safety, and the human right to water in times of water shortage, among other things. The bill also would require the state board, prior to adopting those principles and guidelines, to allow for public comment and hearing, as provided. The bill would make the implementation of these provisions contingent upon an appropriation of funds by the Legislature for this purpose. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[AB 1284](#) ([Ramos D](#)) **Tribal ancestral lands and waters: cogovernance and comanagement agreements.** (Amended: 1/22/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 1/29/2024-Read third time. Passed. Ordered to the Senate. (Ayes 77. Noes 0.) In Senate. Read first time. To Com. on RLS. for assignment.

Location: 1/29/2024-S. RLS.

Summary: Existing law governs various interactions between the state and federally recognized Native American tribes within the state. Existing law encourages and authorizes all state agencies, as defined, to cooperate with federally recognized California Indian tribes on matters of economic

development and improvement for the tribes. Existing law provides that the Legislature encourages the State of California and its agencies to consult on a government-to-government basis with federally recognized tribes and to consult with nonfederally recognized tribes and tribal organizations, as appropriate, in order to allow tribal officials the opportunity to provide meaningful and timely input in the development of policies, processes, programs, and projects that have tribal implications. Existing law provides that the Legislature encourages the state and its agencies to consult with a federally recognized tribe, at the tribe's request for a government-to-government consultation on a specified agency action, within 60 days of the request. This bill would provide that the Legislature encourages the Natural Resources Agency, and its departments, conservancies, and commissions, to enter into cogovernance and comanagement agreements with federally recognized tribes. The bill would authorize the Secretary of the Natural Resources Agency or a delegate to enter into agreements with federally recognized tribes for the purposes of shared responsibility, decisionmaking, and partnership in resource management and conservation within a tribe's ancestral lands and waters, and would require the secretary or a delegate to be the signatory for the state for these agreements. The bill would authorize the secretary or a delegate, within 90 days of a federally recognized tribe's request, to begin government-to-government negotiations on cogovernance and comanagement agreements with the tribe. This bill contains other existing laws.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

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

Amended: 5/18/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#).)

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

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

Summary: Under existing law, the diversion or use of water other than as authorized by specified provisions of law is a trespass, subject to specified civil liability. This bill would expand the instances when the diversion or use of water is considered a trespass. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

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

[AB 1348](#) ([Grayson D](#)) State government: Controller: claims audits. (Amended: 5/18/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#).)

Status: 9/1/2023-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(11). (Last location was APPR. SUSPENSE FILE on 8/21/2023)(May be acted upon Jan 2024)

Location: 9/1/2023-S. 2 YEAR

Summary: Existing law, the Government Claims Act, generally requires the presentation of all claims for money or damages against local public entities and the state. Existing law provides for the presentation of a claim for which appropriations have been made, or for which state funds are available, under that act to the Controller, in the form and manner prescribed by the general rules and regulations adopted by the Department of General Services. Existing law, with specified exceptions, prohibits the Controller from drawing a warrant for any claim until it has been audited in conformity with law and the general rules and regulations adopted by the Department of General Services

governing the presentation and audit of claims. This bill would authorize the Controller to conduct, unless prohibited by the provisions of a state ballot proposition passed by the electorate, financial and compliance audits as the Controller’s office deems as necessary for purposes of ensuring that any expenditures, regardless of the source or fund from which the warrants for claims are drawn, are expended in a manner consistent with the law and the voters’ intent. The bill would also authorize the Controller to conduct any audits necessary to carry out their constitutional and statutory duties and responsibilities under the law. The bill would require, if an audit is conducted as specified, the Controller to provide a report with specified information from these audits to the Legislature by June 30 following the completion of the audit and would require the Controller to allow all auditees in the report a reasonable period of time to review and comment on the section of the report relating to the auditee, as described. The bill would make related legislative findings and declarations.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[AB 1563](#) (Bennett D) Groundwater sustainability agency: groundwater extraction permit: verification. (Amended: 6/28/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

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

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

Summary: Existing law, the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act, requires all groundwater basins designated as high- or medium-priority basins by the Department of Water Resources to be managed under a groundwater sustainability plan or coordinated groundwater sustainability plans, except as specified. Existing law authorizes any local agency or combination of local agencies overlying a groundwater basin to decide to become a groundwater sustainability agency for that basin and imposes specified duties upon that agency or combination of agencies, as provided. Existing law authorizes a groundwater sustainability agency to request of the county, and requires a county to consider, that the county forward permit requests for the construction of new groundwater wells, the enlarging of existing groundwater wells, and the reactivation of abandoned groundwater wells to the agency before permit approval. This bill would instead require a county to forward permit requests for the construction of new groundwater wells, the enlarging of existing groundwater wells, and the reactivation of abandoned groundwater wells to the groundwater sustainability agency before permit approval. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

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

[AB 1567](#) (Garcia D) Safe Drinking Water, Wildfire Prevention, Drought Preparation, Flood Protection, Extreme Heat Mitigation, Clean Energy, and Workforce Development Bond Act of 2024. (Amended: 5/26/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

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

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

Summary: The California Drought, Water, Parks, Climate, Coastal Protection, and Outdoor Access For All Act of 2018, approved by the voters as Proposition 68 at the June 5, 2018, statewide primary election, authorizes the issuance of bonds in the amount of \$4,100,000,000 pursuant to the State

General Obligation Bond Law to finance a drought, water, parks, climate, coastal protection, and outdoor access for all program. Article XVI of the California Constitution requires measures authorizing general obligation bonds to specify the single object or work to be funded by the bonds and further requires a bond act to be approved by a 2/3 vote of each house of the Legislature and a majority of the voters. This bill would enact the Safe Drinking Water, Wildfire Prevention, Drought Preparation, Flood Protection, Extreme Heat Mitigation, Clean Energy, and Workforce Development Bond Act of 2024, which, if approved by the voters, would authorize the issuance of bonds in the amount of \$15,995,000,000 pursuant to the State General Obligation Bond Law to finance projects for safe drinking water, wildfire prevention, drought preparation, flood protection, extreme heat mitigation, clean energy, and workforce development programs. This bill contains other related provisions.

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

[AB 1573](#) (Friedman D) Water conservation: landscape design: model ordinance. (

Amended: 9/1/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#).)

Status: 9/14/2023-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(14). (Last location was INACTIVE FILE on 9/7/2023)(May be acted upon Jan 2024)

Location: 9/14/2023-S. 2 YEAR

Summary: The Water Conservation in Landscaping Act provides for a Model Water Efficient Landscape Ordinance that is adopted and updated at least every 3 years by the Department of Water Resources, unless the department makes a specified finding. Existing law requires a local agency to adopt the model ordinance or to adopt a water efficient landscape ordinance that is at least as effective in conserving water as the updated model ordinance, except as specified. Existing law specifies the provisions of the updated model ordinance, as provided. Existing law includes a related statement of legislative findings and declarations. This bill would require the updated model ordinance to include provisions that require that plants included in a landscape design plan be selected based on their adaptability to climatic, geological, and topographical conditions of the project site, as specified. The bill would also exempt landscaping that is part of a culturally specific project, as defined, ecological restoration projects that do not require a permanent irrigation system, mined-land reclamation projects that do not require a permanent irrigation system, and existing plant collections, as part of botanical gardens and arboretums open to the public, from the model ordinance. The bill would require the updated model ordinance to include provisions that, among other changes, prohibit the use of traditional overhead sprinklers on all new and rehabilitated landscapes and require that new and rehabilitated landscapes use only water efficient irrigation devices. The bill would also require the model ordinance, at the next update initiated after January 1, 2029, to require that all new or renovated nonresidential areas install in the project footprint not less than 10% California native plants, as provided, and to prohibit the inclusion of nonfunctional turf in nonresidential landscape projects. The bill would make other clarifying changes to the updated model ordinance. The bill would also revise the legislative findings and declarations to state, among other things, that the model ordinance furthers the state’s goal to conserve biodiversity and provide for climate resilience consistent with state drought efforts to eliminate the use of irrigation of nonfunctional turf. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[AB 1581](#) (Kalra D) Diversion or obstruction of rivers, streams, or lakes: lake or streambed alteration agreement. (Amended: 4/7/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

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

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

Summary: Existing law prohibits an entity from substantially diverting or obstructing the natural flow of, or substantially changing or using any material from the bed, channel, or bank of, any river, stream, or lake, or from depositing certain material where it may pass into any river, stream, or lake, unless the Department of Fish and Wildlife receives written notification regarding the activity, the department determines the notification is complete, the entity pays the applicable fees, and the department or a panel of arbitrators issues a lake or streambed alteration agreement or the department informs the entity that it may commence the activity without an agreement, except as provided. Under existing law, it is unlawful for any entity to violate the above-mentioned provision, and an entity that violates that provision is also subject to a civil penalty of not more than \$25,000 for each violation. This bill would exempt certain individuals, public agencies, universities, zoological gardens, and scientific or educational institutions authorized to import, export, take, or possess any endangered species, threatened species, or candidate species for scientific, educational, or management purposes from the requirement to obtain an agreement with the department, as specified. The bill would instead require these entities to submit to the department a written notification, fee, and, if applicable, a copy of proposed environmental protection measures authorized by other agencies' programmatic habitat restoration permits, as specified. The bill would require the department to notify the entity in writing whether the exemption applies within 60 days from the date that the notification is complete and the fee has been paid. Because a violation of this provision would be a crime, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[AB 1597](#) (Alvarez D) Water quality: California-Mexico cross-border rivers. (Amended: 6/22/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

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

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

Summary: Existing law establishes the California Border Environmental and Public Health Protection Fund in the State Treasury to receive funds appropriated in the annual Budget Act, including, but not limited to, proceeds of bonds sold as specified, and other sources, such as from the North American Development Bank (NADBank), and makes money in the fund available, upon appropriation, to the California-Mexico Border Relations Council, a state entity. Money in the fund is used to assist local governments in implementation of projects to identify and resolve environmental and public health problems that directly threaten the health or environmental quality of California residents or sensitive natural resources of the California border region, among other purposes. This bill would authorize, upon appropriation by the Legislature in the annual Budget Act or another statute, funds to be made available to the NADBank for loans, grants, and direct expenditures to address water quality problems arising in the California-Mexico cross-border rivers. The bill would

require the funding to be available for specified purposes, as provided, including water quality projects for the Tijuana River, and would make 10% of the funding available for the administrative costs of implementing these provisions. The bill would authorize funding provided for activities or projects in the State of Baja California to be provided through direct expenditures and for grants to an eligible funding recipient authorized to work in Mexico under a specified circumstance. The bill would authorize grant funding to be conditioned on enforceability and accountability mechanisms agreed upon by the North American Development Bank and the recipient, with the concurrence of the State Water Resources Control Board. The bill would require the California Environmental Protection Agency to notify the leadership office in each house of the Legislature on cross-border collaboration and the expenditure of the funding, as provided. This bill contains other related provisions.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[AB 1798](#) (Papan D) Department of Transportation: contaminated stormwater runoff: salmon and steelhead trout bearing surface waters. (Introduced: 1/8/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 1/22/2024-Referred to Coms. on TRANS. and E.S. & T.M.

