



# SCV Water Agency Public Outreach and Legislation Committee Meeting

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**Thursday, May 16, 2024**  
**Committee Meeting Begins at 5:30 PM**

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Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency  
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Boardroom  
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**Date:** May 9, 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, May 16, 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. <b><u>PUBLIC COMMENTS</u></b> – 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 May 9, 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: May 6, 2024  
Subject: May 2024 Report

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### **FY2025 Appropriations Update**

On April 25<sup>th</sup>, House Appropriations Chairman Tom Cole released the [Fiscal Year 2025 appropriations guidance](#), which outlines the requirements for Community Project Funding (CPF) requests and allows Members to submit up to 15 CPF requests to the Appropriations Committee for consideration in the final FY2025 appropriations bills. The guidance required Members to submit their requests to the Appropriations Committee by Friday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>, giving the Member offices a tight turnaround. The guidance also requires the Members to post their selected CPF requests on their websites by May 17<sup>th</sup>. Representative Mike Garcia issued his Community Project Funding form shortly after the Committee guidance came out. VSA and SCV Water worked together on the CPF application and gathered letters of support for the E Wells PFAS Removal Treatment Project to meet Rep. Garcia's deadline. SCV Water also met with the D.C. staff from Representative Garcia's office in a virtual meeting to provide an overview of the project. VSA will continue assisting SCV Water through the process and providing updates on further key developments.

### **EPA Announces Final PFAS CERCLA Rule**

On April 17<sup>th</sup>, the EPA released the final rule designating two forever chemicals, perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA) and perfluorooctanesulfonic acid (PFOS), as hazardous substances under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA), also known as the Superfund law. The rule will ensure polluters are held financially responsible for contamination and are required to report on their releases of PFOA and PFOS to the National Response Center within a 24-hour period. If a release occurs, a follow-up report will be required to be sent within 30 days to the Systems Engineering Research Center (SERC), the Transportation Environmental Research Center (TERC), and the Local Emergency Planning Committees (LEPC), or the Tribal Emergency Planning Committee (TEPC). Additionally, the Agency issued a separate CERCLA enforcement discretion policy that states EPA plans to focus enforcement on parties that significantly contributed to the release of PFAS chemicals into the environment, including parties that manufactured PFAS. It should be noted the enforcement discretion policy does not limit the potential of third-party litigation. VSA will share the final rule when it is published to the Federal Register.

- See the EPA’s press release on the final rule [here](#), and the pre-publication version of the rule [here](#).

### **EPA Issues Final National Primary Drinking Water Regulation**

On April 26<sup>th</sup>, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) released the final National Primary Drinking Water Regulation (NPDWR) for six Per- and Polyfluorinated Substances (PFAS) chemicals, which goes into effect on June 25<sup>th</sup>, 2024. The rule sets enforceable Maximum Contaminant Levels (MCLs) of 4 parts per trillion (ppt) for perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA) and perfluorooctane sulfonic acid (PFOS) in drinking water. The rule also sets MCLs of 10 ppt for three additional PFAS chemicals in drinking water, including perfluorononanoic acid (PFNA), perfluorohexane sulfonate (PFHxS), and “GenX” chemicals. The EPA is now estimating it could cost between \$772 million and \$1.2 billion for utilities to comply with the rule.

The new requirements for public water systems under the NPDWR include three years to complete initial monitoring followed by ongoing compliance monitoring and publications of recorded PFAS levels beginning in 2027; five years to implement solutions that reduce PFAS if levels exceed the MCLs; and beginning in five years must alert the public if MCLs are still exceeded.

Legal experts are warning this rule could start a trend of manufacturers, business groups, and water systems filing court challenges to block the rule. They will likely argue the rules were created without considering the cost of compliance and without adequate supporting evidence, violating requirements under the Safe Drinking Water Act. VSA will keep SCV Water apprised as new information becomes available.

- See EPA’s press release [here](#) and the final rule [here](#).

### **EPA Issues Guidance on PFAS Disposal**

On April 8<sup>th</sup>, the EPA released updated interim guidance on Destroying and Disposing of Certain PFAS chemicals and PFAS-Containing Materials, using newly available information, to assist managers of PFAS waste. A new technology evaluation framework will support managers in assessing the most appropriate destruction, disposal, and storage methods. The recommendations made in the guidance include suggestions for managers to prioritize the use of technologies with the lowest potential for environmental release, generate and publicly release data on whether technologies may be suitable for larger-scale use, and use the available tools to identify and prioritize safeguards for communities located near destruction and disposal facilities. Guidance on destruction technologies include information on interim storage with controls, UIC-permitted class I non-hazardous industrial or hazardous waste injection wells, permitted hazardous waste landfills, and permitted hazardous waste combustors.

- Full text of the guidance can be found [here](#), and a fact sheet can be found [here](#).



### **Reps. Curtis and Perez Introduce Bill to Exempt Utilities from PFAS Regulations**

On April 11<sup>th</sup>, Representatives John Curtis (R-UT) and Marie Perez (D-WA) introduced the Water Systems PFAS Liability Protection Act (H.R.7944). This bill was introduced as a companion bill to a [package of bills](#) introduced by Senator Cynthia Lummis (R-WY) that offers exemptions for water systems, agriculture, airports, fire suppression users, and waste managers.

The Water Systems PFAS Liability Protection Act aims to ensure water utilities can continue to focus their efforts on maintaining water quality by preventing the burden of industrial consequences from being passed on to ratepayers, especially those in small and rural communities. Under this bill, PFAS manufacturers found liable for pollution will be fully responsible for all legal, clean up, and environmental remediation costs.

- The full text of the bill can be found [here](#).

### **House Introduces LIHWAP Companion Bill**

On April 16<sup>th</sup>, Representative Eric Sorenson (D-IL) introduced the Low-Income Household Water Assistance Program (LIHWAP) Establishment Act (H.R.8032), a companion bill to Senator Padilla's Senate version. Like the Senate version, the bill would permanently establish LIHWAP to provide States with federal grants to help working families afford clean drinking water and wastewater services. The program would transition from its origin within the Department of Health and Human Services to the EPA. VSA will keep SCV Water updated on further movement on the LIHWAP legislation.

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

### **Senator Padilla Introduces Drought Relief Legislation**

On April 16<sup>th</sup>, Senator Alex Padilla (D-CA) introduced the "Drought Relief Obtained Using Government Help Today" (DROUGHT) Act (S.4134) to help alleviate the Western water crisis caused by the long-term drought conditions affecting the Colorado River and its reservoirs. The bill would raise the cost assistance for projects under the Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (WIFIA) from a maximum of 80% to 90%. This increase would allow more communities in need to be eligible for long-term, low-interest WIFIA loans. The bill would not affect the obligations to repay the loans, the timeline for repayment, or interest rates. VSA will update SCV Water as more information becomes available.

- The full text of the bill can be found [here](#).

### **Special Districts Grant Assembly Act (H.R.7525) Passes in the House**

On May 6<sup>th</sup>, the House overwhelmingly passed the Special District Grant Assembly Act (H.R. 7525), by a vote of 352-27, which will codify a first-ever definition of a "special district" in federal law and ensure districts are eligible for all appropriate forms of federal financial assistance. The bill was first introduced on March 5<sup>th</sup>, by Representative Pat Fallon (R-TX).

Specifically, this bill will ensure special districts have the resources, autonomy, and flexibility to address the unique challenges and opportunities facing their communities, while requiring the White House Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to issue guidance with 180 days clarifying how a federal agency recognizes a special district as a unit of local government for the purpose of being eligible to receive federal financial assistance.

Under H.R.7525, special districts will be defined as a political subdivision of a State, with specified boundaries and significant budgetary autonomy or control, created by or pursuant to the laws of the State, for the purpose of performing limited and specific governmental or proprietary functions that distinguish it as a significantly separate entity from the administrative governance structure of any other form of local government unit within a State. In more simplified words, special districts are local public agencies created by community residents to deliver specialized services essential to their health, safety, economy, and well-being.

SCV Water sent a letter of support in March 2024 to Congressman Garcia, who then agreed to co-sponsor the legislation. If signed into law, the bill will require federal agencies to implement OMB's guidance within one year of the date it is issued.

- The full text of H.R. 7525 can be found [here](#).

### **DOJ Publishes Rule Under ADA to Increase Accessibility of Online Content**

On April 24<sup>th</sup>, the Civil Rights Division of the Department of Justice (DOJ) introduced the Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Disability; Accessibility of Web Information and Services of State and Local Government Entities rule. This rule revises title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) to establish requirements, including the adoption of technical standards and requirements, to increase accessibility of services, programs, and activities offered by State and Local government entities to the public through web services. When the rule goes into effect, on June 24<sup>th</sup>, State and local governments will be required to make their online services more accessible by following the Web Content Accessibility Guidelines (WCAG) Level AA, developed by the World Wide Web Consortium.

- The full text of the rule can be found [here](#), and a fact sheet can be found [here](#).
- All WCAGs can be found [here](#), and a fact sheet can be found [here](#).

### **White House Announces \$3 Billion for Lead Pipe Replacement**

On May 2<sup>nd</sup>, the EPA announced \$3 billion in funding allocated through the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) for the identification and replacement of lead service lines in the U.S. The funding will be available through the EPA's Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) and will be allocated to all 50 States based on need. The EPA claims with the total funds awarded so far, \$9 billion, the Agency can facilitate the replacement of 1.7 million lead pipes, out of the total of 9 million currently in the U.S., based on the Drinking Water Infrastructure Needs Survey and Assessment.

The EPA released a memorandum along with the funding announcement detailing how the Implement Lead Service Line Replacement projects funded by the DWSRF can best utilize funds to efficiently replace the service lines in the agency's jurisdiction. Also included is a series of outreach documents to aid water systems in community education on drinking water issues, health impacts of lead exposure, service line ownership, and the ability to help identify lead service lines in homes. VSA will update SCV as more information becomes available.

- See the memorandum detailing how the Implement Lead Service Line Replacement projects funded by the DWSRF can efficiently use funding can be found [here](#).
- See the factsheet on community engagement and education [here](#).

### **White House Issues Cyber Security Memorandum**

On April 30<sup>th</sup>, the White House published a national security memorandum on critical infrastructure security and resilience to encourage critical sectors of the economy, including drinking water and wastewater industries, to adhere to improved resilience and security mandates to protect critical infrastructure from physical threats, cyber-attacks, and climate change. The Administration suggests following a risk-based approach that is informed by existing requirements, standards, and guidelines; aligned to reduce redundancy; complimentary to public-private collaboration; and adaptable to evolving risk. In addition to following a risk-based approach, frameworks should enforce accountability, encourage information exchange, leverage expertise and technical resources, utilize global interconnectedness and interdependence of critical infrastructure, align with federal policies, enhance quality of analysis of threats to critical infrastructure, and promote investment in mitigation solutions. The memorandum then breaks down the responsibilities of each individual role within an agency.

Under this new rule, the Secretary of Homeland Security will be developing a National Infrastructure Risk Management Plan informed by individual sector-specific risk assessments and risk management plans, and a cross-sector risk assessment every 2 years.

- The official memorandum can be found [here](#).

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-VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL-

May 8, 2024

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

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May marks an approximate halfway point in the legislative year as all bills must be passed out of their house of origin by May 24 and we receive important budget updates with the Governor's May Revise. Governor Newsom and the Department of Finance will be holding a presentation of the May Revise on Friday, May 10 where we are expected to hear an update on the state's fiscal situation with a new version of the 2024-2025 budget based on updated revenue information. Both the Senate and Assembly Appropriation Committees follow with difficult fiscal decisions the following week, as both have their first round of suspense file hearings on May 16. Hundreds of bills introduced this session impose high costs to the state, and their fate will be decided during the May 16<sup>th</sup> hearing. Both committees have new chairs this year, so with new leadership and fiscal challenges, there are many unknowns as to how significantly the legislative landscape will be affected in the next few weeks.

Please find key legislation we are tracking for SCV Water and relevant regulatory and activity updates below. We will continue to work with SCV Water staff to identify priorities for this legislative year as bills are now moving through the legislative process and continue to be amended. Please do not hesitate to reach out at any time if there are any questions.

## **2024 Legislation**

### **Proposition 218**

**2257 (Wilson) Local government: property-related water and sewer fees and assessments: remedies** authorizes public agencies to adopt procedures for the submittal and consideration of public comments regarding proposed water or sewer fees. If an agency elects to adopt procedures, a person would be required to timely submit written comments that specify the grounds for alleging that the fees do not comply with Proposition 218 in order to challenge the fees in court. Public agencies would be required to provide written responses to all comments received before acting on the proposed fees.