Location: 1/22/2024-A. TRANS.

Summary: Existing law vests the Department of Transportation with full possession and control of all state highways. This bill would require the department, in consultation with the State Water Resources Control Board, the Department of Toxic Substances Control, and the Department of Fish and Wildlife, to develop a programmatic environmental review process to prevent 6PPD and 6PPD-quinone from entering salmon and steelhead trout bearing surface waters of the state. The bill would require the department’s 6PPD and 6PPD-quinone programmatic environmental review process to include a pilot project at an unspecified location to study the effectiveness and cost effectiveness of installing and maintaining bioretention and biofiltration comparatively along department rights-of-way to eliminate the discharge of 6PPD and 6PPD-quinone into surface waters of the state, as specified.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[AB 1827](#) (Papan D) Local government: fees and charges: water: higher-consumptive water parcels. (Introduced: 1/12/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 1/29/2024-Referred to Com. on L. GOV.

Location: 1/29/2024-A. L. GOV.

Summary: The California Constitution specifies various requirements with respect to the levying of assessments and property-related fees and charges by a local agency, including requiring that the local agency provide public notice and a majority protest procedure in the case of assessments and submit property-related fees and charges for approval by property owners subject to the fee or charge or the electorate residing in the affected area following a public hearing. This bill would provide that the fees or charges for property-related water service imposed or increased, as specified, may include the incrementally higher costs of water service due to specified factors, including the higher water usage demand of parcels. The bill would provide that the costs associated

with higher water usage demands, the maximum potential water use, or a projected peak water usage demand may be allocated using any method that reasonably assesses the water service provider's cost of serving those parcels that are increasing potential water usage demand, maximum potential water use, or project peak water use demand. The bill would declare that these provisions are declaratory of existing law. This bill contains other existing laws.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[AB 1828](#) ([Waldron R](#)) **Personal income taxes: voluntary contributions: Endangered and Rare Fish, Wildlife, and Plant Species Conservation and Enhancement Account: Native California Wildlife Rehabilitation Voluntary Tax Contribution Fund: covered grants. (**

Introduced: 1/12/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 1/29/2024-Referred to Com. on REV. & TAX.

Location: 1/29/2024-A. REV. & TAX

Summary: Existing law, until January 1, 2025, allows an individual taxpayer to contribute amounts in excess of the taxpayer's personal income tax liability for the support of specified funds and accounts, including, among others, to the Endangered and Rare Fish, Wildlife, and Plant Species Conservation and Enhancement Account, a continuously appropriated account established in the Fish and Game Preservation Fund, or until December 1 of a calendar year that the Franchise Tax Board determines the amount of contributions estimated to be received will not at least equal the minimum contribution amount of \$250,000. This bill would extend the operability of the taxpayer contribution described above until the sooner of January 1, 2032, or until December 1 of a calendar year that the Franchise Tax Board determines the amount of contributions estimated to be received will not at least equal the minimum contribution amount of \$250,000, as provided. By extending the operation of a continuously appropriated account, the bill would make an appropriation. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[AB 1851](#) ([Holden D](#)) **Drinking water: schoolsites: lead testing pilot program. (Introduced: 1/17/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#).)**

Status: 1/29/2024-Referred to Coms. on E.S. & T.M. and ED.

Location: 1/29/2024-A. E.S. & T.M.

Summary: Existing law, the California Safe Drinking Water Act, requires the State Water Resources Control Board to administer provisions relating to the regulation of drinking water to protect public health. The act requires the state board to establish a grant program, in consultation with the State Department of Education, to award grants to local educational agencies for the purposes of improving access to, and the quality of, drinking water in public schools serving kindergarten or any of grades 1 to 12, inclusive, and preschools and child daycare facilities located on public school property. This bill would require the Superintendent of Public Instruction to contract with a nonprofit technical assistance organization, for purposes of a pilot program applicable to unspecified school districts, to sample all potable water system outlets on the campuses of the school district for lead contamination, except as provided, and to identify and remediate any potable

water system outlet emitting water containing lead levels in excess of 5 parts per billion. The bill would require the nonprofit technical assistance organization, if sampling results show lead levels in excess of 5 parts per billion for any potable water system outlet, to take immediate steps to shut down all potable water system outlets where excess lead levels may exist and to work to ensure that a lead-free source of drinking water is provided for pupils at each potable water system outlet that has been shut down. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[AB 1881](#) ([Davies R](#)) California Coastal Commission: membership. (Introduced: 1/22/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 2/5/2024-Referred to Com. on NAT. RES.

Location: 2/5/2024-A. NAT. RES.

Summary: The California Coastal Act of 1976 establishes the California Coastal Commission and prescribes the membership, functions, and duties of the commission with regard to the administration and implementation of the act. The act requires the Governor to appoint specified members of the public to the commission. The act requires one of the representatives appointed by the Governor to reside in, and work directly with, communities in the state that are disproportionately burdened by, and vulnerable to, high levels of pollution and issues of environmental justice, including, but not limited to, communities with diverse racial and ethnic populations and communities with low-income populations. This bill would instead require that representative appointed by the Governor to either have the qualification described above or have a professional background in geology, environmental engineering, or carpentry or building and construction trades.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[AB 1998](#) ([Mathis R](#)) California Environmental Quality Act: Department of Fish and Wildlife: review of environmental documents: revenue and cost tracking and accounting. (

Introduced: 1/30/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 1/31/2024-From printer. May be heard in committee March 1.

Location: 1/30/2024-A. PRINT

Summary: The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) requires a lead agency, as defined, to prepare, or cause to be prepared, and certify the completion of an environmental impact report on a project that it proposes to carry out or approve that may have a significant effect on the environment or to adopt a negative declaration if it finds that the project will not have that effect. CEQA also requires a lead agency to prepare a mitigated negative declaration for a project that may have a significant effect on the environment if revisions in the project would avoid or mitigate that effect and there is no substantial evidence that the project, as revised, would have a significant effect on the environment. CEQA requires the lead agency to consult with a public agency that is a responsible agency or a trustee agency during the environmental review process. Existing law authorizes the Department of Fish and Wildlife to impose and collect filing fees in specified amounts to defray the costs of managing and protecting fish and wildlife trust resources, including, but not limited to, consulting with other public agencies, reviewing environmental documents, recommending mitigation measures, developing monitoring requirements for purposes of CEQA, and other

activities protecting those trust resources identified in a review pursuant to CEQA. This bill would require the department to separately track and account for all revenues collected under the above filing fee provision and all costs incurred in its role as a responsible agency or trustee agency under CEQA. This bill contains other existing laws.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

AB 2000 (**Mathis R**) **State Water Project: permit and license conditions.** (Introduced: 1/30/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 1/31/2024-From printer. May be heard in committee March 1.

Location: 1/30/2024-A. PRINT

Summary: Under existing law, the Department of Water Resources operates the State Water Project, which includes state water facilities, as defined. Under existing law, the State Water Resources Control Board administers a water rights program pursuant to which the state board grants permits and licenses to appropriate water. Existing law requires the director of the department, in collaboration with the Secretary of the Interior, to prepare a plan, on or before January 1, 2006, to meet the existing permit and license conditions for which the department has an obligation, and to submit copies of the plan to the state board and the California Bay-Delta Authority prior to increasing the existing permitted diversion rate at the State Water Project's Harvey O. Banks Pumping Plant. This bill would make a nonsubstantive change to the latter provision.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

AB 2079 (**Bennett D**) **Sustainable Groundwater Management Act: groundwater basins.** (Introduced: 2/5/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 2/6/2024-From printer. May be heard in committee March 7.

Location: 2/5/2024-A. PRINT

Summary: Existing law, the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act, authorizes the State Water Resources Control Board to designate a groundwater basin as a probationary basin if the state board makes a certain determination and to develop an interim plan for the probationary basin. The act requires that a local agency or groundwater sustainability agency have 180 days to remedy the deficiency if the board designates the basin as a probationary basin. This bill would make nonsubstantive changes to the latter provision.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

AB 2171 (**Bennett D**) **Water: Department of Water Resources.** (Introduced: 2/7/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 2/7/2024-Read first time. To print.

Location: 2/7/2024-A. PRINT

Summary: Existing law establishes in the Natural Resources Agency the Department of Water Resources, which is under the control of the Director of Water Resources. Existing law provides for the appointment of the director by the Governor, subject to confirmation by the Senate. This bill would make nonsubstantive changes to that provision.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[AB 2172](#) ([Wallis R](#)) **Irrigation districts: water distribution.** (Introduced: 2/7/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 2/7/2024-Read first time. To print.

Location: 2/7/2024-A. PRINT

Summary: Existing law, the Irrigation District Law, requires all water distributed by districts for irrigation purposes, except as provided, to be apportioned ratably to each landowner upon the basis of a specified ratio. The law also authorizes the landowner to assign for use within the district the right to the whole or any portion of the water apportioned to that landowner. This bill would make nonsubstantive changes to that authorization.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[AB 2214](#) ([Bauer-Kahan D](#)) **Resource conservation districts.** (Introduced: 2/7/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 2/7/2024-Read first time. To print.