**Status: Passed out of the Assembly Committee on Local Government on May 1 and now on third reading for a vote on the Assembly Floor.**

**Position: Support**

**SB 1072 (Padilla) Local government: Proposition 218: remedies** clarifies that if a water or wastewater rate or charge exceeds the proportional cost of service, the excess revenues would be used to reduce future rates or charges. This bill aids in ongoing Proposition 218 litigation by clarifying that a refund is not an appropriate remedy if fees or charges are determined to not be proportional to the cost of service.

**Status: Passed out of the Senate Committee on Local Government on May 1 and now on third reading for a vote on the Senate Floor.**

**Position: Support**

### **Capacity Fees**

**[SB 937 \(Wiener\) Development projects: permits and other entitlements: fees and charges](#)** provides that local agencies may not charge connection or capacity fees until a certificate of occupancy is issued and would prohibit charging interest or other fees on any amount deferred.

**Status: In Senate Appropriations Committee.**

**[SB 1210 \(Skinner\) New housing construction: electrical, gas, sewer, and water service connections: charges](#)** requires starting in 2026, for new housing construction, each utility to publicly post on its website: 1) The schedule of fees for a service connection, capacity, or other point of connection charge for each housing development type, as specified. This requirement would not apply to a utility that continues to post a schedule of their fees with this information pursuant to Section 65940.1 of the Government Code; and 2) The estimated timeframes for completing typical service connections needed for each housing development type, as specified.

*This bill has been significantly amended and improved. ACWA will be discussing a change from Oppose to Watch on May 17.*

**Status: In Senate Appropriations Committee.**

### **Groundwater**

**[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 awaiting referral to a Senate Policy Committee.**

**[AB 2079 \(Bennett\) Groundwater extraction: large-diameter, high-capacity wells: permits](#)** mandates pre-approval actions for Local Enforcement Agencies (LEAs) before determining whether to approve a permit for a new large-diameter, high capacity well and requires Groundwater Sustainability Agencies (GSAs) to provide specific information to LEAs. The bill prohibits permit approval for large-diameter, high capacity wells if located within one-quarter mile of a well used for supplying domestic water to one or more persons or to a community. It also allows LEAs to impose more stringent restrictions.

*ACWA is opposed unless amended and has a working group on this bill.*

**Status: In Assembly Appropriations Committee.**

### **Misc.**

**[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**

[AB 2947 \(Lackey\) Water: turfgrass conversion](#) requires the Department of Water Resources (DWR), when it allocates funding for turf replacement programs from funding appropriated for water conservation purposes, to not exclude turfgrass conversion rebate programs that meet specified conditions.

**Status: In Assembly Appropriations Committee.**

### **Water Rights**

We have participated in recent stakeholder meetings and efforts on the water rights issues are they could be heard again in committees this June. Some outreach has occurred with Senator Padilla who was the essential “holdout vote” last year in Senate Natural Resources. The Senator and his office have been speaking with other southern CA water entities to discuss what possible amendments and resolutions can be achieved. The water rights legislation could impact State Water Contractors’ underlying priorities, but are focused on older, pre-1914 water rights.

[AB 460 \(Bauer-Kahan\) State Water Resources Control Board: water rights and usage: interim relief: procedures.](#) enhances the authority of the State Water Resources Control Board by authorizing the Board to issue interim relief orders to diverters or users of water in adjudicative proceedings. The bill would also authorize the State Water Board to enforce the orders by imposing requirements on water users that could include curtailing diversions, imposing new minimum streamflow requirements, directing reservoir operations, requiring the diverter to conduct technical studies, and more. The bill increases civil penalties in an amount not to exceed \$10,000 for each day and \$2,500 for each acre-foot of water diverted in violation of the interim relief order.

**Status: Two-year bill.**

**Position: Oppose**

[AB 1337 \(Wicks\) State Water Resources Control Board: water shortage enforcement](#) authorizes the State Water Board to adopt wide-ranging regulations and enforce them through curtailing diversions or use of water under any claim of right. The bill would not require the State Water Board to hold a hearing before issuing curtailments. This bill would strip water right holders of their constitutional due process guarantee and create significant uncertainty for communities and industries that depend on a reliable supply of water that California’s existing water rights system ensures.

**Status: Two-year bill.**

**Position: Oppose**

### **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.**

## **Budget**

In April, California's corporate tax collections fell \$554 million short of administrative forecasts and net personal income tax were \$137 million below what the administration had forecasted. This information further contributed to a year-to-date revenue shortfall likely exceeding \$6 billion. The upcoming May Revise to be released on May 10 is expected to reflect these lowered revenue estimates. Due to the "early action" on the budget which the legislature and Governor passed and signed in April, the deficit reported could be much lower than originally reported – down to as low as \$8 billion according to one method of calculation.

As reported in April, the "early action" refers to [AB 106](#), which reduces the General Fund's shortfall by \$1.6 billion. Coupled with other components of the [Early Action Agreement](#), the total amount of "solutions" is \$17.3 billion over a three-year period and more specifically contains approximately \$3.6 billion in reductions (primarily to one-time funding), \$5.2 billion in revenue and borrowing, \$5.2 billion in delays and deferrals, and \$3.4 billion in shifts of costs from the general fund to other state funds.

## **ACWA SLC Update**

We continue to represent SCV Water on ACWA's State Legislative Committee (SLC), which met most recently on Tuesday, April 30 for an urgent meeting to address just one bill, and prior to that on April 11. During their full meeting on April 11, There were eleven bills up for discussion with the outcome being four "favor" positions adopted, four bills to "watch," two bills that ACWA will "watch and amend," and one position of "oppose unless amended."

The bills with "favor" positions included, [AB 2409 \(Papan\) Office of Planning and Research: permitting accountability transparency dashboard](#) which

Three of the bills that ACWA adopted a "favor" position on would have addressed implementation challenges with Advanced Clean Fleets regulations. Two of the bills, [AB 2626 \(Dixon\) Advanced Clean](#)



[Fleets regulations: local governments](#) and [AB 3219 \(Sanchez\) Advanced Clean Fleets Regulation: local governments](#), did not receive a hearing or vote in a policy committee and therefore have failed to pass the legislative deadlines and will not be moving forward. [SB 1393 \(Niello\) Advanced Clean Fleets Regulation Appeals Advisory Committee](#), would have established an advisory committee specified members who must meet monthly to hear appeals from individuals who sought exemption from the Advanced Clean Fleets regulations and must then consider and report to the California Air Resources Board its recommendations on those appeals. This bill failed to pass out of the Senate Environmental Quality Committee and therefore will also not be moving forward this year.

SLC's oppose unless amended position was taken on [SB 1188 \(Laird\) Drinking water: technical, managerial, and financial standards](#), which requires the State Water Board to develop and adopt minimum standards related to the technical, managerial, and financial (TMF) capacity of public water systems with fewer than 10,000 service connections.

On April 30, ACWA adopted an oppose unless amended position on [AB 2614 \(Ramos\) Water policy: California tribal communities](#), which codifies legislative findings and declarations that tribal water uses must be protected through the statewide program for the control of the quality of all the waters of the state; and allows for tribal water uses to be a primary factor in determining the highest water quality that is reasonable in all regulatory decisions. Concerns with the bill as currently in print include placing one beneficial use as a primary consideration over others and a lack of clarity in definitions and information. ACWA staff comments stated how existing law already requires the State Water Board and all regional boards to make a concise, programmatic finding on potential environmental justice, tribal impact, and racial equity considerations related to the adoption of water quality control plans or state policies for water quality control, including amendments to existing plans or policies.

ACWA's SLC meets next on May 17, 2024.

## **Regulatory and Administrative Actions**

### **Hexavalent Chromium Maximum Contaminant Level**

April 17, the State Water Board adopted a Maximum Contaminant Level for Hexavalent Chromium and certifying final Environmental Impact Report during its regular Board Meeting. The proposed Cr(VI) MCL is 0.010 milligrams per liter (mg/L) (or 10 parts per billion). Please find additional information including the [proposed regulatory text](#) from the SWRCB [HERE](#).

### **Water Supply and Demand Assessment**

April 30, DWR held an informational meeting to discuss the next round of the Annual Water Supply and Demand Assessment (AWSDA). Urban water suppliers are required to submit an AWSDA to DWR through the WUE data Portal by July 1. More information can be found [HERE](#).

### **California Water Plan: Resource Management Strategies**

On May 1, DWR released a public review draft of its 11 Resource Management Strategies (RMS). Each RMS includes techniques, programs, or policies that can be used by local agencies and governments to meet their water-related management needs. Please find the RMS [HERE](#) and note that public comments are due on May 31.

### **Advanced Clean Fleets**

April 23, the California Air Resources Board shared an informational post about the Advanced Clean Fleets (ACF) regulation. The post discusses the ACF calculator tool, which helps fleet owners project the number of zero-emission vehicles (ZEV) needed to comply with the High Priority Fleets Model Year Schedule of the ZEV Milestones Option. The post also discusses Hybrid and Zero-Emission Truck and Bus Voucher Incentive Project (HVIP) incentive tools like the HVIP Vehicle Catalog and HVIP Purchaser Resources. Please find the informational post [HERE](#).

## **Administrative Appointments**

### **John Yarbrough, Deputy Director, State Water Project**

John Yarbrough, of Sacramento, has been appointed Deputy Director of the State Water Project at the California Department of Water Resources. Yarbrough has been Assistant Deputy Director at the Department of Water Resources since 2019 and served in several positions there from 1999 to 2005, including Principal Engineer, Supervising Hydroelectric Utility Engineer, Senior Engineer and Engineer. Yarbrough was on the Board of Directors for the Northwest Hydroelectric Association from 2020 to 2023. He earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Civil Engineering from the University of California, Davis, a Master of Science degree in Civil Engineering from California State University, Sacramento, and a Master of Business Administration degree from the University of California, Davis.

### **Zoe Heller, Director, CalRecycle**

Zoe Heller, of Sacramento, has been appointed Director of the California Department of Resources, Recycling, and Recovery. Heller has been Deputy Director of the Division of Circular Economy at the California Department of Resources, Recycling, and Recovery since 2023 and served in several roles there from 2017 to 2022, including Deputy Director of the Materials Management and Local Assistance Division and Deputy Director of Policy Development. Heller held multiple roles at the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency from 2006 to 2017, including Manager of the Zero Waste Section, Special Assistant to Regional Administrator, and Environmental Protection Specialist. She was a Research and Policy Analyst at the Center for Neighborhood Technology from 2004 to 2006. Heller earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Environmental Policy from Eckerd College and a Master of Public Administration degree from Roosevelt University.

### **Adrienne Mohan ,San Gabriel and Lower Los Angeles Rivers and Mountains Conservancy**

Adrienne Mohan, of Long Beach, has been appointed to the San Gabriel and Lower Los Angeles Rivers and Mountains Conservancy. Mohan has been Executive Director at the Palos Verdes Conservancy since 2019, where she has held multiple roles since 2010, including Conservation Director and Stewardship Associate. She was a Restoration Program Assistant at the California Coastal Commission from 2009 to 2010. She earned a Master of Arts degree in Geography from California State University, Long Beach. The [San Gabriel and Lower Los Angeles Rivers and Mountains Conservancy territory](#) includes all or part of four rivers: the mostly concrete-lined Los Angeles River, the partially-contained San Gabriel and Santa Ana Rivers, and the free-flowing Santa Clara River.

### **Justin Ong, Technical Advisor II, California Public Utilities Commission**

Justin Ong, of Walnut Creek, has been appointed Technical Advisor II at the California Public Utilities Commission. Ong has been Chief Policy Advisor in the Public Advocates Office at the California Public Utilities Commission since 2023 and was Senior Policy Advisor in the Public Advocates Office from 2022 to 2023. Ong was a Senior Fellow at the California Natural Resources Agency from 2021 to 2022. He was a Program Director and Policy Associate at ClearPath from 2014 to 2021. Ong was a Research Program Participant at the National Renewable Energy Laboratory in 2014. He was a Stanback Fellow at the Rocky

Mountain Institute in 2013. Ong was a Climate and Energy Policy Assistant at the Duke Nicholas Institute for Energy, Environment, and Sustainability from 2012 to 2013. He earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Environmental Science and a Bachelor of Arts degree in Economics from the University of California, Los Angeles and a Master of Environmental Management degree from Duke University.