Location: 2/7/2024-A. PRINT

Summary: Existing law authorizes the formation of resource conservation districts for the control of runoff, the prevention or control of soil erosion, the development and distribution of water, and the improvement of land capabilities. Existing law authorizes a resource conservation district to, among other things, facilitate coordinated resource management efforts for watershed restoration and enhancement, but prohibits a district from conserving water for power purposes and from producing or distributing power for its own use or for the use of others. This bill would make nonsubstantive changes to the latter provision.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

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

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

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

Summary: Existing provisions of the California Constitution require the specified use of General Fund revenues, as described. This measure would establish the Water and Wildfire Resiliency Fund

within the State Treasury, and would require the Treasurer to annually transfer an amount equal to 3% of all state revenues that may be appropriated as described from the General Fund to the Water and Wildfire Resiliency Fund. The measure would require the moneys in the fund to be appropriated by the Legislature and would require that 50% of the moneys in the fund be used for water projects, as specified, and that the other 50% of the moneys in the fund be used for forest maintenance and health projects, as specified.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[ACA 16](#) (Bryan D) Environmental rights. (Introduced: 1/25/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 1/26/2024-From printer. May be heard in committee February 25.

Location: 1/25/2024-A. PRINT

Summary: The California Constitution declares various inalienable rights of the people, including the right to enjoy and defend life and liberty, acquire, possess, and protect property, and pursue and obtain safety, happiness, and privacy. This measure would amend the California Constitution to declare that the people have a right to clean air and water and a healthy environment.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[SB 100](#) (Skinner D) Budget Acts of 2021 and 2022. (Amended: 5/1/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 5/8/2023-Re-referred to Com. on BUDGET pursuant to Assembly Rule 97.

Location: 5/8/2023-A. BUDGET

Summary: The Budget Act of 2021 and Budget Act of 2022 made appropriations for the support of state government for the 2021–22 and 2022–23 fiscal years. This bill would amend the Budget Act of 2021 and Budget Act of 2022 by amending and adding items of appropriation and making other changes. This bill contains other related provisions.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

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

Amended: 7/12/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#).)

Status: 9/1/2023-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(11). (Last location was APPR. SUSPENSE FILE on 8/23/2023)(May be acted upon Jan 2024)

Location: 9/1/2023-A. 2 YEAR

Summary: Existing law requires the Department of Water Resources to gather and correlate information and data pertinent to an annual forecast of seasonal water crop. Existing law also requires the department to update every 5 years the plan for the orderly and coordinated control, protection, conservation, development, and use of the water resources of the state, which is known

as “The California Water Plan.” This bill would require the department, on or before December 31, 2025, to establish a formal process for annually evaluating and improving the accuracy of its water supply forecasts, adopt a new water supply forecasting model that better addresses the effects of climate change, and implement a formal policy and procedures for documenting its operational plans for the state’s water supply and its rationale for its operating procedures. The bill would require the department, by December 1, 2024, to prepare, and submit to the Legislature, a report on its progress toward meeting these requirements. This bill contains other related provisions.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[SB 233](#) (Skinner D) Battery electric vehicles and electric vehicle supply equipment: bidirectional capability. (Amended: 9/1/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 9/14/2023-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(14). (Last location was INACTIVE FILE on 9/13/2023)(May be acted upon Jan 2024)

Location: 9/14/2023-A. 2 YEAR

Summary: Existing law requires the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission (Energy Commission) to undertake various actions in furtherance of meeting the state’s clean energy and pollution reduction objectives, including actions related to electric vehicles. Existing law requires the Energy Commission, working with the State Air Resources Board (state board) and the Public Utilities Commission (PUC), to prepare a statewide assessment of the electric vehicle charging infrastructure needed to support the levels of electric vehicle adoption required for the state to meet its goals of putting at least 5,000,000 zero-emission vehicles on California roads by 2030, and of reducing the emissions of greenhouse gases to 40% below 1990 levels by 2030. Existing law requires the state board, in conjunction with the Energy Commission, to develop and administer a program to provide grants to individuals, local governments, public agencies, nonprofit organizations, and private businesses to encourage the purchase or lease of a new zero-emission vehicle. This bill would require the Energy Commission, in consultation with the state board and the PUC, on or before June 30, 2024, to convene a stakeholder workgroup to examine challenges and opportunities associated with using a battery electric vehicle and bidirectional electric vehicle service equipment as a mobile battery to power a home or building or to provide electricity to the electrical grid, and require the Energy Commission, in consultation with the stakeholder workgroup, on or before January 1, 2026, to submit a report to the Governor and Legislature that includes, among other things, specified information related to the bidirectional capability of battery electric vehicles and electric vehicle service equipment, as specified. This bill contains other related provisions.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[SB 251](#) (Newman D) Candidates’ statements: false statements. (Amended: 1/3/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 1/16/2024-Read third time. Passed. (Ayes 36. Noes 0.) Ordered to the Assembly. In Assembly. Read first time. Held at Desk.

Location: 1/16/2024-A. DESK

Summary: Existing law permits a candidate for nonpartisan elective office, and an officer whose

recall is being sought, to file with the elections official a candidate’s statement that includes a brief description of the candidate’s education and qualifications. Existing law requires an elections official to include in the county voter information guide a candidate’s statement from a candidate for nonpartisan elective office and from an officer whose recall is being sought. Existing law prohibits a candidate for nonpartisan elective office, or an incumbent in a recall election, to knowingly make a false statement of material fact in the candidate’s statement with the intent to mislead the voters in connection with the candidate’s campaign for nomination or election to an office. Violation of this prohibition is punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000. This bill would increase the maximum fine amount to \$5,000.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

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

Amended: 6/19/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#).)

Status: 9/1/2023-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(11). (Last location was APPR. on 7/10/2023)(May be acted upon Jan 2024)

Location: 9/1/2023-A. 2 YEAR

Summary: Existing law, the California Emergency Services Act, among other things, creates the Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES), which is responsible for the state’s emergency and disaster response services, as specified. Existing law requires Cal OES to establish the California Cybersecurity Integration Center (Cal-CSIC) with the primary mission of reducing the likelihood and severity of cyber incidents that could damage California’s economy, its critical infrastructure, or public and private sector computer networks in the state. Existing law requires Cal OES to direct Cal-CSIC to prepare, and Cal OES to submit to the Legislature on or before January 1, 2024, a strategic, multiyear outreach plan to assist the food and agriculture sector and wastewater sector in their efforts to improve cybersecurity and an evaluation of options for providing grants or alternative forms of funding to, and potential voluntary actions that do not require funding and that assist, those sectors in their efforts to improve security preparedness. This bill would require Cal OES to direct Cal-CSIC to prepare, and Cal OES to submit to the Legislature on or before January 1, 2025, a strategic, multiyear outreach plan to assist critical infrastructure sectors, as defined, in their efforts to improve cybersecurity and an evaluation of options for providing grants or alternative forms of funding to, and potential voluntary actions that do not require funding and that assist, that sector in their efforts to improve cybersecurity preparedness. The bill would make related findings and declarations.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

SB 328 (Dodd D) **Political Reform Act of 1974: contribution limits.** (Amended: 6/28/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#).)

Status: 9/1/2023-September 1 hearing: Held in committee and under submission.

Location: 8/23/2023-A. APPR. SUSPENSE FILE

Summary: The Political Reform Act of 1974 prohibits a person, other than a small contributor committee or political party committee, from making to a candidate for elective state, county, or city office, and prohibits those candidates from accepting from a person, a contribution totaling more

than \$3,000 per election, as that amount is adjusted by the Fair Political Practices Commission in January of every odd-numbered year to reflect changes in the Consumer Price Index. This bill would apply those contribution limits to candidates for school district, community college district, and other special district elections. The bill would make certain other provisions of the act relating to contribution limits applicable to candidates for district office. However, the bill would authorize school districts, community college districts, and other special districts to impose contribution limits on candidates for district office that differ from the limits imposed by the act, as provided. This bill would retain the existing provisions of law until January 1, 2025, and on that date would repeal the existing law and make operative the provisions of the bill described in this paragraph. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[SB 336](#) (Umberg D) State grant programs: negotiated indirect cost rates. (Amended: 9/1/2023 [html pdf](#))

Status: 9/14/2023-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(14). (Last location was INACTIVE FILE on 9/11/2023)(May be acted upon Jan 2024)

Location: 9/14/2023-A. 2 YEAR

Summary: Existing law establishes the Department of General Services in the Government Operations Agency for purposes of providing centralized services of state government. Existing law establishes various state grant programs. Existing federal law provides uniform administrative requirements, cost principles, and audit requirements for federal grant awards to nonfederal entities and provides guidelines for determining direct and indirect costs, as defined, charged to federal awards. This bill would require, unless prohibited by any other state or federal law, a state agency administering a grant program to reimburse, when awarding a grant, the grantee's indirect costs, as defined, at one of specified rates as requested by the grantee, as defined, if the grantee disclosed the requested rate amount in their grant program application. The bill would authorize establishment of indirect cost pools and would require distribution of the pools, as specified, if established. The bill would also authorize, unless prohibited by any other state or federal law, any applicant for a grant administered by a state agency to opt, when applying for the grant, to be reimbursed for its indirect costs at one of specified rates, if the applicant is selected as a grantee and if the applicant discloses the requested rate amount in their grant program application. The bill would make these provisions applicable to any grant program administered by a state agency, regardless of whether the funding source of the grant is state funds, federal funds, or a combination thereof.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[SB 366](#) (Caballero D) The California Water Plan: long-term supply targets. (Amended: 6/29/2023 [html pdf](#))

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

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

Summary: Existing law requires the Department of Water Resources to update every 5 years the

plan for the orderly and coordinated control, protection, conservation, development, and use of the water resources of the state, which is known as “The California Water Plan.” Existing law requires the department to include a discussion of various strategies in the plan update, including, but not limited to, strategies relating to the development of new water storage facilities, water conservation, water recycling, desalination, conjunctive use, water transfers, and alternative pricing policies that may be pursued in order to meet the future needs of the state. Existing law requires the department to establish an advisory committee to assist the department in updating the plan. This bill would revise and recast certain provisions regarding The California Water Plan to, among other things, require the department to instead establish a stakeholder advisory committee and to expand the membership of the committee to include tribes, labor, and environmental justice interests. The bill would require the department to coordinate with the California Water Commission, the State Water Resources Control Board, other state and federal agencies as appropriate, and the stakeholder advisory committee to develop a comprehensive plan for addressing the state’s water needs and meeting specified long-term water supply targets established by the bill for purposes of The California Water Plan. The bill would require the plan to provide recommendations and strategies to ensure enough water supply for all beneficial uses. The bill would require the plan to include specified components, including a discussion of various strategies that may be pursued in order to meet the water supply targets and an economic analysis. The bill would require the department to submit to the Legislature an annual report between updates to the plan that includes progress made toward meeting the water supply targets once established, as specified. The bill would also require the department to conduct public workshops to give interested parties an opportunity to comment on the plan and to post the preliminary draft of the plan on the department’s internet website.

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

[SB 414](#) (Allen D) Climate change: applications using hydrogen: assessment. (Amended: 5/18/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 9/1/2023-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(11). (Last location was APPR. SUSPENSE FILE on 8/16/2023)(May be acted upon Jan 2024)

Location: 9/1/2023-A. 2 YEAR

Summary: Existing law establishes as a policy of the state to achieve net zero greenhouse gas emissions as soon as possible, but no later than 2045, and to achieve and maintain net negative greenhouse gas emissions thereafter and to ensure that, by 2045, statewide anthropogenic greenhouse gas emissions are reduced at least 85% below the statewide greenhouse gas emissions levels in 1990. Existing law requires the State Air Resources Board, by June 1, 2024, to prepare and post an evaluation on its internet website related to the use of hydrogen in the state. This bill would, on or before December 31, 2025, require the State Air Resources Board, in consultation with the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission (Energy Commission) and the Public Utilities Commission (PUC), upon appropriation by the Legislature, to complete an assessment of the use of hydrogen in certain applications, as specified. The bill would require the assessment to incorporate the findings of, and not duplicate, the above-described evaluation. The bill would require the state board, the Energy Commission, and the PUC to consider the findings in the assessment in their plans, rulemakings, reports, or other process related to the planning, implementation, or regulation of hydrogen production, distribution, storage, or usage in the state.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
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SB 511 (Blakespear D) Greenhouse gas emissions inventories. (Amended: 4/24/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 9/1/2023-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(11). (Last location was APPR. SUSPENSE FILE on 8/23/2023)(May be acted upon Jan 2024)

Location: 9/1/2023-A. 2 YEAR

Summary: The California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006 designates the State Air Resources Board as the state agency responsible for monitoring and regulating sources emitting greenhouse gases. The act requires the state board to prepare and approve a scoping plan for achieving the maximum technologically feasible and cost-effective reductions in greenhouse gas emissions and to update the scoping plan at least once every 5 years. This bill would require the state board, before January 1, 2028, to develop, and publish on its internet website, a report on greenhouse gas emissions inventories for the calendar year 2025 for each city, county, or city and county that requests inclusion in the report, as provided. The bill would require the state board, consistent with the preparation of the updates to the scoping plan and before January 1, 2033, and every 5 years thereafter, to update the inventories, for each city, county, or city and county that requests inclusion in the respective update, for the calendar year 2030 and every 5th year thereafter. The bill would authorize the state board to solicit bids and enter into contracts for the development of the inventories. The bill would require the state board, before January 1, 2026, to establish a local government advisory committee to inform its development of the greenhouse gas emissions inventories. The bill would make available, upon appropriation by the Legislature, \$2,500,000 in the 2024–25 fiscal year for above-described purposes.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

SB 537 (Becker D) Open meetings: multijurisdictional, cross-county agencies: teleconferences. (Amended: 9/5/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 9/14/2023-Ordered to inactive file on request of Assembly Member Bryan.

Location: 9/14/2023-A. INACTIVE FILE

Summary: Existing law, the Ralph M. Brown Act, requires, with specified exceptions, that all meetings of a legislative body, as defined, of a local agency be open and public and that all persons be permitted to attend and participate. The act generally requires for teleconferencing that the legislative body of a local agency that elects to use teleconferencing post agendas at all teleconference locations, identify each teleconference location in the notice and agenda of the meeting or proceeding, and have each teleconference location be accessible to the public. Existing law also requires that, during the teleconference, at least a quorum of the members of the legislative body participate from locations within the boundaries of the territory over which the local agency exercises jurisdiction. The act provides an exemption to the jurisdictional requirement for health authorities, as defined. Existing law, until January 1, 2026, authorizes the legislative body of a local agency to use alternative teleconferencing in certain circumstances related to the particular member if at least a quorum of its members participate from a singular physical location that is open to the public and situated within the agency’s jurisdiction and other requirements are met, including restrictions on remote participation by a member of the legislative body. These circumstances include if a member shows “just cause,” including for a childcare or caregiving need of a relative that

requires the member to participate remotely. This bill would expand the circumstances of “just cause” to apply to the situation in which an immunocompromised child, parent, grandparent, or other specified relative requires the member to participate remotely. The bill would authorize the legislative body of a multijurisdictional, cross-county agency, as specified, to use alternate teleconferencing provisions if the eligible legislative body has adopted an authorizing resolution, as specified. The bill would also require the legislative body to provide a record of attendance of the members of the legislative body, the number of community members in attendance in the teleconference meeting, and the number of public comments on its internet website within 10 days after a teleconference meeting, as specified. The bill would require at least a quorum of members of the legislative body to participate from one or more physical locations that are open to the public and within the boundaries of the territory over which the local agency exercises jurisdiction. The bill would require a member who receives compensation for their service, as specified, on the legislative body to participate from a physical location that is open to the public. The bill would require the legislative body to identify in the agenda each member who plans to participate remotely and to include the address of the publicly accessible building from which each member will participate via teleconference. The bill would prohibit a member from participating remotely pursuant to these provisions unless the remote location is the member’s office or another location in a publicly accessible building and is more than 40 miles from the in-person location of the meeting. The bill would repeal these alternative teleconferencing provisions on January 1, 2026. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[SB 586](#) (Eggman D) Flood management: Mossdale Tract. (Amended: 9/1/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 1/30/2024-From inactive file. Ordered to third reading.

Location: 1/30/2024-A. THIRD READING

Calendar: 2/8/2024 #18 ASSEMBLY THIRD READING FILE - SENATE BILLS

Summary: Existing law provides that unless a city or county within the Sacramento-San Joaquin Valley makes certain findings after the effective date of specified amendments to its general plan and zoning ordinance, the Planning and Zoning Law prohibits a city or county from entering into a development agreement for property located in a flood hazard zone; approving a discretionary permit, ministerial permit, or other discretionary entitlement for a project that is located within a flood hazard zone, as specified; or approving a tentative map, or a parcel map for which a tentative map was not required, for a subdivision that is located within a flood hazard zone. Those findings include, among others, that the local flood management agency has made adequate progress on the construction of a flood protection system that will result in flood protection equal to or greater than the urban level of flood protection in urban or urbanizing areas. Existing law further requires urban and urbanizing areas protected by any levee that is part of the facilities of the State Plan of Flood Control to achieve the urban level of flood protection by 2025, with a specified exception to the deadline for the Mossdale Tract to achieve the urban level of flood protection by 2028. Existing law authorizes the Department of Water Resources to require the San Joaquin Area Flood Control Agency to contribute its fair and reasonable share of any property damage caused by a flood to the extent that the state’s exposure to liability for property damage has been increased by cities or counties unreasonably approving any new development in the Mossdale Tract between the years 2025 and 2028. This bill would extend the specified exception to the deadline for the Mossdale Tract to achieve the urban level of flood protection to 2030. The bill would also extend the Department of Water Resources’s authority to require the San Joaquin Area Flood Control Agency to contribute its

fair and reasonable share of property damage, as described above, to between the years 2025 and 2030. This bill would make legislative findings and declarations as to the necessity of a special statute for the Mossdale Tract. This bill contains other existing laws.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[SB 597](#) (**[Glazer D](#)**) **Building standards: rainwater catchment systems.** (Amended: 6/22/2023 [html pdf.](#))

Status: 9/1/2023-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(11). (Last location was APPR. SUSPENSE FILE on 7/12/2023)(May be acted upon Jan 2024)

Location: 9/1/2023-A. 2 YEAR

Summary: The California Building Standards Law requires a state agency that adopts or proposes adoption of a building standard to submit the building standard to the California Building Standards Commission for approval and adoption. Existing law makes the commission responsible for the publication of an updated edition of the California Building Standards Code every 3 years. This bill would require the department to conduct research and develop recommendations regarding building standards for the installation of rainwater catchment systems in newly constructed residential dwellings and would authorize the department to propose related building standards to the commission for consideration, as specified. The bill would authorize the department to expend moneys from the Building Standards Administration Special Revolving Fund for the above-described purposes, upon appropriation by the Legislature, as specified. The bill would require the department, on or before January 1, 2025, to provide a report to specified committees of the Legislature regarding the outcomes of its research and the recommendations developed. This bill contains other existing laws.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

[SB 638](#) (**[Eggman D](#)**) **Climate Resiliency and Flood Protection Bond Act of 2024.** (Amended: 6/28/2023 [html pdf.](#))

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

Location: 6/15/2023-A. W.,P. & W.

Summary: The California Drought, Water, Parks, Climate, Coastal Protection, and Outdoor Access For All Act of 2018, approved by the voters as Proposition 68 at the June 5, 2018, statewide primary direct election, authorizes the issuance of bonds in the amount of \$4,000,000,000 pursuant to the State General Obligation Bond Law to finance a drought, water, parks, climate, coastal protection, and outdoor access for all program. Article XVI of the California Constitution requires measures authorizing general obligation bonds to specify the single object or work to be funded by the bonds and further requires a bond act to be approved by a 2/3 vote of each house of the Legislature and a majority of the voters. This bill would enact the Climate Resiliency and Flood Protection Bond Act of 2024 which, if approved by the voters, would authorize the issuance of bonds in the amount of \$6,000,000,000 pursuant to the State General Obligation Bond Law, for flood protection and climate resiliency projects. This bill contains other related provisions.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

SB 651 (Grove R) California Environmental Quality Act: groundwater recharge projects: Judicial Council rules of court. (Amended: 6/22/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 7/14/2023-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(10). (Last location was NAT. RES. on 6/20/2023)(May be acted upon Jan 2024)

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

Summary: The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) requires, among other things, a lead agency, as defined, to prepare, or cause to be prepared, and certify the completion of an environmental impact report on a project that it proposes to carry out or approve that may have a significant effect on the environment or to adopt a negative declaration if it finds that the project will not have that effect. CEQA establishes a procedure by which a person may seek judicial review of the decision of the lead agency made pursuant to CEQA. This bill would require the Judicial Council to adopt a rule of court to establish procedures requiring actions or proceedings brought to attack, review, set aside, void, or annul the certification of an environmental impact report, or the granting of any project approvals, for groundwater recharge projects, as described, except as provided, that implement a groundwater sustainability plan or an interim groundwater sustainability plan, as described, that would require the actions or proceedings, including any appeals, to be resolved within 270 days of the filing of the certified record of proceedings with the court. The bill would also include a related statement of legislative intent. This bill contains other existing laws.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

SB 867 (Allen D) Drought, Flood, and Water Resilience, Wildfire and Forest Resilience, Coastal Resilience, Extreme Heat Mitigation, Biodiversity and Nature-Based Climate Solutions, Climate Smart Agriculture, Park Creation and Outdoor Access, and Clean Energy Bond Act of 2024. (Amended: 6/22/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 7/6/2023-July 10 hearing postponed by committee.