### **California Advocates, Inc. Activity Report**

- Followed up with stakeholders and legislative staff regarding legislation, budget, and regulatory inquiries.
- Participated in AB 2079 (Bennett) coalition meetings discussing specific concerns and possible amendments.
- Participated in the Southern California Water Coalition legislative meeting.
- Met with legislators and key staff regarding support for water and climate change legislative bonds.
- Testified in committees on bills with positions.
- Participated in stakeholder and coalition meetings on water rights bills.
- Participated in ACWA State Legislative Committee meeting and Region 8 discussions on behalf of Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency.

### **Important Dates and Deadlines for 2024**

#### **May**

- May 10 Last day for policy committees to meet prior to May 28
- May 10 Governor Newsom will Release Revised Budget Plan (May Revise), based on updated revenue estimates.
- May 17 Last day for fiscal committees to meet prior to May 28
- May 24 Last day for each house to pass bills introduced in that house.
- May 28 Committee hearings may resume.

#### **June**

- June 15 Budget bill must be passed by midnight.

#### **July**

- July 3 Last day for policy committees to meet and report bills and the beginning of Summer Recess begins upon adjournment, provided the Budget Bill has been passed.

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**[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				

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**[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.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

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**[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.

<b>Organization</b>	<b>Assigned</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Priority</b>	<b>Subject</b>	<b>Group</b>
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

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**[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.

<b>Organization</b>	<b>Assigned</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Priority</b>	<b>Subject</b>	<b>Group</b>
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

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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.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

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**[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.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

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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.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

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[AB 457](#) ([Aguiar-Curry D](#)) **Beverage containers: recycling: redemption payment and refund value.** ( Amended: 4/24/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#) )

**Status:** 4/25/2024-Read second time. Ordered to third reading. Re-referred to Com. on RLS pursuant to Senate Rule 29.10(C).

**Location:** 4/25/2024-S. RLS.

**Summary:** The California Beverage Container Recycling and Litter Reduction Act, a violation of which is a crime, requires a distributor to pay to the Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery a redemption payment for every beverage container sold or offered for sale in the state. The act requires the department to deposit those amounts into the California Beverage Container Recycling Fund. The fund is continuously appropriated to, among other things, pay refund values and administrative fees to processors that receive empty beverage containers from recyclers. The act specifies that a beverage container that is a box, bladder, or pouch, or similar container, containing wine or distilled spirits has a redemption payment and refund value of \$0.25. This bill would instead specify that a beverage container that is a box, bladder, or pouch, or similar container, containing wine or distilled spirits has a redemption payment and refund value of \$0.10 for a beverage container with a capacity of less than 24 fluid ounces and \$0.20 for a beverage container with a capacity of 24 fluid ounces or more. By expanding the scope of a crime, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program. This bill contains other existing laws.

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

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[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:** 5/1/2024-Referred to Com. on E.Q.

**Location:** 5/1/2024-S. E.Q.

**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		AA - No Folder		

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

**Status:** 5/1/2024-Referred to Coms. on L. GOV. and JUD.

**Location:** 5/1/2024-S. L. GOV.

**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		AA - No Folder		

**AB 828** **(Connolly D) Sustainable groundwater management: managed wetlands.** (

Amended: 1/11/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#) )

**Status:** 5/1/2024-Referred to Com. on N.R. & W.

**Location:** 5/1/2024-S. N.R. & W.

**Summary:** Existing law, the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act, requires all groundwater basins designated as high- or medium-priority basins by the Department of Water Resources 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:** 5/1/2024-Referred to Com. on E.Q.

**Location:** 5/1/2024-S. E.Q.

**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](#) (Aguiar-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.

<b>Organization</b>	<b>Assigned</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Priority</b>	<b>Subject</b>	<b>Group</b>
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

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**[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.

<b>Organization</b>	<b>Assigned</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Priority</b>	<b>Subject</b>	<b>Group</b>
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

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**[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:** 5/1/2024-Referred to Com. on N.R. & W.

**Location:** 5/1/2024-S. N.R. & W.

**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		

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**[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				

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**[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	DKA				

**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 1785 (Pacheco D) California Public Records Act.** ( Amended: 4/3/2024 [html pdf](#) )

**Status:** 4/25/2024-Read third time. Passed. Ordered to the Senate. (Ayes 75. Noes 0.) In Senate. Read first time. To Com. on RLS. for assignment.

**Location:** 4/25/2024-S. RLS.

**Summary:** The California Public Records Act requires state and local agencies to make their records available for public inspection, unless an exemption from disclosure applies. The act prohibits a state or local agency from posting the home address or telephone number of any elected or appointed official on the internet without first obtaining the written permission of that individual. This bill would instead prohibit a state or local agency from publicly posting, as defined, the home address, telephone number, or both the name and assessor parcel number associated with the home address of any elected or appointed official on the internet without first obtaining the written permission of that individual. By expanding the scope of a current provision and thereby increasing the duties of local agencies, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program. This bill contains

other related provisions and other existing laws.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

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**[AB 1798](#) (Papan D) Department of Transportation: contaminated stormwater runoff: salmon and steelhead trout bearing surface waters.** ( Amended: 4/3/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#) )

**Status:** 4/24/2024-In committee: Set, first hearing. Referred to suspense file.

**Location:** 4/24/2024-A. APPR. SUSPENSE FILE

**Summary:** Existing law vests the Department of Transportation with full possession and control of all state highways. Under existing law, the State Water Resources Control Board and the 9 California regional water quality control boards regulate water quality. This bill would require the department, in conjunction with the State Water Resources Control Board, 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 state board to establish the parameters of the department's programmatic environmental review process, as specified, and, to the extent practical, with the department, consult with the States of Washington and Oregon in the development of the programmatic environmental review process. The bill would require the department's 6PPD and 6PPD-quinone programmatic environmental review process to include specified components, including 5 pilot projects at specified locations to study the effectiveness and cost effectiveness of installing and maintaining bioretention and biofiltration comparatively along department rights-of-way to eliminate the discharge of 6PPD and 6PPD-quinone into surface waters of the state, as specified. The bill would require all information provided by the department to the state board pursuant to these provisions be made publicly available through the state board's stormwater data collection system.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

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**[AB 1820](#) (Schiavo D) Housing development projects: applications: fees and exactions.** ( Amended: 4/29/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#) )

**Status:** 4/30/2024-Re-referred to Com. on APPR.

**Location:** 4/25/2024-A. APPR.

**Summary:** Existing law requires a city or county to deem an applicant for a housing development project to have submitted a preliminary application upon providing specified information about the proposed project to the city or county from which approval for the project is being sought. Existing law requires a housing development project be subject only to the ordinances, policies, and standards adopted and in effect when the preliminary application was submitted. This bill would authorize a development proponent that submits a preliminary application for a housing development project to request a preliminary fee and exaction estimate, as defined, and would require the local agency to provide the estimate within 30 business days of the submission of the preliminary application. For development fees imposed by an agency other than a city or county, the bill would require the development proponent to request the fee schedule from the agency that imposes the fee. The bill would specify that the preliminary fee and exaction estimate is for informational purposes only and does not affect the scope, amount, or time of payment of any fee or exaction, as

specified. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA		AA - No Folder		

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**[AB 1827](#) ([Papan D](#)) Local government: fees and charges: water: higher consumptive water parcels. ( Amended: 4/4/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#) )**

**Status:** 4/29/2024-Read second time. Ordered to third reading.

**Location:** 4/29/2024-A. THIRD READING

**Calendar:** 5/9/2024 #56 ASSEMBLY THIRD READING FILE - ASSEMBLY BILLS

**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. Existing law, known as the Proposition 218 Omnibus Implementation Act, prescribes specific procedures and parameters for local jurisdictions to comply with these requirements and, among other things, authorizes an agency providing water, wastewater, sewer, or refuse collection services to adopt a schedule of fees or charges authorizing automatic adjustments that pass through increases in wholesale charges for water, sewage treatment, or wastewater treatment or adjustments for inflation under certain circumstances. Existing law defines, among other terms, the term “water” for these purposes to mean any system of public improvements intended to provide for the production, storage, supply, treatment, or distribution of water from any source. 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 incrementally higher costs of water service associated with higher water usage demands, the maximum potential water use, or projected peak water usage 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 projected peak water usage. 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		AA - No Folder		

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**[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. ( Amended: 3/7/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#) )**

**Status:** 5/1/2024-Referred to Coms. on REV. & TAX. and N.R. & W.

**Location:** 5/1/2024-S. 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.** ( Amended: 4/8/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#) )

**Status:** 4/24/2024-In committee: Set, first hearing. Referred to suspense file.

**Location:** 4/24/2024-A. APPR. SUSPENSE FILE

**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, if an appropriation is made for this purpose, to establish a pilot program to test for and remediate lead contamination in drinking water at participating local educational agency facilities with plumbing that was installed before January 1, 2010. The bill would require the Superintendent to select no fewer than 6 and no more than 10 local educational agencies for participation in the pilot program and, if a selected local educational agency consents to participate in the pilot program, the bill would require the Superintendent to provide grants to the participating local educational agencies for testing and remediating drinking water lead levels at eligible facilities. If sampling results show lead levels in excess of 5 parts per billion for any potable water system outlet, the bill would require a participating local educational agency to notify the parents and guardians of pupils who attend the school of the elevated lead levels, as provided, to take immediate steps to shut down all potable water system outlets where excess lead levels may exist, and 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.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA		AA - No Folder		

**[AB 1881](#)** (**[Davies R](#)**) **California Coastal Commission: scientific panel expertise: coastal erosion.** ( Amended: 3/11/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#) )

**Status:** 5/1/2024-Referred to Com. on N.R. & W.

**Location:** 5/1/2024-S. N.R. & W.

**Summary:** The California Coastal Act of 1976 establishes in the Natural Resources Agency the California Coastal Commission and provides for the planning and regulation of development in the coastal zone, as defined. The act requires the commission, if it determines that it has sufficient resources, to establish one or more scientific panels to review technical documents and reports, among other things. The act requires the panel or panels to be composed of, but not limited to, persons with expertise and training in specified topics, including coastal geomorphology. This bill would include persons with expertise and training in the topic of coastal erosion as part of the composition of the panel described above.

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:** 4/25/2024-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(5). (Last location was W.,P. & W. on 2/12/2024)

**Location:** 4/25/2024-A. DEAD

**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:** 5/2/2024-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(6). (Last location was PRINT on 1/30/2024)

**Location:** 5/2/2024-A. DEAD

**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 2060](#) (Soria D) Lake and streambed alteration agreements: exemptions.** ( Amended: 4/16/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#) )

**Status:** 4/23/2024-From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on APPR. (Ayes 13. Noes 0.) (April 23). Re-referred to Com. on APPR.

**Location:** 4/23/2024-A. APPR.

**Calendar:** 5/8/2024 9:30 a.m. - 1021 O Street, Room 1100  
ASSEMBLY APPROPRIATIONS, WICKS, BUFFY, Chair

**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, until January 1, 2029, an exemption for the diversion of floodflows for groundwater recharge, as provided. This bill would indefinitely exempt from these provisions the temporary operation of existing infrastructure or temporary pumps being used to divert water to underground storage as long as certain conditions are met, including the use of protective screens on temporary pump intakes, as provided, for diversions directly from rivers or streams.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

**[AB 2069](#) (Gallagher R) Sale of soju and shochu.** ( Introduced: 2/5/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#) )

**Status:** 5/2/2024-Read second time. Ordered to Consent Calendar.

**Location:** 5/1/2024-A. CONSENT CALENDAR

**Calendar:** 5/9/2024 #126 ASSEMBLY CONSENT CALENDAR 2ND DAY-ASSEMBLY BILLS

**Summary:** The Alcoholic Beverage Control Act provides for the issuance of various categories of alcoholic beverage licenses, including the imposition of fees, conditions, and restrictions in

connection with the issuance of those licenses. The act provides that any on-sale licensee authorized to sell wine may also sell soju, an imported Korean alcoholic beverage, as specified, and shochu, an imported Japanese alcoholic beverage, as specified. This bill would provide that any on-sale licensee authorized to sell wine may also sell domestically produced soju and shochu, as specified.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

**AB 2079 (Bennett D) Groundwater extraction: large-diameter, high-capacity water wells: permits. (Amended: 4/25/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#).)**

**Status:** 4/29/2024-Re-referred to Com. on APPR.

**Location:** 4/23/2024-A. APPR.

**Calendar:** 5/8/2024 9:30 a.m. - 1021 O Street, Room 1100  
ASSEMBLY APPROPRIATIONS, WICKS, BUFFY, Chair

**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 requires the State Water Resources Control Board to adopt a model water well, cathodic protection well, and monitoring well drilling and abandonment ordinance implementing certain standards for water well construction, maintenance, and abandonment and requires each county, city, or water agency, where appropriate, to adopt a water well, cathodic protection well, and monitoring well drilling and abandonment ordinance that meets or exceeds certain standards. Under existing law, if a county, city, or water agency, where appropriate, fails to adopt an ordinance establishing water well, cathodic protection well, and monitoring well drilling and abandonment standards, the model ordinance adopted by the state board is required to take effect, and is required to be enforced by the county or city and have the same force and effect as if adopted as a county or city ordinance. This bill would require a local enforcement agency, as defined, to perform specified activities at least 30 days before determining whether to approve a permit for a new large-diameter, high-capacity well, as defined. By imposing additional requirements on a local enforcement agency, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program. The bill would require, if the proposed large-diameter, high-capacity well is to be located in an area subject to management by a groundwater sustainability agency, the applicable groundwater sustainability agency, upon notice of a permit application, to provide specified information to the local enforcement agency, including, but not limited to, the name of the applicable groundwater sustainability agency, the agency manager and contact information, and the applicable sustainable management criteria related to groundwater levels, including the groundwater level measurable objectives and minimum thresholds. The bill would require a local enforcement agency, before approving a permit for a large-diameter, high capacity well, to provide specified information to the applicant. The bill would prescribe certain standards a local enforcement agency would be required to follow in the approval or denial of the permit, including the location of the proposed large-diameter, high capacity well and specified geological and water supply considerations. The bill would provide exemptions for its provisions for specified water wells. The bill would provide that its provisions apply only to applications for permits for the construction, maintenance, abandonment, or destruction of water wells in basins identified in the Department of Water Resources Bulletin 118. This bill contains other

related provisions and other existing laws.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA		AA - No Folder		

**[AB 2162](#) (Papan D) Shellfish and seaweed operations: marine restoration projects. (**

Introduced: 2/6/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#) )

**Status:** 5/2/2024-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(6). (Last location was PRINT on 2/6/2024)

**Location:** 5/2/2024-A. DEAD

**Summary:** Existing law requires the owner of each aquaculture facility to register with the Department of Fish and Wildlife. Existing law authorizes the department, among other powers, to prohibit an aquaculture operation or the culturing of any species at any location where it is determined it would be detrimental to adjacent native wildlife. Existing law also authorizes the Fish and Game Commission to regulate the taking, collecting, harvesting, gathering, or possession of kelp for purposes other than profit. This bill would declare the intent of the Legislature to enact subsequent legislation to consider innovative new approaches to permitting efficiency and thereby encourage sustainable shellfish and seaweed operations and marine restoration projects. The bill would also make related findings and declarations.

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:** 5/2/2024-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(6). (Last location was PRINT on 2/7/2024)

**Location:** 5/2/2024-A. DEAD

**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: Imperial Irrigation District: electricity: assessment and inventory of assets. ( Amended: 3/21/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#) )**

**Status:** 4/18/2024-From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on APPR. (Ayes 12. Noes 0.) (April 17). Re-referred to Com. on APPR.

**Location:** 4/17/2024-A. APPR.

**Calendar:** 5/8/2024 9:30 a.m. - 1021 O Street, Room 1100  
ASSEMBLY APPROPRIATIONS, WICKS, BUFFY, Chair

**Summary:** Existing law requires the California State Auditor to conduct financial and performance

audits as directed by statute. Existing law authorizes the California State Auditor to conduct these audits of any state agency, any local governmental agency, including any city, county, and school or special district, or any publicly created entity. Existing law affirms that irrigation districts are state agencies formed and existing for governmental purposes. Existing law authorizes an irrigation district to sell, dispose of, and distribute electricity for use outside of the district's boundaries. This bill would require the California State Auditor's Office to conduct a comprehensive assessment and inventory of the Imperial Irrigation District's assets related to its distribution of electricity, as provided. The bill would require the California State Auditor, on or before September 30, 2025, to submit the assessment and inventory to the Legislature, as provided.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

**[AB 2196](#) (Connolly D) Beaver restoration.** ( Amended: 3/19/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#) )

**Status:** 4/24/2024-In committee: Set, first hearing. Referred to suspense file.

**Location:** 4/24/2024-A. APPR. SUSPENSE FILE

**Summary:** Existing law, except as provided, authorizes any owner or tenant of land or property that is being damaged or destroyed or is in danger of being damaged or destroyed by certain animals, including, among others, the beaver, to apply to the Department of Fish and Wildlife for a permit to kill the animals. Under existing law, it is unlawful for any person to trap any fur-bearing mammal for purposes of recreation or commerce in fur. Under existing law, a violation of the Fish and Game Code, or of any rule, regulation, or order made or adopted under that code, is a crime. This bill would require the department to, through consultation with beaver restoration program partners, as defined, develop a program to promote beaver restoration across California, as provided. Because a violation of the program's requirements 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 2214](#) (Bauer-Kahan D) Ocean Protection Council: microplastics.** ( Amended: 4/17/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#) )

**Status:** 5/1/2024-In committee: Set, first hearing. Referred to suspense file.

**Location:** 5/1/2024-A. APPR. SUSPENSE FILE

**Summary:** Existing law, the California Ocean Protection Act, establishes the Ocean Protection Council in state government to coordinate activities of state agencies that are related to the protection and conservation of coastal waters and ocean ecosystems to improve the effectiveness of state efforts to protect ocean resources within existing fiscal limitations, among other duties. Existing law requires, to the extent that funds are available from bonds or other sources, including from federal, state, academic, or other public or private entities, on or before December 31, 2024, the council to adopt and implement a Statewide Microplastics Strategy related to microplastic materials that pose an emerging concern for ocean health. This bill would require, on or before March 1, 2025, the council to establish and lead an interagency coordination group, and would require the council, in coordination with the interagency coordination group, to identify and recommend to the Legislature, on or before December 31, 2025, statutory changes that are needed to implement the recommendations described in the Statewide Microplastics Strategy, as specified.

The bill would require the council, in coordination with the interagency coordination group, to adopt a workplan, on or before December 31, 2025, outlining which participating agencies within the interagency coordination group will implement the recommendations. The bill would require the workplan to be provided to the Legislature on or before December 31, 2025. The bill would repeal these provisions on January 1, 2029.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

**[AB 2220](#) (Bennett D) Fish: commercial fishing.** ( Introduced: 2/7/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#) )

**Status:** 4/25/2024-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(5). (Last location was W.,P. & W. on 2/26/2024)

**Location:** 4/25/2024-A. DEAD

**Summary:** Existing law establishes the Department of Fish and Wildlife in the Natural Resources Agency. Existing law generally regulates commercial fishing. Under existing law, any violation of the Fish and Game Code, or of any rule, regulation, or order made or adopted under the code, is a crime. This bill would authorize the department to adopt and enforce regulations to require any commercial fishing vessel operating with a validly issued permit from the state to carry an independent third-party observer onboard the vessel while operating within state fisheries. By expanding the scope of 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 2252](#) (Mathis R) Department of Fish and Wildlife: beaver translocation.** ( Introduced: 2/8/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#) )

**Status:** 4/24/2024-In committee: Set, first hearing. Referred to suspense file.

**Location:** 4/24/2024-A. APPR. SUSPENSE FILE

**Summary:** Existing law establishes the Department of Fish and Wildlife and sets forth the duties of the department, which include administering various programs for the protection and conservation of fish and wildlife resources. Existing law, except as provided, authorizes any owner or tenant of land or property that is being damaged or destroyed or is in danger of being damaged or destroyed by certain animals, including, among others, the beaver, to apply to the department for a permit to kill the animals. Under existing law, it is unlawful for any person to trap any fur-bearing mammal for purposes of recreation or commerce in fur. A violation of any provision of the Fish and Game Code, or any rule, regulation, or order made or adopted under those provisions, is a misdemeanor, unless otherwise specified. This bill would require the department to develop a program to facilitate the translocation of beavers across California for conservation purposes, as provided. Because a violation of any rule, regulation, or order related to the beaver translocation program 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

**[AB 2256](#) (Friedman D) Net energy metering.** ( Amended: 4/29/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#) )

**Status:** 4/30/2024-Re-referred to Com. on APPR.

**Location:** 4/24/2024-A. APPR.

**Summary:** Existing law vests the Public Utilities Commission with regulatory authority over public utilities, including electrical corporations. Existing law requires every electric utility, defined to include electrical corporations, local publicly owned electric utilities, and electrical cooperatives, to develop a standard contract or tariff for net energy metering, as defined, for generation by a renewable electrical generation facility, as defined, and to make this contract or tariff available to eligible customer-generators, as defined, upon request on a first-come-first-served basis until the time that the total rated generating capacity used by eligible customer-generators exceeds 5% of the electric utility's aggregate customer peak demand. Existing law requires the commission to have developed a 2nd standard contract or tariff for each large electrical corporation, as defined, to provide net energy metering to additional eligible customer-generators in the electrical corporation's service territory and imposes no limitation on the number of new eligible customer-generators entitled to receive service pursuant to this 2nd standard contract or tariff. Existing law authorizes the commission to revise the 2nd standard contract or tariff as appropriate. Pursuant to that authorization, the commission has instituted rulemakings and issued decisions relating to the 2nd standard contract or tariff. This bill would require the commission to conduct an independent cost-of-service analysis evaluating the standard contract or tariff developed by the commission in a specified decision. This bill contains other existing laws.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

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**[AB 2257](#) (Wilson D) Local government: property-related water and sewer fees and assessments: remedies.** ( Amended: 4/23/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#) )

**Status:** 5/2/2024-Read second time. Ordered to third reading.

**Location:** 5/2/2024-A. THIRD READING

**Calendar:** 5/9/2024 #79 ASSEMBLY THIRD READING FILE - ASSEMBLY BILLS

**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 notice, hearing, and protest procedures, depending on the character of the assessment, fee, or charge. Existing law, known as the Proposition 218 Omnibus Implementation Act, prescribes specific procedures and parameters for local jurisdictions to comply with these requirements. This bill would prohibit, if a local agency complies with specified procedures, a person or entity from bringing a judicial action or proceeding alleging noncompliance with the constitutional provisions for any new, increased, or extended fee or assessment, as defined, unless that person or entity has timely submitted to the local agency a written objection to that fee or assessment that specifies the grounds for alleging noncompliance, as specified. This bill would provide that local agency responses to the timely submitted written objections shall go to the weight of the evidence supporting the agency's compliance with the substantive limitations on fees and assessments imposed by the constitutional provisions. The bill would also prohibit an independent cause of action as to the adequacy of the local agency's responses. This bill would, if the local agency complies with the specified procedures,

provide that in any judicial action or proceeding to review, invalidate, challenge, set aside, rescind, void, or annul the fee or assessment for failure to comply with the procedural and substantive requirements of specified constitutional provisions in the fee or assessment setting process, the court's review is limited to a record of proceedings containing specified documents, except as otherwise provided. The bill would provide that this limitation does not preclude any civil action related to a local agency's failure to implement a fee or assessment in compliance with the manner adopted by the local agency. The bill would make related findings and declarations. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

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

**[AB 2266](#) (Petrie-Norris D) California Hybrid and Zero-Emission Truck and Bus Voucher Incentive Project: vehicle eligibility.** ( Introduced: 2/8/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#) )

**Status:** 4/25/2024-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(5). (Last location was TRANS. on 2/26/2024)

**Location:** 4/25/2024-A. DEAD

**Summary:** Existing law establishes the State Air Resources Board as the state agency responsible for monitoring and regulating sources emitting greenhouse gases. The state board, in this capacity, administers the California Hybrid and Zero-Emission Truck and Bus Voucher Incentive Project under which the agency issues a limited number of vouchers to incentivize the purchase and use of zero-emission commercial vehicles. This bill would require the state board to authorize a voucher issued under the program to be used for the acquisition of any zero-emission vehicle that meets specified requirements.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

**[AB 2285](#) (Rendon D) Natural resources: equitable outdoor access: 30x30 goal: urban nature-based projects.** ( Amended: 4/15/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#) )