Location: 6/20/2023-A. NAT. RES.

Summary: The California Drought, Water, Parks, Climate, Coastal Protection, and Outdoor Access For All Act of 2018, approved by the voters as Proposition 68 at the June 5, 2018, statewide primary election, authorizes the issuance of bonds in the amount of \$4,100,000,000 pursuant to the State General Obligation Bond Law to finance a drought, water, parks, climate, coastal protection, and outdoor access for all program. Article XVI of the California Constitution requires measures authorizing general obligation bonds to specify the single object or work to be funded by the bonds and further requires a bond act to be approved by a 2/3 vote of each house of the Legislature and a majority of the voters. This bill would enact the Drought, Flood, and Water Resilience, Wildfire and Forest Resilience, Coastal Resilience, Extreme Heat Mitigation, Biodiversity and Nature-Based Climate Solutions, Climate Smart Agriculture, Park Creation and Outdoor Access, and Clean Energy Bond Act of 2024, which, if approved by the voters, would authorize the issuance of bonds in the amount of \$15,500,000,000 pursuant to the State General Obligation Bond Law to finance projects for drought, flood, and water resilience, wildfire and forest resilience, coastal resilience, extreme heat mitigation, biodiversity and nature-based climate solutions, climate smart agriculture,

park creation and outdoor access, and clean energy programs. This bill contains other related provisions.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

SB 937 **(Wiener D) Development projects: permits and other entitlements: fees and charges.** (

Introduced: 1/17/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 1/18/2024-From printer. May be acted upon on or after February 17.

Location: 1/17/2024-S. RLS.

Summary: The Planning and Zoning Law requires each county and each city to adopt a comprehensive, long-term general plan for its physical development, and the development of specified land outside its boundaries, that includes, among other mandatory elements, a housing element. Existing law, the Permit Streamlining Act, among other things, requires a public agency that is the lead agency for a development project to approve or disapprove that project within specified time periods. Existing law extended by 18 months the period for the expiration, effectuation, or utilization of a housing entitlement, as defined, that was issued before, and was in effect on, March 4, 2020, and that would expire before December 31, 2021, except as specified. Existing law provides that if the state or a local agency extended the otherwise applicable time for the expiration, effectuation, or utilization of a housing entitlement for not less than 18 months, as specified, that housing entitlement would not be extended an additional 18 months pursuant to these provisions. This bill would extend by 18 months the period for the expiration, effectuation, or utilization of a housing entitlement, as defined, that was issued before January 1, 2024, and that will expire before December 31, 2025, except as specified. The bill would toll this 18-month extension during any time that the housing entitlement is the subject of a legal challenge. By adding to the duties of local officials with respect to housing entitlements, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program. The bill would include findings that changes proposed by this bill address a matter of statewide concern rather than a municipal affair and, therefore, apply to all cities, including charter cities. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

SB 939 **(Umberg D) Natural resources.** (Introduced: 1/17/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 1/18/2024-From printer. May be acted upon on or after February 17.

Location: 1/17/2024-S. RLS.

Summary: Existing law declares that resource conservation is of fundamental importance to the prosperity and welfare of the people of this state, and provides for the formation and powers of resource conservation districts. This bill would declare the intent of the Legislature to enact subsequent legislation relating to natural resources.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

SB 945 (Alvarado-Gil D) The Wildfire Smoke and Health Outcomes Data Act. (Introduced: 1/18/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#).)

Status: 1/19/2024-From printer. May be acted upon on or after February 18.

Location: 1/18/2024-S. RLS.

Summary: Existing law establishes the State Department of Public Health and sets forth its powers and duties pertaining to, among other things, protecting, preserving, and advancing public health. Existing law requires the department, in consultation with specified stakeholders, to develop a plan, addressing specified issues, with recommendations and guidelines for counties to use in the case of a significant air quality event caused by wildfires or other sources. This bill, the Wildfire Smoke and Health Outcomes Data Act, would require the State Department of Public Health, in consultation with the Department of Forestry and Fire Protection, the Wildfire and Forest Resilience Task Force, and the State Air Resources Board to create, operate, and maintain a statewide integrated wildfire smoke and health data platform that, among other things, would integrate wildfire smoke and health data from multiple databases. The bill would require the State Department of Public Health to develop the data platform in accordance with a to be specified schedule. Under the bill, the purposes for the data platform would include providing adequate information to understand the negative health impacts on California’s population caused by wildfire smoke and evaluating the effectiveness of investments in forest health and wildfire mitigation on health outcomes in California. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

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SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

Total Measures: 63

Total Tracking Forms: 63



COMMITTEE MEMORANDUM

DATE: February 15, 2024

TO: Public Outreach and Legislation Committee

FROM: Kevin Strauss
Communications Manager KS

SUBJECT: Review Community Event Participation Criteria

SUMMARY

SCV Water and its predecessor agencies have a long history of community involvement at local events. Typically, we have participated by having an Agency booth at festivals, fundraisers, and other community gatherings across the Santa Clarita Valley. In a typical year, we participate in as many as 25 to 30 events, sometimes several in one weekend.

In 2020 and 2021, all in-person events stopped due to COVID mandates. In 2022, when COVID mandates decreased, we slowly returned “in-person,” participating in seven events. And in 2023, our participation in local community events nearly doubled to 15.

Since we anticipate event participation will increase in 2024, staff would like to review our current Community Event Participation Criteria to further define parameters for our participation, so that we can continue to participate in local community events that align with our goals and provide community connection. The current criteria used by staff to determine participation was last shared with the Public Outreach and Legislation Committee informally on June 15, 2023, during the Communications Manager’s Report, though no larger discussion was held.

DISCUSSION

Much of our local event participation is based on history. Through long-term relationships, traditions were developed in which SCV Water (and predecessor agencies before that) were nearly always at certain events. There were some criteria used to evaluate new requests, such as the opportunity for interaction with attendees, and what percentage of attendees we might expect to be our customers. There have also been some events that were almost always excluded, such as golf tournaments and most 5/10K races – primarily because the potential audience was only available to reach for a short period of time before dispersing to the activity.

The attached Event Participation Criteria covers both water industry and local events. It is staff’s opinion that we could be more selective in our participation, ensuring our resources are used to effectively reach our customers with relevant information.

In addition to the program goals identified in the Sponsorship Guidelines, including whether the event communicates regional water policy issues to key constituent groups, promotes discussion and educational activities for regional water conservation and water-use efficiency issues, and supports the overall mission, vision and values of SCV Water, other criteria to consider would be about the event itself, such as if it:

- Occurs within SCV Water service area boundary
- Provides an acceptable level of interaction or exposure to attendees who would also likely be SCV Water customers (this could include a baseline of anticipated attendance numbers)
- Does not set a precedent for participation which could make a future Agency decision appear subjective (i.e., participating at one event, while declining participation at another similar event)
- Consider whether the event is free or requires paid admission
- Consider whether the event is a fundraiser for an organization

Booth Objectives

Have an information booth with handouts, promo items and other material and activities that promote Agency programs, services, and key messages.

Water Station

The Agency has one portable water station to allow event attendees to fill reusable water bottles. However, certain requirements must be met for use:

- Connection to a potable water source that allows the station to be located within the flow of event traffic (typically within 50 feet)
- Availability for flushing and testing 24 hours before by Water Quality staff
- Flat surface
- Room for shade canopy and signage
- Consider event attendance – the station requires additional staff to transport and manage, and resources to prep and clean. May not be suitable for smaller events.

STRATEGIC PLAN NEXUS

The review of community event participation criteria supports SCV Water’s Strategic Plan Strategy A.2 – Proactively communicate with and engage our community on water matters of importance to the region positioning SCV Water as a leading resource and reliable authority on water issues.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

Staff overtime to work events, paid from Department personnel budgets. It is estimated that \$12,431 was spent on staff overtime in 2023 using the average OT rate from participating staff (approximately \$71.44/hr) multiplied by 174 hours worked specifically for community events.

RECOMMENDATION

The Public Outreach and Legislation Committee provides input on SCV Water participation in community events.

Attachment:

Event Participation Criteria



PURPOSE

To assist staff in evaluating event participation opportunities, to ensure SCV Water is being strategic and effective with our resources.

EVENT PARTICIPATION CRITERIA

In addition to the program goals identified on the Sponsorship Guidelines, other criteria considered about the event itself include:

- Occurs within SCV Water service area boundary
- Provides an acceptable level of interaction or exposure to attendees who would also likely be SCV Water customers (this could include a baseline of anticipated attendance numbers)
- Does not set a precedent for participation which could make a future Agency decision appear subjective (i.e., participating at one event, while declining participation at another similar event; especially in terms of non-profit fundraisers)
- Consider whether the event is free or requires paid admission
- Consider whether the event is a fundraiser for an organization
- Limit non-profit organizations to just once per year.

Booth Objectives

Have an information booth with handouts, promo items and other material and activities that promote Agency programs, services, and key messages.

Water Station

Requirements for use:

- Connection to a potable water source that allows the station to be located within the flow of event traffic (typically within 50 feet)
- Availability for flushing and testing 24 hours before by Water Quality staff
- Flat surface
- Room for shade canopy and signage
- Consider event attendance – the station requires additional staff to transport and manage, and resources to prep and clean. May not be suitable for smaller events.



PROPOSED COMMUNITY EVENT PARTICIPATION CRITERIA

Annual Recurring Events

The events listed below are ones SCV Water typically participates in every year.