**Status:** 5/1/2024-In committee: Set, first hearing. Referred to suspense file.

**Location:** 5/1/2024-A. APPR. SUSPENSE FILE

**Summary:** By Executive Order No. N-82-20, Governor Gavin Newsom directed the Natural Resources Agency to combat the biodiversity and climate crises by, among other things, establishing the California Biodiversity Collaborative and conserving at least 30% of the state's lands and coastal waters by 2030. Existing law requires the Secretary of the Natural Resources Agency to prepare and submit, on or before March 31, 2024, and annually thereafter, a report to the Legislature on the progress made in the prior calendar year toward achieving the goal to conserve 30% of California's lands and coastal waters by 2030. Existing law provides that it is the goal of the state to conserve at least 30% of California's lands and coastal waters by 2030, known as the 30x30 goal. This bill would provide that, to advance and promote environmental, conservation, and public access policies and budget actions, the Governor's office, state agencies, and the Legislature, when distributing resources, shall aspire to recognize the coequal goals and benefits of the 30x30 goal and Outdoors for All, and, to the extent practical, maximize investment in urban communities consistent with those initiatives. The bill would encourage decisionmakers, when distributing

resources to achieve the goals and benefits of the 30x30 goal and Outdoors for All, to consider factors that are unique to urban settings, including, among other things, higher land value acquisition and development costs per acre, the acute health needs of a local population due to historic lack of greenspace access and development externalities, local park needs assessment plans, and the availability of mobility options near a proposed land conservation site. The bill would encourage regulatory agencies, including the Department of Toxic Substances Control, to work with local communities to restore degraded lands that could contribute to a more equitable strategy for meeting the state’s environmental, conservation, and public access goals. The bill would require state funding agencies, including certain state conservancies and the Wildlife Conservation Board, to allow for urban nature-based projects on degraded lands that are consistent with the state’s goals to be eligible and competitive for state funds. This bill contains other existing laws.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

**[AB 2302](#) (Addis D) Open meetings: local agencies: teleconferences.** ( Introduced: 2/12/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#) )

**Status:** 4/15/2024-Read second time. Ordered to third reading.

**Location:** 4/15/2024-A. THIRD READING

**Calendar:** 5/9/2024 #22 ASSEMBLY THIRD READING FILE - ASSEMBLY BILLS

**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 specified circumstances if, during the teleconference meeting, at least a quorum of the members of the legislative body participates in person from a singular physical location clearly identified on the agenda that is open to the public and situated within the boundaries of the territory over which the local agency exercises jurisdiction, and the legislative body complies with prescribed requirements. Existing law imposes prescribed restrictions on remote participation by a member under these alternative teleconferencing provisions, including establishing limits on the number of meetings a member may participate in solely by teleconference from a remote location, prohibiting such participation for a period of more than 3 consecutive months or 20% of the regular meetings for the local agency within a calendar year, or more than 2 meetings if the legislative body regularly meets fewer than 10 times per calendar year. This bill would revise those limits, instead prohibiting such participation for more than a specified number of meetings per year, based on how frequently the legislative body regularly meets. The bill, for the purpose of counting meetings attended by teleconference, would define a “meeting” as any number of meetings of the legislative body of a local agency that begin on the same calendar day. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water	DKA				



**[AB 2318](#) (Papan D) State Water Pollution Cleanup and Abatement Account: receipts and expenditures: report.** ( Introduced: 2/12/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#) )

**Status:** 4/10/2024-In committee: Set, first hearing. Referred to suspense file.

**Location:** 4/10/2024-A. APPR. SUSPENSE FILE

**Summary:** Under existing law, the State Water Resources Control Board and the 9 California regional water quality control boards regulate water quality and prescribe waste discharge requirements in accordance with the Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act and the federal National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permit program established by the federal Clean Water Act. Existing law requires each regional board to formulate and adopt water quality control plans for all areas within the region, as provided. Existing law requires specified moneys to be paid into the State Water Pollution Cleanup and Abatement Account, which is established in the State Water Quality Control Fund, including, among other moneys, the proceeds of civil penalties for violations of certain waste discharge requirements. Existing law continuously appropriates moneys in the account for specified purposes, including, among others, the payment of grant moneys to eligible entities to assist in cleaning up a waste, abating the effects of a waste on waters of the state, or addressing an urgent drinking water need. This bill would require the State Water Resources Control Board to, no later than January 1 of each year, post on its internet website a report describing the receipts and expenditures of the State Water Pollution Cleanup and Abatement Account, as provided. The bill would require the board to provide the initial report no later than January 1, 2026, and to include data from the years 2017 to 2025, inclusive, in that report. This bill contains other existing laws.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

**[AB 2330](#) (Holden D) Endangered species: incidental take: wildfire preparedness activities.** ( Amended: 4/24/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#) )

**Status:** 4/25/2024-Re-referred to Com. on APPR.

**Location:** 4/23/2024-A. APPR.

**Calendar:** 5/8/2024 9:30 a.m. - 1021 O Street, Room 1100  
ASSEMBLY APPROPRIATIONS, WICKS, BUFFY, Chair

**Summary:** The California Endangered Species Act prohibits the taking of an endangered, threatened, or candidate species, except as specified. Under the act, the Department of Fish and Wildlife (department) may authorize the take of listed species by certain entities through permits or memorandums of understanding for specified purposes. Existing law requires the State Fire Marshal to identify areas in the state as moderate, high, and very high fire hazard severity zones based on consistent statewide criteria and based on the severity of fire hazard that is expected to prevail in those areas. Existing law requires a local agency to designate, by ordinance, moderate, high, and very high fire hazard severity zones in its jurisdiction within 120 days of receiving recommendations from the State Fire Marshal, as provided. This bill would authorize a city, county, city and county, special district, or other local agency to submit to the department a locally designed plan to conduct wildfire preparedness activities on land designated as a fire hazard severity zone, as defined, that minimizes impacts to wildlife and habitat for candidate, threatened, and endangered species, and meets specified criteria. The bill would require the department to notify the local

agency within 90 days of receipt of the plan if an incidental take permit or other permit is needed, or if there are other considerations, exemptions, or streamlined pathways that the wildfire preparedness activities qualify for, including, but not limited to, the State Board of Forestry and Fire Protection's California Vegetation Treatment Program. The bill would require the department to provide the local agency, in its notification, a description of the candidate, endangered, and threatened species within the plan area and reasonable measures to avoid, minimize, and fully mitigate the take of the candidate, threatened, and endangered species, as provided. The bill would require the department, commencing January 1, 2026, to annually post a summary of the plan submissions that includes specified information, including the number of incidental take permits issued, on its internet website, as specified. This bill contains other related provisions.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

**[AB 2334](#) (Grayson D) Surplus land.** ( Introduced: 2/12/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#) )

**Status:** 5/2/2024-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(6). (Last location was PRINT on 2/12/2024)

**Location:** 5/2/2024-A. DEAD

**Summary:** Existing law prescribes requirements for the disposal of surplus land by a local agency, as defined, and requires, except as provided, a local agency disposing of surplus land to comply with certain notice requirements before disposing of the land or participating in negotiations to dispose of the land with a prospective transferee, particularly that the local agency send a written notice of availability for open-space purposes to specified entities. This bill would make a nonsubstantive change to the provisions regarding written notice of availability for open-space purposes.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

**[AB 2421](#) (Low D) Employer-employee relations: confidential communications.** ( Introduced: 2/13/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#) )

**Status:** 4/24/2024-In committee: Set, first hearing. Referred to suspense file.

**Location:** 4/24/2024-A. APPR. SUSPENSE FILE

**Summary:** Existing law that governs the labor relations of public employees and employers, including the Meyers-Milias-Brown Act, the Ralph C. Dills Act, provisions relating to public schools, provisions relating to higher education, and provisions relating to the the San Francisco Bay Area Rapid Transit District, prohibits employers from taking certain actions relating to employee organization, including imposing or threatening to impose reprisals on employees, discriminating or threatening to discriminate against employees, or otherwise interfering with, restraining, or coercing employees because of their exercise of their guaranteed rights. Those provisions of existing law further prohibit denying to employee organizations the rights guaranteed to them by existing law. This bill would also prohibit a local public agency employer, a state employer, a public school employer, a higher education employer, or the district from questioning any employee or employee representative regarding communications made in confidence between an employee and an employee representative in connection with representation relating to any matter within the scope of

the recognized employee organization's representation.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
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**AB 2440** ([Reyes D](#)) **30x30 goal: partnering state agencies: Department of Parks and Recreation.** ( Introduced: 2/13/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#) )

**Status:** 4/23/2024-From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on APPR. with recommendation: To Consent Calendar. (Ayes 14. Noes 0.) (April 23). Re-referred to Com. on APPR.

**Location:** 4/23/2024-A. APPR.

**Calendar:** 5/8/2024 9:30 a.m. - 1021 O Street, Room 1100  
ASSEMBLY APPROPRIATIONS, WICKS, BUFFY, Chair

**Summary:** By Executive Order No. N-82-20, Governor Gavin Newsom directed the Natural Resources Agency to combat the biodiversity and climate crises by, among other things, establishing the California Biodiversity Collaborative and conserving at least 30% of the state's lands and coastal waters by 2030. Existing law provides that it is the goal of the state to conserve at least 30% of California's lands and coastal waters by 2030, known as the 30x30 goal. Existing law requires the Natural Resources Agency to prioritize specified actions, including partnering with federal agencies to leverage strategic funding and resources in achieving the 30x30 goal. This bill would also require the agency to prioritize promoting and supporting partnering state agencies and departments, including, but not limited to, the Department of Parks and Recreation, in the acquisition and responsible stewardship of state land. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

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**AB 2454** ([Lee D](#)) **Drinking water: rental property: domestic well testing.** ( Amended: 4/15/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#) )

**Status:** 4/24/2024-From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on APPR. (Ayes 5. Noes 0.) (April 23). Re-referred to Com. on APPR.

**Location:** 4/23/2024-A. APPR.

**Calendar:** 5/8/2024 9:30 a.m. - 1021 O Street, Room 1100  
ASSEMBLY APPROPRIATIONS, WICKS, BUFFY, Chair

**Summary:** The California Safe Drinking Water Act provides for the operation of public water systems and imposes on the State Water Resources Control Board various duties and responsibilities for the regulation and control of drinking water in the State of California. The act requires the state board to adopt primary drinking water standards for contaminants in drinking water based upon specified criteria. Existing law makes certain violations of the act a crime. This bill would require an owner of a domestic well that serves a rental property who is provided written notice of a free domestic well testing program, as defined, to participate in the program and its related requirements, as specified. The bill would require an owner of the rental property to provide testing results to all current residents of the rental property, as specified. The bill would require, if the testing demonstrates a violation of any primary drinking water standards, the domestic well owner to

ensure that, within 14 days of receiving test results, tenants of rental properties served solely by that domestic well have access to an adequate supply of safe drinking water. The bill would prohibit an owner of a domestic well from imposing any charge, or increasing any fee, rent, or other charge imposed, on any tenant solely as a result of the requirements of these provisions. To the extent that an owner of the rental property, when providing notice of the results of domestic well testing to tenants pursuant to these provisions, would make any false statement or representation, this bill would expand the scope of a crime and impose a state-mandated local program. This bill would provide that no reimbursement is required by this act for a specified reason.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

**[AB 2489](#) (Ward D) Local agencies: contracts for special services and temporary help. (**

Amended: 4/29/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#).)

**Status:** 4/30/2024-Re-referred to Com. on APPR.

**Location:** 4/23/2024-A. APPR.

**Summary:** Existing law relating to the government of counties authorizes a county board of supervisors to contract for certain types of special services on behalf of the county, any county officer or department, or any district or court in the county. Existing law requires those special services contracts to be with persons who are specially trained, experienced, expert, and competent to perform those services. This bill would require the board or a representative, at least 10 months before beginning a procurement process to contract with persons for special services that are currently, or were in the previous 10 years, performed by employees of the county represented by an employee organization, to notify, in writing, the exclusive employee representative of the workforce affected by the contract of its determination to begin that process. The bill would provide that this 10-month notice requirement does not apply in the event of an emergency, as defined. The bill would require persons with whom the board of supervisors enter into a contract for special services to perform functions that are currently, or were in the previous 10 years, performed by employees of the county, any county officer or department, or any district or court in the county represented by an employee organization to use employees who meet or exceed the minimum qualifications and standards required of bargaining unit civil service employees who perform or performed the same job functions, as specified. The bill would also require those persons to provide information to the county sufficient to show that their employees meet the minimum qualifications and standards. The bill would specify that these provisions do not apply to contracts between governmental entities. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

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SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

**[AB 2501](#) (Alvarez D) Water quality control plans: donations and grants. ( Amended: 3/11/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#).)**

**Status:** 4/10/2024-In committee: Set, first hearing. Referred to suspense file.

**Location:** 4/10/2024-A. APPR. SUSPENSE FILE

**Summary:** Under existing law, the State Water Resources Control Board and the 9 California regional water quality control boards regulate water quality. Existing law requires each regional

board to formulate and adopt water quality control plans for all areas within the region, as provided. Existing law establishes in the continuously appropriated State Water Quality Control Fund the continuously appropriated State Water Pollution Cleanup and Abatement Account, which is administered by the state board. Existing law authorizes the State Water Resources Control Board on behalf of itself or a regional board, to accept donations of moneys from a permittee for the purpose of updating a water quality control plan. This bill would authorize the state board, on behalf of itself or a regional board, to accept moneys from donations, grants, or contributions, or through contractual agreements, from public agencies, foundations, or other not-for-profit entities for the purpose of planning, permitting, or providing technical support for projects of public benefit, as defined, within the state board's or regional board's jurisdiction. The bill would require all funds received to be deposited, and separately accounted for, in the State Water Pollution Cleanup and Abatement Account, for expenditure in accordance with the terms of the donation, grant, contribution, or contractual agreement. The bill would require the state board to provide notice, as specified, before accepting those moneys. Because the funds deposited would be a new source of funds in the continuously appropriated State Water Pollution Cleanup and Abatement Account within the continuously appropriated State Water Quality Control Fund, the bill would make an appropriation. This bill contains other existing laws.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

**[AB 2517](#) (Fong, Vince R) Water: irrigation districts: long-term maintenance agreements. (**

Amended: 4/17/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#).)