Month	Organization	Event
January		
February	JCI Santa Clarita	Get Real: Adulting 101 – A Teen Financial Workshop
March	City of Santa Clarita	Free to Be Me Festival
April	KHTS	Home and Garden Show
	City of Santa Clarita	Cowboy Festival
	CSUN	Nursing Student Presentation
May	Placerita Nature Center	Open House
	Friends of Castaic Lake	Fishin' Fun
June		
July		
August	City of Santa Clarita	Concerts in the Park
September	City of Santa Clarita	River Rally
	County of Los Angeles/ Friends of Hart Park	Pow Wow Festival
October	SCV Senior Center	Senior Fair
	CA DWR	C.A.S.T. for Kids
November	City of Santa Clarita	Light Up Main Street
	SCV Education Foundation	Touch a Truck
December	City of Santa Clarita	Family Literacy Festival



COMMITTEE MEMORANDUM

DATE: February 15, 2024

TO: Public Outreach and Legislation Committee

FROM: Kevin Strauss
Communications Manager KS

SUBJECT: Communications Manager's Report

SUMMARY

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

Expected items to be updated this month include:

- Garden & Landscape Workshops
- Strategic Plan Public Workshop & Microsite
- Upcoming Speaker's Bureau Engagement – Placerita Canyon Nature Center

STRATEGIC PLAN NEXUS

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

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

None

RECOMMENDATION

For information only. No action to be taken.

Attachments:

Grant Funding Efforts Summary
Legislative Tracking Summary
Sponsorship Tracking Summary

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

Grant	Start Date	End Date	# of SCVWA Projects within Grant	SCV Water Project Name	SCVWA PROJECTS ONLY				% Grant Share Billed on Funder Approved Invoices**	Cost of Application
					Total Project Cost	Grant Funding/Loan	Required Funding Match (Non-State/Federal Share)	Other Non-State/Federal Share		
DWR Prop 84 Round 1 Implementation <i>*Fundable portion of grant complete; grant completion and retention release est. September 2023</i>	4/10/2012	3/31/2022*	4	1. Grant Administration 2. SCV Water Use Efficiency Plan 3. Santa Clara River Sewer Truck Line Relocation 4. Recycle Water Project Phases 2B & 2D	\$ 14,057,107	\$ 6,264,551.00	\$ 4,110,280	\$ 7,792,556	92%	\$37,700
DWR Prop 1 Sustainable Groundwater Planning (includes Prop 1 SGWP & Prop 68 SGP grants) <i>Prop 1 Grant Agreement Date: 12/5/2018 Prop 68 Amendment Date: 5/14/2020</i>	12/5/2018	12/31/2023	3	a. Grant Administration b. Planning Activities c. Monitoring	\$ 2,047,434	\$ 1,307,265.00	\$ 740,169	\$ -	90%	Prop 1 - \$24,778 Prop 68 - \$29,822
DWR Prop 1 Round 1 IRWM Implementation <i>Grant Agreement Date: 7/6/2021</i>	9/24/2020	3/21/2026	2	1. Grant Administration 2. Recycle Water Phase 2C 3. Santa Clara Honby PFAS Remediation	\$ 20,674,288	\$ 6,216,800.00	\$ 10,751,205	\$ 3,706,283	51%	\$99,192 Cost share between project proponents
CA State Water Resources Control Board <i>Grant Agreement Date: 2/3/2022</i>	4/8/2021	3/31/2024	1	LARC Ranch Water Pipeline Project	\$ 4,811,991	\$ 3,931,991.00	\$ 880,000	\$ -	6%	\$0 State Assigned Grant Consultant / DAC Proj
BOR WaterSmart Drought Response Program <i>Grant Agreement date: 8/11/2022</i>	8/11/2022	6/30/2025	1	Rosedale Phase 2 Wells Project* <i>*Total project cost does not include cost to purchase well sites or easements.</i>	\$ 2,921,191	\$ 1,458,987.00	\$ 1,462,204	\$ -	0%	Included in annual On-Call Grant Consulting Agreement (FY2022 \$69,725 Final)
BOR WaterSmart Water and Energy Efficiency Grant <i>Agreement date: 9/16/2022</i>	9/16/2022	6/30/2025	1	Automated Metering Infrastructure (AMI) Project (SCV Water Phase 1)	\$ 8,428,289	\$ 2,000,000.00	\$ 6,428,289	\$ -	54%	Included in annual On-Call Grant Consulting Agreement (FY2022 \$69,725 Final)
FY 2023 WaterSmart BOR Drought Response Program <i>Grant Agreement date: 05/30/2023</i>	5/30/2023	12/31/2026	1	S-Wells PFAS Treatment and Disinfection Facilities (Phase 1)	\$ 16,412,500	\$ 5,000,000.00	\$ 5,000,000	\$ 6,412,500	1%	Included in annual On-Call Grant Consulting Agreement (FY2022 \$69,725 Final)
WaterSmart BOR Water Energy Efficiency Grant FY2023 <i>Preliminary Award: April 2023 Grant Agreement in negotiation</i>	1/29/2024	3/30/2026	1	Water Efficiency Program	\$ 7,242,900	\$ 2,000,000.00	\$ 5,242,900		0%	Included in annual On-Call Grant Consulting Agreement (FY2023 \$52,687 Final)
DWR Prop 1 Round 2 IRWM Grant Total Funding - \$10.95M awarded <i>Grant Agreement Date: 10/27/2023</i> (IRWM App contains 5 projects total, incl City and LA County projects)	5/3/2023	12/31/2027	3	1. Grant Administration 2. Sand Canyon Sewer Line Relocation 3. T&U Wells PFAS Treatment	\$ 21,756,527	\$ 3,625,529.00	\$ 10,753,264	\$ 737,734	0%	\$55,757.50 Total SCVWA Application Cost Share \$27,878.75
DWR Prop 1 Sustainable Groundwater Mgmt Implementation Grant_ Round 2 <i>Award accepted: 10/18/2023 Grant Agreement in negotiation</i>	TBD	4/30/2026	4	1. Grant Administration 2. Existing GSP Contracted Implementation 3. Monitoring Wells 4. Domestic Well Survey	\$ 5,304,640	\$ 5,304,640.00	\$ -	\$ -	0%	\$16,790
CA Budget Act of 2022 Earmark (AB102) <i>Award: June 2023 Agreement in negotiation ON HOLD PER DWR DUE TO CA BUDGET ISSUES</i>	TBD	TBD	1	Arundo Removal and Management	TBD	\$ 1,000,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	0%	\$0 Staff submitted

**Payments are based invoices submitted to funder for ALL PROJECTS within the grant. Receipt of payment may be delayed in Funder's normal course of business.

SUBMITTED APPLICATIONS UNDER CONSIDERATION - PENDING									
Grant	Start Date	End Date	# of SCVWA Projects within Grant	SCV Project Name	Total Project Cost	Requested Grant/Loan Funding	Required Funding Match (Non-State/Federal Share)	Other Non-State/Federal Share (Funding Match)	Cost of Application
American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 through CA DDW - CA Water and Wastewater Arrearage Payment Program (extended period) Submitted: 12/28/2023	6/16/2021	1/31/2022	1	Arrearage Payment Program (customer bills arrearage payment forgiveness) extended period	\$ 251,519	\$ 251,519	\$ -	\$ -	\$0 Staff Submitted
BOR WaterSmart Drought Response Grant Application Submitted: ~11/1/2023	Est 10/2024	Est 10/2027	1	Newhall Wells (N11, N12, N13) Groundwater Treatment Improvements	\$ 20,680,000	\$ 5,000,000	\$ 15,680,000		Included in FY2024 On Call Grant Writing Agreement (\$50K)
BOR WaterSmart Applied Science Grant Application Submitted: 10/17/2023	Est. 4/2023	Est 9/2026	1	Groundwater Model Refinement and Calibration Project	\$ 726,748	\$ 363,374	\$ 363,374		Included in FY2024 On Call Grant Writing Agreement (\$50K)
SWRCB Water Recycling Funding Program Grant up to 35% of Project Costs; grant request capped at approx. \$3.2M due to \$3M funding under DWR Prop 1 Round 1 IRWM Grant Submitted: ~Application in progress	TBD	TBD	1	Recycled Water Phase 2C (Reach 1)	\$ 12,276,660	\$ 3,200,000	TBD		Included in annual On-Call Grant Consulting Agreement (FY2023 \$52,687 Final)
SWRCB Drinking Expedited Drinking Water Grant Program 100% Grant Funding for installation of distribution system for 70 existing homes within SCV Water Service Area Application: In process. Est Spring 2024	TBD	TBD	1	New Mint Association Water Distribution System	\$ 4,300,000	\$ 4,300,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$0 State Assigned Grant Consultant through SWRCB
CA State Water Resources Control Board Grant Incentive Grant Funding re LARC Ranch DAC Project Application Submittal: FEB 2023	TBD	TBD	1	PFAS Remediateion Projects T & U Wells (Phase 1 Project)	\$ 18,148,436	\$ 1,130,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$0 State Assigned Grant Consultant due to LARC Ranch DAC Proj
CA State Water Resources Control Board Grant Bipartisan Infrastructure Law - EPA Emerging Contaminants Funding SCV Water's PFAS Projects are listed in SWRCB FY2022-23 Fundable List; may reduce/offset DWSRF Loan amount Application Submitted: FEB 2023	TBD	TBD	1	PFAS Remediateion Projects T & U Wells (Phase 1 Project)	\$ 18,148,436	\$ 5,000,000	TBD		
CA Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Loan Includes \$10M 0% Interest Incentive Loan re LARC Ranch DAC Project, with balance at standard SRF Rates; Application Submitted: FEB2023	TBD	TBD	1	PFAS Remediateion Projects T & U Wells (Phase 1 Project)	\$ 18,148,436	\$ 10,000,000	\$ -	\$ -	