**Status:** 4/18/2024-Re-referred to Com. on APPR.

**Location:** 4/16/2024-A. APPR.

**Summary:** Existing law, the Irrigation District Law, provides for the formation of irrigation districts with prescribed powers. The law authorizes an irrigation district to control, distribute, store, spread, sink, treat, purify, recapture, and salvage any water, as specified. Existing law requires the Department of Water Resources to give information so far as it may be practicable to persons contemplating the formation of districts. This bill would require the department to respond to a request to enter into a long-term maintenance agreement, as defined, with an irrigation district within 120 days and to prioritize responding to long-term maintenance agreement requests for waterways that already have existing regular-term maintenance agreements, as defined.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

**[AB 2557](#) (Ortega D) Local agencies: contracts for special services and temporary help: performance reports. ( Amended: 4/25/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#).)**

**Status:** 4/29/2024-Re-referred to Com. on APPR.

**Location:** 4/23/2024-A. APPR.

**Calendar:** 5/8/2024 9:30 a.m. - 1021 O Street, Room 1100  
ASSEMBLY APPROPRIATIONS, WICKS, BUFFY, Chair

**Summary:** Existing law relating to the government of counties authorizes a county board of

supervisors to contract for certain types of special services on behalf of the county, any county officer or department, or any district or court in the county. Existing law requires those special services contracts to be with persons who are specially trained, experienced, expert, and competent to perform those services. This bill would require each person who enters into a contract for special services with the board of supervisors to submit quarterly performance reports, as prescribed, every 90 days, to the board of supervisors and the exclusive representative of the employee organization. The bill would require the board or its representative to monitor quarterly performance reports to evaluate the quality of services. The bill would require contract terms exceeding 2 years to undergo a performance audit, as prescribed, by an independent auditor approved by the board to determine whether the performance standards are being met. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

**[AB 2558](#) ([Hart D](#)) Department of Transportation: projects: fish passage.** ( Introduced: 2/14/2024 [html pdf](#) )

**Status:** 4/23/2024-From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on APPR. (Ayes 11. Noes 2.) (April 23). Re-referred to Com. on APPR.

**Location:** 4/23/2024-A. APPR.

**Summary:** Existing law vests the Department of Transportation with full possession and control of all state highways. Existing law, through the year 2025, requires the department to prepare an annual report to the Legislature describing the status of the department’s progress in locating, assessing, and remediating barriers to fish passage. Existing law requires the department to pursue development of a programmatic environmental review process with appropriate state and federal regulatory agencies for remediating barriers to fish passage that will streamline the permitting process for projects. This bill would extend this annual reporting requirement until the year 2030 and would require the reports to include other specified information. The bill would impose a deadline of January 1, 2026, for the department to implement the programmatic environmental review process. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

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SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

**[AB 2562](#) ([Lowenthal D](#)) Water corporations: rates: Santa Catalina Island.** ( Amended: 3/21/2024 [html pdf](#) )

**Status:** 4/25/2024-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(5). (Last location was U. & E. on 3/21/2024)

**Location:** 4/25/2024-A. DEAD

**Summary:** Existing law vests the Public Utilities Commission with regulatory authority over public utilities, including water corporations. Existing law authorizes the commission to fix the rates and charges for every public utility, and requires that those rates and charges be just and reasonable. Under existing law, a violation of the Public Utilities Act or any order, decision, rule, direction, demand, or requirement of the commission is a crime. This bill would require rates charged by a water corporation for water service on Santa Catalina Island to be affordable. Because the

provisions of the bill would be a part of the act and because a violation of a commission action implementing the bill's requirements would be a crime, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program.

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SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

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**[AB 2592](#) (Grayson D) Local planning: housing elements: water and sewer services. (**

Amended: 3/19/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#).)

**Status:** 4/25/2024-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(5). (Last location was H. & C.D. on 3/18/2024)

**Location:** 4/25/2024-A. DEAD

**Summary:** The Planning and Zoning Law requires each city, county, or city and county to prepare and adopt a general plan for its jurisdiction that contains certain mandatory elements, including a housing element. Existing law requires a housing element to include an assessment of housing needs and an inventory of resources and constraints relevant to meeting those needs. That law also requires that the housing element adopted by the legislative body of the city, county, or city and county and any amendments made to that element be delivered to all public agencies or private entities that provide water or sewer services, as described, within the territory of the legislative body. Existing law requires each public agency or private entity providing water or sewer services to grant a priority for the provision of these services to proposed developments that include housing units affordable to lower income households. Existing law also requires a public agency or private entity providing water or sewer services to adopt written policies and procedures not later than July 1, 2006, and at least once every 5 years thereafter, with specific objective standards for provision of services, as described. This bill would instead require each public agency or private entity providing water or sewer services to grant a priority for the provision of these services to proposed housing developments, which the bill would define for these purposes to include both housing developments that include units sold or rented to lower income households, as provided in existing law as described above, and housing developments constructed pursuant to specified laws providing for ministerial approval of certain housing developments or subdivision maps. The bill would also update the compliance date to adopt written policies and procedures to July 1, 2025, and continue to require the adoption of those written policies and procedures at least once every 5 years thereafter.

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**[AB 2599](#) (Committee on Environmental Safety and Toxic Materials) Water: public beaches: discontinuation of residential water service. ( Amended: 3/6/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#) )**

**Status:** 5/1/2024-Referred to Coms. on E.Q. and HEALTH.

**Location:** 5/1/2024-S. E.Q.

**Summary:** Existing law requires the State Department of Public Health to establish, maintain, and amend as necessary minimum standards for the sanitation of public beaches, as provided. Existing law requires the health officer, as defined, having jurisdiction over an area in which a public beach is created to do certain things, including, in the event of a known untreated sewage release,

immediately test the waters adjacent to the public beach and, in the event an untreated sewage release that is known to have reached recreational waters adjacent to a public beach, immediately close those waters until it has been determined by the local health officer that the waters are in compliance with the standards. This bill would authorize the health officer to meet the requirements described above by using test results from other parties that have conducted microbiological contamination testing of the waters under the health officer's jurisdiction, as provided. This bill contains other existing laws.

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SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

**[AB 2610](#) (Garcia D) Protected species: authorized take: System Conservation Implementation Agreement.** ( Amended: 4/10/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#).)

**Status:** 5/2/2024-Read third time. Urgency clause adopted. Passed. Ordered to the Senate. (Ayes 73. Noes 0.). In Senate. Read first time. To Com. on RLS. for assignment.

**Location:** 5/2/2024-S. RLS.

**Summary:** The California Endangered Species Act generally prohibits the take of a species determined to be an endangered, threatened, or candidate species under the act. Existing law authorizes the Department of Fish and Wildlife, if certain conditions are fulfilled, to authorize the take of species, including fully protected species, resulting from impacts attributable to implementation of the Quantification Settlement Agreement on specified lands and bodies of water. This bill would additionally authorize the department, if certain conditions are fulfilled, to authorize the take of species resulting from impacts attributable to the implementation of any System Conservation Implementation Agreement between the United States Bureau of Reclamation and the Imperial Irrigation District to implement the Lower Colorado River Basin System Conservation and Efficiency Program, as provided, on the specified lands and bodies of water. This bill contains other related provisions.

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SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

**[AB 2614](#) (Ramos D) Water policy: California tribal communities.** ( Amended: 3/21/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#).)

**Status:** 4/23/2024-From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on APPR. (Ayes 12. Noes 0.) (April 23). Re-referred to Com. on APPR.

**Location:** 4/23/2024-A. APPR.

**Summary:** The Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act establishes a statewide program for the control of the quality of all the waters in the state and makes certain legislative findings and declarations. Existing law defines the term “beneficial uses” for the purposes of water quality as certain waters of the state that may be protected against quality degradation, to include, among others, domestic, municipal, agricultural, and industrial supplies. This bill would add findings and declarations related to California tribal communities and the importance of protecting tribal water use, as those terms are defined. The bill would add tribal water uses as waters of the state that may be protected against quality degradation for purposes of the defined term “beneficial uses.” The bill would require any project or regulatory program subject to approval by the State Water Quality Control Board or a regional water quality control board, within a specified environmental review, and



in any findings and declarations presented for state board or a regional board approval, to describe, with both quantitative and qualitative information, how the project or regulatory program will impact tribal water uses, and would require, on or before December 1, 2025, and every 2 years thereafter, the state board to publish a report on implementation of this provision on its internet website.

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**[AB 2626](#) (Dixon R) Advanced Clean Fleets regulations: local governments.** ( Introduced: 2/14/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#) )

**Status:** 4/25/2024-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(5). (Last location was TRANS. on 3/4/2024)

**Location:** 4/25/2024-A. DEAD

**Summary:** Existing law requires the State Air Resources Board to adopt and implement motor vehicle emission standards, in-use performance standards, and motor vehicle fuel specifications for the control of air contaminants and sources of air pollution that the state board has found necessary, cost effective, and technologically feasible. The California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006 establishes the state board as the state agency responsible for monitoring and regulating sources emitting greenhouse gases and requires the state board to adopt rules and regulations to achieve the maximum technologically feasible and cost-effective greenhouse gas emission reductions from those sources. Pursuant to its authority, the state board has adopted the Advanced Clean Fleets Regulation, which imposes various requirements for transitioning local, state, and federal government fleets of medium- and heavy-duty trucks, other high-priority fleets of medium- and heavy-duty trucks, and drayage trucks to zero-emission vehicles. The Advanced Clean Fleets Regulation authorizes entities subject to the regulation to apply for exemptions from its requirements under certain circumstances. This bill would extend the compliance dates for local government set forth in the Advanced Clean Fleets Regulation by 10 years. The bill would prohibit the state board from taking enforcement action against a local government for violating the Advanced Clean Fleets Regulation if the alleged violation occurs before January 1, 2025. This bill contains other existing laws.

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**[AB 2631](#) (Fong, Mike D) Local agencies: ethics training.** ( Introduced: 2/14/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#) )

**Status:** 4/10/2024-In committee: Set, first hearing. Referred to suspense file.

**Location:** 4/10/2024-A. APPR. SUSPENSE FILE

**Summary:** Existing law requires all local agency officials to receive training in ethics, at specified intervals, if the local agency provides certain monetary payments to a member of a legislative body, as provided. Existing law requires all local agency officials who are members of specified public bodies to receive the above-described training, whether or not the member receives any type of compensation, salary, or stipend or reimbursement for actual and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of official duties. Existing law requires an entity that develops curricula to satisfy the above-described requirements to consult with the Fair Political Practices Commission and the Attorney General regarding the sufficiency and accuracy of the proposed course content. Existing

law prohibits the Fair Political Practices Commission and the Attorney General, as specified, from precluding an entity from also including local ethics policies in the curricula. This bill would, contingent upon an appropriation for these purposes, require the Fair Political Practices Commission, in consultation with the Attorney General, to create, maintain, and make available to local agency officials an ethics training course, as specified.

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SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

**[AB 2639](#) (Patterson, Joe R) Forestry: timber operations: maintenance of timberlands for fuels reduction.** ( Amended: 4/11/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#) )

**Status:** 4/15/2024-Re-referred to Com. on APPR.

**Location:** 4/8/2024-A. APPR.

**Calendar:** 5/8/2024 9:30 a.m. - 1021 O Street, Room 1100  
ASSEMBLY APPROPRIATIONS, WICKS, BUFFY, Chair

**Summary:** The Z'berg-Nejedly Forest Practice Act of 1973 prohibits a person from conducting timber operations unless a timber harvesting plan prepared by a registered professional forester has been submitted to, and approved by, the Department of Forestry and Fire Protection. Existing law defines "timber operations" for purposes of the act. The act provides that any person who willfully violates any provision of the act or rule or regulation of the State Board of Forestry and Fire Protection is guilty of a misdemeanor. 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. This bill would expand the definition of "timber operations" to include the maintenance of timberlands through fuels reduction paid in part or in whole with public funds. By expanding the scope of a crime, the bill would create a state-mandated local program. The bill would provide that timber operations for the maintenance of timberland, paid in part or in whole with public funds, may, as an alternative to obtaining an approved timber harvesting plan, comply with the requirements of CEQA. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

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SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

**[AB 2643](#) (Wood D) Cannabis cultivation: environmental remediation.** ( Amended: 4/16/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#) )

**Status:** 4/23/2024-From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on APPR. (Ayes 13. Noes 0.) (April 23). Re-referred to Com. on APPR.

**Location:** 4/23/2024-A. APPR.

**Summary:** Existing law requires the Department of Fish and Wildlife to establish the watershed

enforcement program to facilitate the investigation, enforcement, and prosecution of offenses relating to unlawful water diversions and other violations of the Fish and Game Code associated with cannabis cultivation. Existing law also requires the department, in coordination with specified state agencies, to establish a permanent multiagency task force to address the environmental impacts of cannabis cultivation. This bill would require the department to conduct a study to create a framework for cannabis site restoration projects funded by the Cannabis Restoration Grant Program with the goal of providing guidance for the cleanup, remediation, and restoration of environmental damage caused by cannabis cultivation, and to complete the study by January 1, 2027, as specified. The bill would authorize the department to enter into an agreement with a nongovernmental organization or educational institution for that entity to conduct the study. The bill would require the department, in collaboration with relevant federal agencies, to facilitate biannual meetings of stakeholders to serve as forums to delineate the most effective strategies, frameworks, and workflows for identifying, reclaiming, and restoring lands affected by illicit cannabis cultivation and for eradicating illicit cannabis cultivation on those lands. The bill would require the department to submit an annual report to the Legislature until January 1, 2030, on illicit cannabis cultivation on public lands, as specified.

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SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

**[AB 2661](#) (Soria D) Electricity: transmission facility planning: Westlands Water District. (**

Amended: 4/24/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#) )

**Status:** 4/25/2024-Re-referred to Com. on APPR.

**Location:** 4/22/2024-A. APPR.

**Calendar:** 5/8/2024 9:30 a.m. - 1021 O Street, Room 1100  
ASSEMBLY APPROPRIATIONS, WICKS, BUFFY, Chair

**Summary:** Existing law vests the Public Utilities Commission (PUC) with regulatory authority over public utilities. Existing law requires the PUC to adopt a process for each load-serving entity, as defined, to file an integrated resource plan and a schedule for periodic updates to the plan to ensure that it meets, among other things, the state’s targets for reducing emissions of greenhouse gases and the requirement to procure at least 60% of its electricity from eligible renewable energy resources by December 31, 2030. Under existing law, after the load-serving entities updated the integrated resource plans pursuant to the schedule adopted by the PUC, the PUC adopted an aggregated resource portfolio known as the preferred system plan. Existing law establishes an Independent System Operator (ISO) as a nonprofit public benefit corporation, and requires the ISO to ensure the efficient use and reliable operation of the electrical transmission grid consistent with the achievement of planning and operating reserve criteria, as specified. Existing law requires the PUC, in consultation with the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission, to provide, not later than March 31, 2024, transmission-focused guidance to the ISO about resource portfolios of expected future renewable energy resources and zero-carbon resources. Existing law requires the guidance to include the allocation of those resources by region based on technical feasibility and commercial interest in each region. This bill would require the PUC to perform a sensitivity analysis evaluating the potential for 10,000 to 30,000 megawatts of solar electrical generation located in the Central Valley beyond the amount of solar electrical generation described in the most recently adopted preferred system plan as of January 1, 2025. The bill would require the PUC to transmit the sensitivity analysis to the ISO for evaluation as part of the next transmission planning process. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

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**[AB 2735](#) (Rubio, Blanca D) Joint powers agreements: water corporations. ( Amended: 4/29/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#) )**

**Status:** 4/30/2024-Re-referred to Com. on APPR.

**Location:** 4/25/2024-A. APPR.

**Calendar:** 5/8/2024 9:30 a.m. - 1021 O Street, Room 1100  
ASSEMBLY APPROPRIATIONS, WICKS, BUFFY, Chair

**Summary:** Existing law, the Joint Exercise of Powers Act, authorizes 2 or more public agencies, if authorized by their governing bodies, by agreement to jointly exercise any power common to the contracting parties. Existing law authorizes 2 or more local public entities, or a mutual water company, as defined, and a public agency, to provide insurance, as specified, by a joint powers agreement. Existing law authorizes local public entities or a mutual water company and a public agency to enter into a joint powers agreement for the purposes of risk-pooling, as specified. This bill would authorize a water corporation, as defined, and one or more public agencies to provide insurance, as specified, by a joint powers agreement. The bill would also authorize a water corporation and one or more public agencies to enter into a joint powers agreement for the purposes of risk-pooling, as specified.

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**[AB 2748](#) (Flora R) Tri-Dam Project: board of directors: meetings. ( Amended: 4/3/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#) )**

**Status:** 4/25/2024-Read third time. Passed. Ordered to the Senate. (Ayes 75. Noes 0.) In Senate. Read first time. To Com. on RLS. for assignment.

**Location:** 4/25/2024-S. RLS.

**Summary:** The Irrigation District Law provides for the formation of irrigation districts with prescribed powers. The law authorizes an irrigation district to control, distribute, store, spread, sink, treat, purify, recapture, and salvage any water, as specified. Existing law requires the board of directors of a district to hold a regular meeting on the first Tuesday of each month at the district office. Existing law authorizes the Board of Directors of the Tri-Dam Project to hold no more than 4 regular meetings annually at the Tri-Dam Project offices located in Strawberry, California. This bill would instead authorize the board of directors to hold those regular meetings at a Tri-Dam Project office that is located in Sonora, California, or Strawberry, California, or within 30 miles of either city.

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SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

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**[AB 2799](#) (Fong, Vince R) Sustainable groundwater management: small farms: fees. ( Amended: 3/21/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#) )**

**Status:** 4/29/2024-Read second time. Ordered to third reading.

**Location:** 4/29/2024-A. THIRD READING

**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 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 that adopts a groundwater sustainability plan to impose fees on the extraction of groundwater from the basin to fund costs of groundwater management, as specified. This bill would require a groundwater sustainability agency to consider the efforts of small farms, as defined, that recharge groundwater into the basin upon which their property is located when imposing or increasing fees.

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**[AB 2847](#) (Addis D) Electrical and gas corporations: capital expenditures: request for authorization or recovery.** ( Amended: 3/21/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#) )

**Status:** 5/2/2024-Read second time. Ordered to third reading.

**Location:** 5/2/2024-A. THIRD READING

**Calendar:** 5/9/2024 #76 ASSEMBLY THIRD READING FILE - ASSEMBLY BILLS

**Summary:** Existing law vests the Public Utilities Commission with regulatory authority over public utilities, including electrical corporations and gas corporations. Existing law authorizes the commission to fix the rates and charges for every public utility and requires that those rates and charges be just and reasonable. Existing law, with certain exceptions, prohibits a public utility from changing any rate, except upon a showing before the commission and a finding by the commission that the new rate is justified. With certain exceptions, whenever an electrical corporation or gas corporation files an application to change any rate for the services or commodities furnished by it, existing law requires that the corporation furnish its customers notice of its application to the commission for approval of the new rate. This bill would require an electrical corporation's or gas corporation's application requesting authorization for or recovery of capital expenditures to include its best estimate of the application's impact on its annual revenue requirement for each year that the capital expenditures described in the application are expected to remain in the application's rate base if the application is approved or conditionally approved and to include the net present value of those impacts. The bill would further require the commission to require the electrical corporation or gas corporation to provide supporting workpapers and calculations for the estimates. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

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**[AB 2875](#) (Friedman D) Wetlands: state policy.** ( Introduced: 2/15/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#) )

**Status:** 4/17/2024-In committee: Set, first hearing. Referred to suspense file.

**Location:** 4/17/2024-A. APPR. SUSPENSE FILE

**Summary:** Existing law, the Keene-Nejedly California Wetlands Preservation Act, requires the Natural Resources Agency to prepare a plan for the acquisition, protection, preservation, restoration, and enhancement of wetlands, including funding requirements and the priority status of specific proposed wetlands projects. By Executive Order No. W-59-93, former Governor Pete Wilson declared it to be the policy of the state that its Comprehensive Wetlands Policy rests on three primary objectives, including the objective of ensuring no overall net loss and long-term net gain in the quantity, quality, and permanence of wetlands acreage and values, as provided. This bill would declare that it is the policy of the state to ensure no net loss and long-term gain in the quantity, quality, and permanence of wetlands acreage and values in California. The bill would make related legislative findings and declarations.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

**[AB 2894](#) ([Gallagher R](#)) **Urban water use targets: indoor residential water use.** ( Introduced: 2/15/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#) )**

**Status:** 5/2/2024-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(6). (Last location was PRINT on 2/15/2024)

**Location:** 5/2/2024-A. DEAD

**Summary:** Existing law requires the state to achieve a 20% reduction in urban per capita water use in California. Existing law requires each urban retail water supplier to develop urban water use targets and an interim urban water use target, as specified, and states the intent of the Legislature that the urban water use targets cumulatively result in a 20% reduction from the baseline daily per capita water use. Existing law requires the Department of Water Resources to develop technical methodologies and criteria, as provided, for purposes of these provisions. This bill would make a nonsubstantive change to the provision requiring the department to develop technical methodologies and criteria.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA		AA - No Folder		

**[AB 2933](#) ([Low D](#)) **Multiunit residential structures and mixed-use residential and commercial structures: water conservation.** ( Amended: 4/18/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#) )**

**Status:** 4/24/2024-From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on APPR. (Ayes 5. Noes 1.) (April 23). Re-referred to Com. on APPR.

**Location:** 4/23/2024-A. APPR.

**Calendar:** 5/8/2024 9:30 a.m. - 1021 O Street, Room 1100  
ASSEMBLY APPROPRIATIONS, WICKS, BUFFY, Chair

**Summary:** Existing law, the California Building Standards Law, establishes the California Building Standards Commission within the Department of General Services and sets forth its powers and duties, including approval and adoption of building standards and codification of those standards into the California Building Standards Code, which includes the California Green Building Standards Code. Existing law requires the commission to publish, or cause to be published, editions of the

California Building Standards Code in its entirety once every 3 years. Existing law establishes the Building Standards Administration Special Revolving Fund, and makes the moneys in the fund available, upon appropriation, to state entities to carry out various related provisions, as specified. Existing law requires the Department of Housing and Community Development to propose the adoption, amendment, or repeal of building standards to the California Building Standards Commission, and the department to adopt, amend, and repeal other rules and regulations for the protection of the public health, safety, and general welfare of the occupant and the public governing the erection, construction, enlargement, conversion, alteration, repair, moving, removal, demolition, occupancy, use, height, court, area, sanitation, ventilation, and maintenance of all hotels, motels, lodging houses, apartment houses, and dwellings, and buildings and structures accessory thereto, as specified. Existing law authorizes those standards to include voluntary best practice and mandatory requirements related to environmentally preferable water using devices and measures. Existing law requires the department and the commission to research, develop, and propose building standards to reduce potable water use in new residential and nonresidential buildings, including consideration of requiring installation of water reuse systems and consideration of requiring preplumbing of buildings to allow future use of recycled water, onsite treated graywater, or other alternative water sources. This bill would enact the California Multiunit Residential Structure and Mixed-Use Residential and Commercial Structure Water Conservation Act. The bill would state findings and declarations of the Legislature relating to wasted water due to plumbing leaks. The bill would require the department to investigate whether additional water conservation and efficiency measures are warranted for existing and new multifamily residential construction and mixed use commercial structures, including, but not limited to, point-of-use systems, as defined. The bill would authorize the department, if it determines that changes to the California Green Building Standards are warranted, to develop voluntary or mandatory proposals to be submitted to the commission for consideration. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

**[AB 2945](#) (Alvarez D) Reconnecting Communities Redevelopment Act.** ( Amended: 4/18/2024 [html pdf](#) )

**Status:** 4/24/2024-From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on APPR. (Ayes 7. Noes 1.) (April 24). Re-referred to Com. on APPR.