**Cumulative funding limit across all BOR FY2023 WaterSmart Grant Programs is \$5M
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APPLICATIONS IN PROCESS - TO BE SUBMITTED									
Grant	Start Date	End Date	# of SCVWA Projects within Grant	SCV Project Name	SCVWA PROJECTS ONLY				Cost of Application
					Estimated Total Project Cost	Estimated Requested Grant/Loan Funding	Required Funding Match (Non-State/Federal Share)	Other Non-State / Federal Share (Funding Match)	
BOR FY2024 WaterSmart Water and Energy Efficiency <i>Application Due: 2/22/2024</i>	12/31/2024	12/31/2027	1	Automated Metering Infrastructure (AMI) Project (SCV Water Phase 1)	TBD	TBD	TBD	\$ -	Included in FY2024 On Call Grant Writing Agreement (\$50K)
CA Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Loan <i>Includes ~\$960K 0% Interest Incentive Loan re LARC Ranch DAC Project, with balance at standard SRF Rates; Possibility of additional EPA Emerging Contaminants funding through Congressional Earmark/EPA Est. Application Submittal: Fall/Winter 2024</i>	TBD	TBD	1	PFAS Remediation Projects S Wells (Phase 2 Project)	TBD	TBD	\$ -	\$ -	\$0 State Assigned Grant Consultant due to LARC Ranch DAC Proj

CLOSED / COMPLETED GRANTS										
Grant	Start Date	End Date	# of SCVWA Projects within Grant	SCV Water Project Name	SCVWA PROJECTS ONLY				% Grant Share Billed on Funder Approved Invoices*	Cost of Application
					Total Project Cost	Grant Funding	Required Funding Match (Non-State/Federal Share)	Other Non-State/Federal Share		
DWR Prop 84 Round 2 Implementation <i>(Complete - DWR official notification of closed grant received on 5/11/2021)</i>	6/17/2014	12/31/2020	4	1. Grant Administration 2. CLWA SCV WUE Program 3. SCWD WUE Programs 4. Foothill Feeder Connection	\$ 7,804,002	\$ 4,003,399	\$ 3,800,603		99.79% FINAL	\$84,175
DWR Prop 84 2014 Drought Grant <i>(Complete - DWR official notification of closed grant received on 5/11/2021)</i>	7/20/2015	12/31/2020	3	1. Grant Administration 2. RRB/CLWA Banking Program 3. CLWA/SWSD Extraction & Conveyance	\$ 15,616,780	\$ 11,535,067	\$ 4,081,713		99.68% FINAL	\$80,000
American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 through CA DDW - CA Water and Wastewater Arrearage Payment Program	Immediate	1/31/2022	1	Arrearage Payment Program (customer bills arrearage payment forgiveness)	\$ 671,520	\$ 671,520	\$ -	\$ -	100%	\$0 Staff Submitted
ACWA-JPIA	3/1/2022	6/30/2022	1	Emergency Preparedness (Communications Equipment)		\$ 10,000	\$ -	\$ -	0%	\$0 Staff Submitted
CalOES-FEMA Public Assistance Program FEMA-4482-DR-CA (Project 1)	7/31/2020		1	COVID-19 Assistance (PPE & Sanitation Supplies)		\$ 34,380	\$ -	\$ -	100%	\$0 Staff submitted
Community Power Resiliency Allocation - Special Districts Program - CalOES subaward <i>Closeout: 4/24/2023</i>	3/12/2021	3/31/2022	1	Generator Replacement at Earl Schmidt Filtration Plant	\$ 249,854	\$ 249,854	\$ -	\$ -	100% allocated funds received	\$0 - No charge from Consultant
CalOES-FEMA Public Assistance Program FEMA-4482-DR-CA (Project 2)	6/12/2020	5/8/2023 <i>awarded</i>	1	COVID-19 Assistance (Sanitation of Agency Facilities)		\$ 40,900	\$ -		100%	\$0 Staff submitted

UNSUCCESSFUL APPLICATIONS									Cost of Application
Grant	Start Date	End Date	# of SCVWA Projects within Grant	SCV Project Name	Total Project Cost	Grant Funding	Required Funding Match (Non-State/Federal Share)	Other Non-State/ Federal Share (Funding Match)	
DWR 2022 Urban Community Drought Relief Grant Submittal Date: 12/9/2022 Phases 1-4 awarded; DWR may fund additional rounds, but unlikely	TBD	12/31/2026	2	1. Saugus 3 & 4 Well Equipping Project 2. S Wells PFAS Treatment/Disinfection	\$ 26,720,434	\$ 5,982,109	\$ 1,495,527	TBD	Included in annual On-Call Grant Consulting Agreement (FY2023 \$52,687 Final)
DWR Prop 84 IRWM Round 3 Grant Submitted: 8/7/2015	N/A	N/A	2	1. Grant Administraton 2. CLWA Res & Comm Turf Removal 3. Santa Clara River Trunk Sewer Line Project Phase II (NCWD?) 4. Valencia WRP Advanced Water Treatment Facilities	\$ 40,565,007	\$ 16,229,000	\$ 24,427,007		\$110,000 Cost Share between Project Proponents on a pro-rata basis
WaterSMART Water and Energy Efficiency Grants BOR-DO-21-F001 Submitted: 9/17/2020	N/A	N/A	1	Automated Metering Infrastructure (AMI) Project (SCV Water Phase 1)	\$ 3,475,860	\$ 500,000	\$ 500,000	\$ 2,475,860	Included in annual On-Call Grant Consulting Agreement (FY2022 \$69,725 Final)
WaterSMART Drought Response Program BOR-DO-20-F002 Submitted: 8/5/2020	N/A	N/A	1	Saugus Wells 3 & 4 Equipment and Site Improvement Project	\$ 3,744,829	\$ 1,500,000	\$ 1,500,000	\$ 744,829	Included in annual On-Call Grant Consulting Agreement (FY2022 \$69,725 Final)
CA DWR 2021 Urban and Multibenefit Drought Relief Grant Program Submitted: 1/12/2022	N/A	N/A	1	Saugus Wells 3 & 4 (Replacement Wells) Well Equipment and Site Improvement Project	\$ 8,300,000	\$ 2,500,000	\$ -		Included in annual On-Call Grant Consulting Agreement (FY2022 \$69,725 Final)
CA DWR 2021 Urban and Multibenefit Drought Grant to be reconsidered under Round 3 Submitted: 1/12/2022	N/A	N/A	1	Santa Clara/Honby PFAS Groundwater Treatment Improvement Project INCLUDED AS SUBSTITUTE PROJECT IN PROP 1 ROUND 1 IRWM GRANT ABOVE	\$ 11,750,000	\$ 4,000,000	\$ -		\$5,736
BOR WaterSmart - Title XVI WIIN Water Reclamation and Reuse Program FY2022 Submitted: 3/15/2022	N/A	N/A	1	Phase 2C Recycled Water Project	\$ 24,010,000	\$ 6,002,500	\$ 15,007,500	\$ 3,000,000	Included in annual On-Call Grant Consulting Agreement (FY2022 \$69,725 Final)
FEMA-CalOES Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (Under DR-4683) Did not submit application due non-competitive scoring on FEMA Benefit Cost Analysis tool	est 2026	TBD	1	Seismic Retrofit for SCVWA Steel Reservoirs (5 reservoirs)	TBD	TBD	TBD		Est \$45K (~\$35K application costs reimbursable if grant is awarded)

REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION / FUNDING APPLICATION PREPARATION			
Document / Program	Explanation	Start Date	Est. Completion
Local Hazard Mitigation Plan (LHMP)	An approved LHMP is an eligibility requirement for funding under FEMA and/or other federal grants opportunities.	FEB 2021	Completed FEMA Approved 1/14/2023
Bureau of Reclamation - Title XVI Feasibility Study	Feasibility Study required to qualify for federal WIIN Act funding for Phases 2A and 2C Recycled Water Projects was approved by BOR on 4/28/2022.	JAN 2021	Completed Accpeted by BOR

Last Update: 2/6/24



LEGISLATION TRACKING

Letters of Support/Opposition

Date	Bill/Initiative	Title	Stand	Notes	Leg. Policy*	Status
1/3/2023		Support letter for Habitat Enhancement and Restoration Program Funding for Bouquet Canyon Creek Restoration Project	Support	Letter submitted to Wildlife Conservation Board	10.0	Letter sent 1/3/2023
2/18/2023		Support letter for Temporary Urgency Change Petition (TUCP)	Support	Signed on to coalition letter from The State Water Contractors (SWC)	7.0	Letter sent 2/19/2023
3/21/2023	AB 1594 (E. Garcia)	Medium - and heavy-duty zero-emission vehicles: public agency utilities	Support	Letter submitted to Assembly Committee on Utilities & Energy	4.0 & 10.0	Letter sent 3/21/2023
3/21/2023	Assemblywoman Pilar Schiavo	Budget District Request Letter	N/A	Letter submitted to Assemblymember Schiavo providing a list of three funding priorities for SCV Water	9.0	Letter sent 3/21/2023
3/22/2023	Senator Wilk	Budget District Request Letter	N/A	Letter submitted to Senator Wilk providing a list of three funding priorities for SCV Water	9.0	Letter sent 3/22/2023
3/27/2023	AB 1337 (Wicks)	State Water Resources Control Board: Water Shortage Enforcement	Oppose	Signed on to coalition letter from ACWA	9.0	Letter sent 4/11/2023
3/29/2023	SWC Comment Letter	Proposed Endangered Listing of the Longfin Smelt Bay-Delta DPS		The State Water Contractors (SWC) comment letter	10.0	Letter sent 3/9/2023
4/6/2023				Sent own letter to Chair Dave Min, Senate Natural Resources and Water Committee Signed		Letter sent 4/6/2023
6/13/23	SB 366 (Caballero)	California Water Plan: long-term supply targets	Support	on to coalition letter from SJWD Signed on to coalition letter from ACWA	7.0	Coalition letter sent 4/21/2023; ACWA Coalition letter sent 6/13/2023
4/7/2023	ACWA Comment Letter	Proposed Regulation Order Advanced Clean Fleets (ACF) Regulation State and Local Government		Signed on to coalition letter from ACWA	4.0 & 10	Letter sent 4/7/2023 & 4/20/2023
4/11/2023	SB 389 (Allen)	State Water Resources Control Board: Determination of Water Rights	Oppose	Signed on to coalition letter from ACWA	9.0	Letter sent 4/11/2023
4/11/2023	AB 460 (Bauer-Kahan)	State Water Resources Control Board: Water Rights & Usage: Interim Relief: Procedures	Oppose	Signed on to coalition letter from ACWA	9.0	Letter sent 4/11/2023
7/7/2023	AB 1631 (Schiavo)	Water Resources Permit to Appropriate: Application Procedure: Mining Use	Support	Sent own letter to Chair Dave Min, Senate Natural Resources and Water Committee	10.0	Letter sent 7/7/2023
7/27/2023	Assemblywoman Pilar Schiavo	Budget District Allocation Letter	N/A	Budget Allocation Confirmation: \$1,000,000 to SCV Water, for Arundo Removal & Management	9.0	Letter received
10/17/2023	AB 1668 and SB 606	Proposed Draft Making Conservation a California Way of Life Regulation - Comment Letter	N/A	Signed on to coalition letter from ACWA and sent own letter to State Water Resources Control Board	5.0	Letters sent 10/17/2023
1/3/2024	SCWC Comment Letter	State Water Resources Control Board: Healthy Rivers and Landscapes	Support	Signed on to coalition letter from Southern CA Water Coalition (SCWC) and sent own letter to State Water Resources Control Board	9.0	Letter sent 1/18/24 (attached)

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*ACWA: Association of CA Water Agencies

Represents changes since last distribution.

DEFINITIONS:

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

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

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

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

chaptered: A bill is "chaptered" by the Secretary of State once it passes both houses and has been signed by the Governor or becomes law without the Governor's signature

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January 18, 2024

Honorable Joaquin Esquivel, Chair
State Water Resources Control Board
1001 I Street
Sacramento, CA 95814
SacDeltaComments@waterboards.ca.gov

Dear Chair Esquivel:

SCV Water is submitting this letter of support for the approval of the **Agreements to support Healthy Rivers and Landscapes** as the alternative for updating the Bay-Delta Water Quality Control Plan. SCV Water is a State Water Contractor and provides water to a growing community of nearly 300,000 residents in the City of Santa Clarita and surrounding unincorporated areas of Los Angeles County.

SCV Water has a long history of investing in a portfolio approach to managing its water resources. This has included investing in the State Water Project (SWP), local groundwater production and cleanup, recycled water, water banking, Sites Reservoir and water use efficiency programs. While we continue to increase our local supplies and water use efficiency, the SWP remains an essential source for the state and our region, serving as the foundation for our daily water needs as more local and regional projects are explored and implemented.

The Agreements to Support Healthy Rivers and Landscapes is an essential component for creating the reliability, certainty, and availability of water supplies from the state's backbone infrastructure system to protect Southern California's water resilience. SCV Water supports this collaborative and scientifically-grounded approach to resolving conflicts in the Bay-Delta and believes it is critical to our mission of *"Providing responsible water stewardship to ensure the Santa Clarita Valley has reliable supplies of high-quality water at a reasonable cost."*

Water suppliers acknowledge that water flows are an important component of habitat protection – and the Healthy Rivers and Landscapes proposal dedicates between 500,000 acre-feet and 700,000 acre-feet of water to the environment in many water years – but we need a new approach where every drop of water serves a specific and targeted beneficial use or multiple uses. The updated Delta water quality standards should protect all beneficial uses. The unimpaired flow ("Flow-Only") approach that is being considered as an update to the Bay-Delta Plan, has detrimental impacts to fish and wildlife and will not protect other beneficial uses, including water supplies for our community.

Analysis included in the Draft SWRCB Staff Report indicate the Flow-Only approach could have a very significant overall impact on SWP Southern California contractors, reducing deliveries by 27% on average from existing baseline conditions. While SCV Water has heavily invested in diversifying its water supply portfolio to include not only SWP supplies, but also local groundwater and recycled water development, banking and exchange programs, and conservation programs, this substantial reduction would have a detrimental impact on our local community. Specifically, our water supply could immediately fall short, and by 2040 we would be an estimated 20,000 acre-feet per year below necessary supplies to meet our demands. This

would require an immediate shift in our planning to acquire funding and find programs to supplement that amount of lost imported supply within the next 15 years. Many large programs which could supply that amount of water take decades to plan and implement and are exponentially more expensive. Unfortunately, the cost of these programs, in part, land upon those that are disadvantaged and can least afford it.

In addition, as we struggle with our groundwater supply being impacted by new PFAS water quality regulations, reliable SWP supplies are critical to our community. Without our dry year reserves and imported supplies, we would have been unable to meet our customers' needs and would have dealt with shortages locally for the past few years. SWP supplies are vital to helping us balance our portfolio approach to water resource management. Without reliable SWP supplies, there would be limited ability to recharge our banking programs, one of our key planning tools for addressing the impact of a changing climate.

While there have been some notable successes, the various efforts to manage the Bay-Delta over the recent decades have fallen short of the goal, as both important species and water supply reliability have declined in the Bay-Delta and throughout the state. To change course and offer a different approach and trajectory, it is important to advance and incorporate these innovative Agreements that will improve environmental conditions more quickly and holistically than traditional regulatory requirements and provide more certainty to communities, farms, and businesses.

We encourage the State Water Board's adoption of the Healthy Rivers and Landscapes proposals as the best alternative for meeting the objectives for the Delta Plan update and to fulfill the State Water Board's obligation to reasonably balance the multitude of factors and considerations when updating the Delta Plan.

Sincerely,



Stephen L. Cole
Assistant General Manager
Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency

CC: Members, State Water Resources Control Board



SPONSORSHIP TRACKING FY JULY 2023 - JUNE 2024

Updated: Feb 6, 2024

Agency Name	Event	Date	Location	Reg. Fee	Committed	Paid	Sponsorship	Previous Amount
City of Santa Clarita	Concerts in the Park 'A Twist on Taylor'	Aug 12, 2023 7 - 9 P.M.	Central Park	N/A			Info booth focused on Conservation messaging with limited giveaways. Providing potable water to use with our refill station.	
AWA	28th Annual Member & Policymakers' Reception	Sept 14, 2023 5:30 - 8:00 P.M.	Ronald Reagan Presidential Library			\$500	Acknowledgement on invitation & program and Agency name on signage	500
City of Santa Clarita	River Rally	Sept 16, 2023 8 - 11 A.M.	Wiley Canyon Road, east of Orchard Village Road off Via Princessa Bridge	N/A			Info booth focused on drought. Providing some bottled water to event. Location does not provide potable water access to use our refill station.	
Sen. Wilk/Assm. Schiavo	Senior Fair	Oct 5, 2023 - 9:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M.	Bella Vida	N/A			CCare and Outreach staff to work info booth	
DWR	C.A.S.T. for Kids Foundation castforkids.org	Oct 14, 2023 - 9:00 A.M.	Castaic Lake	N/A		\$1,500	About 15 of SCV Water staff volunteer for the event; pay for kids fishing accessories, shirts, provide water, etc.	1500
City of Santa Clarita	Make a Difference Day	Oct 28, 2023	TBD				Water Bottle Fill Station plus info booth water/conservation info and activity	
Hart High School	Hart Regiment State Marching Band Competition	Nov 2023	College of Canyons	N/A		\$500	Full Page Ad and Agency logo throughout the program	
SCV Education Foundation	Touch a Truck scveducationfoundation.org	Nov 4, 2023 A.M. - 2 P.M.	Central Park	N/A		\$1,000	Agency logo on all event related marketing press, recognition and acknowledgement, 10'x10' booth space, 8 complimentary entries	1000
SCV Chambers	Salute to Patriots	Nov 8, 2023 - 4 P.M.	Bella Vida	\$60		\$1,000	4 VIP seating, logo on all electronic materials, emails and social media, recognition in media and press	500
City of Santa Clarita	Light Up Main Street	Nov 18, 2023, 2024 and 2025	Newhall	N/A		\$5,000	One 10'x10' marketing activation space in high traffic area, opportunity to display banner	
ACWA	2023 Spring and Fall Conference	May and Nov 2023				\$5400 Paid FY 2022-23	Wednesday Networking Lunch Spring and Fall Conference	5400
City of Santa Clarita	Santa Clarita Public Library 16th Annual Family Literacy Festival	Dec 2, 2023 10 A.M. - 2 P.M.		N/A			Plinko Game and Water Bottle Fill Station	



**PUBLIC OUTREACH AND LEGISLATION COMMITTEE
AGENDA PLANNING CALENDAR 2024**

**ITEM NO.
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February 15, 2024 Committee Meeting *(last days for bills to be introduced)*

1. Legislative Consultant Reports
2. Review of Agency's Event Participation Criteria
3. Communications Manager's Report
4. Committee Requests for Future Agenda Items

March 21, 2024 Committee Meeting

1. Legislative Consultant Reports
2. Presentation of the FY 2023/24 and FY 2024/25 Public Outreach Operating Budget
3. Communications Manager's Report
4. Committee Requests for Future Agenda Items

April 18, 2024 Committee Meeting

1. Legislative Consultant Reports
2. Review Agency's Conservation Public Outreach Campaigns
3. Communications Manager's Report
4. Committee Requests for Future Agenda Items

May 16, 2024 Committee Meeting

1. Legislative Consultant Reports
2. Campaigns and Engagement Highlights Presentation
3. Communications Manager's Report
4. Committee Requests for Future Agenda Items

June 20, 2024 Committee Meeting *(last days for Senate/Assembly to pass bills)*

1. Legislative Consultant Reports
2. Communications Manager's Report
3. Committee Requests for Future Agenda Items

July 18, 2024 Committee Meeting

1. Legislative Consultant Reports
2. Communications Manager's Report
3. Committee Requests for Future Agenda Items

August 15, 2024 Committee Meeting

1. Legislative Consultant Reports
2. Communications Manager's Report
3. Committee Requests for Future Agenda Items

September 19, 2024 Committee Meeting *(last days for Senate/Assembly to pass bills)*

1. Legislative Consultant Reports
2. Communications Manager's Report
3. Committee Requests for Future Agenda Items

October 17, 2024 Committee Meeting

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

3. Committee Requests for Future Agenda Items

November 21, 2024 Committee Meeting

1. Review of the 2025 Legislative Platform
2. Legislative Consultant Reports
3. Communications Manager's Report
4. Committee Requests for Future Agenda Items

December 3, 2024 Board Meeting

1. Adoption of the 2025 Legislative Platform

December 19, 2024 Committee Meeting

1. Legislative Consultant Reports
2. Communications Manager's Report
3. Committee Requests for Future Agenda Items