**Location:** 4/24/2024-A. APPR.

**Summary:** The California Constitution, with respect to any taxes levied on taxable property in a redevelopment project established under the Community Redevelopment Law, as it then read or may be amended, authorizes the Legislature to provide for the division of those taxes under a redevelopment plan between the taxing agencies and the redevelopment agency, as provided. Existing law dissolved redevelopment agencies as of February 1, 2012, and designates successor agencies to act as successor entities to the dissolved redevelopment agencies. This bill, the Reconnecting Communities Redevelopment Act, would authorize a city or county, or two or more cities acting jointly, to propose the formation of a reconnecting communities investment agency by adoption of a resolution of intention that meets specified requirements, including that the resolution of intention include a passthrough provision and an override passthrough provision, as defined. The bill would require the city or county to submit that resolution to each affected taxing entity and would authorize an entity that receives that resolution to elect to not receive a passthrough payment, as provided. The bill would require the city or county that adopted that resolution to hold a public hearing on the proposal to consider all written and oral objections to the formation, as well as any

recommendations of the affected taxing entities, and would authorize that city or county to adopt a resolution of formation at the conclusion of that hearing. The bill would then require that city or county to submit the resolution of intention to the Strategic Growth Council for a determination as to whether the agency would promote statewide greenhouse gas reduction goals. The bill would require the council to approve formation of the agency if it determines that formation of the agency would promote statewide greenhouse gas reduction goals. The bill would deem an agency to be in existence as of the date of the council's approval. The bill would require the council to establish a program to provide technical assistance to a city or county desiring to form an agency pursuant to these provisions.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

**[AB 2947](#) ([Lackey R](#)) **Water: turfgrass conversion.** ( Amended: 4/8/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#) )**

**Status:** 5/1/2024-In committee: Set, first hearing. Referred to suspense file.

**Location:** 5/1/2024-A. APPR. SUSPENSE FILE

**Summary:** Existing law establishes the Department of Water Resources within the Natural Resources Agency and prescribes the powers and responsibilities of the department. 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, unless the department makes a specified finding. This bill would prohibit the department, when it allocates funding for turf replacement programs, from excluding urban water suppliers' turfgrass conversion rebate programs if the rebate program requires the recipient of a rebate to achieve a net water savings and to use the most efficient turfgrass irrigation equipment, as provided. The bill would require an urban water supplier that offers a turfgrass conversion rebate program using funds awarded by the department after January 1, 2025, to report annually to the department on the number of turfgrass conversions that are funded through the program and the estimated water savings from the program until the funds are exhausted.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA		AA - No Folder		

**[AB 2962](#) ([Papan D](#)) **Wholesale Regional Water System Security and Reliability Act.** (**

Amended: 4/10/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#).)

**Status:** 4/25/2024-From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on APPR. with recommendation: To Consent Calendar. (Ayes 8. Noes 0.) (April 24). Re-referred to Com. on APPR.

**Location:** 4/25/2024-A. APPR.

**Calendar:** 5/8/2024 9:30 a.m. - 1021 O Street, Room 1100  
ASSEMBLY APPROPRIATIONS, WICKS, BUFFY, Chair

**Summary:** Existing law, the Wholesale Regional Water System Security and Reliability Act, requires the City and County of San Francisco to adopt a specified program of capital improvement projects designed to restore and improve the bay area regional water system, as defined. Existing law makes the act inoperative and repeals these provisions on January 1, 2026. This bill would extend the repeal date of the act to January 1, 2036, and make technical nonsubstantive changes. By extending the period of time during which certain requirements would apply to regional wholesale



water suppliers and the City and County of San Francisco, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program. This bill would make legislative findings and declarations as to the necessity of a special statute for the City and County of San Francisco and the regional water system, and that the bill addresses a matter of statewide concern rather than a municipal affair and applies to charter cities. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

**[AB 2963](#) (Essayli R) Pickup trucks.** ( Amended: 3/18/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#) )

**Status:** 4/25/2024-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(5). (Last location was TRANS. on 3/11/2024)

**Location:** 4/25/2024-A. DEAD

**Summary:** Existing law defines a “commercial vehicle,” for purposes of the Vehicle Code, as a motor vehicle of a type required to be registered under that code that is used or maintained for the transportation of persons for hire, compensation, or profit or designed, used, or maintained primarily for the transportation of property. Existing law subjects pickup trucks to commercial vehicle weight fees. Existing law requires an application for the original or renewal registration of a vehicle, including a pickup truck, to include specified information. This bill would exclude from that definition a pickup truck that is not used for the transportation of property for hire, compensation, or profit. The bill would exempt those excluded pickup trucks from commercial vehicle weight fees. The bill would require a registration application for a pickup truck to include whether or not the vehicle is a commercial vehicle. The bill would prohibit a pickup truck that is not a commercial vehicle and that renews registration after January 1, 2025, from being required to replace the vehicle’s license plates issued before January 1, 2025. This bill contains other existing laws.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

**[AB 3007](#) (Hoover R) California Environmental Quality Act: record of environmental documents: format.** ( Amended: 5/2/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#) )

**Status:** 5/6/2024-Read second time. Ordered to Consent Calendar.

**Location:** 5/6/2024-A. CONSENT CALENDAR

**Calendar:** 5/9/2024 #159 ASSEMBLY CONSENT CALENDAR 2ND DAY-ASSEMBLY BILLS

**Summary:** Existing law requires project applicants and public agencies subject to the California Environmental Quality Act to pay a filing fee to the Department of Fish and Wildlife for each proposed project for the purpose of defraying the costs of managing and protecting fish and wildlife trust resources, as specified. Existing law specifies the required filing fees and provides that a filing fee is not required to be paid if specified conditions exist. Existing law also authorizes a county clerk to charge a documentary handling fee of \$50 per filing in addition to the filing fee, and requires the county clerk of each county and the Office of Planning and Research to maintain a record, both electronic and in paper, of all environmental documents received, as specified. This bill would instead require the county clerk of each county and the Office of Planning and Research to maintain the record electronically and authorize the county clerk of each county and the office to maintain the

record on paper.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

**AB 3012 (Grayson D) Development fees: fee schedule template: fee estimate tool. (**

Amended: 4/18/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#).)

**Status:** 4/24/2024-From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on APPR. with recommendation: To Consent Calendar. (Ayes 9. Noes 0.) (April 24). Re-referred to Com. on APPR.

**Location:** 4/24/2024-A. APPR.

**Summary:** Existing law, the Permit Streamlining Act, which is part of the Planning and Zoning Law, requires each public agency to provide a development project applicant with a list that specifies the information that will be required from any applicant for a development project. The act requires a city, county, or special district that has an internet website to make available on its internet website certain information, as applicable, including its current schedule of fees and exactions. This bill would require a city or county that has an internet website to make a fee estimate tool that the public can use to calculate an estimate of fees and exactions, as specified, for a proposed housing development project available on its internet website. The bill authorizes the city or county to choose the format of the fee estimate tool. The bill would require a city or county with a population of greater than 500,000 to meet these requirements on or before July 1, 2031. The bill would require a city or county with a population of 500,000 or less to meet these requirements on or before July 1, 2032. By requiring a city or county to include a fee estimate tool on its internet website, 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 3023 (Papan D) Wildfire and Forest Resilience Task Force: interagency funding strategy: state watershed restoration plans: forest resilience plans: grant program guidelines. (**

Amended: 4/16/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#).)

**Status:** 4/23/2024-From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on APPR. with recommendation: To Consent Calendar. (Ayes 11. Noes 0.) (April 22). Re-referred to Com. on APPR.

**Location:** 4/22/2024-A. APPR.

**Summary:** Existing law establishes in the Natural Resources Agency the Department of Forestry and Fire Protection, and requires the department to be responsible for, among other things, fire protection and prevention, as provided. Existing law establishes the Wildfire and Forest Resilience Task Force and requires the task force to develop a comprehensive implementation strategy to track and ensure the achievement of the goals and key actions identified in the state's "Wildfire and Forest Resilience Action Plan" issued by the task force in January 2021. Existing law declares that the department has extensive technical expertise in wildland fire prevention and vegetation management on forest, range, and watershed land, and, when appropriately applied, this expertise can have significant public resource benefits, including decreasing high-intensity wildland fires, improving watershed management, and improving carbon resilience, among other benefits. This bill would require the task force to develop, in partnership with the agency, an interagency funding strategy to help coordinate and align implementation of state watershed restoration plans and

initiatives, as specified, with forest resilience planning efforts to achieve more integrated and holistic outcomes. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

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**[AB 3044](#) (Alanis R) Urban retail water suppliers: urban water use objectives: report. (**

Amended: 3/21/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#) )

**Status:** 4/25/2024-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(5). (Last location was W.,P. & W. on 3/21/2024)

**Location:** 4/25/2024-A. DEAD

**Summary:** Existing law requires the Department of Water Resources, on or before January 1, 2028, and in coordination with the State Water Resources Control Board, to submit a report to the Legislature on the progress of urban retail water suppliers towards achieving their urban water use objective. This bill would instead require the report to be submitted to the Legislature on or before January 1, 2029.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

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**[AB 3073](#) (Haney D) Wastewater testing: illicit substances. ( Amended: 3/21/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#) )**

**Status:** 4/24/2024-In committee: Set, first hearing. Referred to suspense file.

**Location:** 4/24/2024-A. APPR. SUSPENSE FILE

**Summary:** Existing law establishes the State Department of Public Health to implement various programs throughout the state relating to public health. The department administers the CDPH Wastewater Surveillance Network Dashboard that provides an overview of wastewater surveillance of SARS-CoV-2 in California. The dashboard includes wastewater samples collected and analyzed by the department, wastewater utilities, and academic, laboratory, and other partners across the state. This bill would require the department, in consultation with participating wastewater treatment facilities, local public health agencies, and other subject matter experts, to create a pilot program to test for high-risk substances and related treatment medications in wastewater. Under the bill, the goal of the program would be to determine how wastewater data can be used by state and local public health programs to address substance abuse in California. The bill would require the department to develop a list of target substances to be analyzed during the program that may include cocaine, fentanyl, methamphetamine, xylazine, methadone, buprenorphine, and naloxone. The bill would require the department, on or before July 1, 2025, to solicit voluntary participation from local public health agencies and wastewater treatment facilities, as specified. The bill would require the department to work with the participating agencies and facilities to collect samples and to arrange for those samples to be tested by qualified laboratories. The bill would require the department, in consultation with public health agencies and subject matter experts, to analyze test results to determine possible public health interventions. This bill contains other related provisions.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water	DKA				

**[AB 3084](#) (Soria D) Groundwater basin management.** ( Introduced: 2/16/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#) )

**Status:** 5/2/2024-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(6). (Last location was PRINT on 2/16/2024)

**Location:** 5/2/2024-A. DEAD

**Summary:** Existing law, the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act, states the intent of the Legislature to provide for the sustainable management of groundwater basins and to provide local groundwater agencies with the authority and the technical and financial assistance necessary to sustainably manage groundwater, among other purposes of the act. This bill would express the intent of the Legislature to enact future legislation to improve groundwater basin management.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water	DKA				
Agency	AA				

**[AB 3090](#) (Maienschein D) Drinking water standards: emergency notification plan.** (

Amended: 4/18/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#).)

**Status:** 4/29/2024-Read third time. Passed. Ordered to the Senate. (Ayes 73. Noes 0.) In Senate. Read first time. To Com. on RLS. for assignment.

**Location:** 4/29/2024-S. RLS.

**Summary:** Existing law prohibits a person from operating a public water system without an emergency notification plan that has been submitted to and approved by the State Water Resources Control Board. This bill would authorize and encourage a public water system, when updating an emergency notification plan, to provide notification to water users by means of other communications technology, including, but not limited to, text messages, email, or social media.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water	DKA				
Agency	AA				

**[AB 3098](#) (Gallagher R) California Agriculture Relief Act: severe heat impacts.** ( Amended: 3/21/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#).)

**Status:** 4/25/2024-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(5). (Last location was AGRI. on 3/21/2024)

**Location:** 4/25/2024-A. DEAD

**Summary:** Existing law, until January 1, 2027, establishes the California Small Agricultural Business Drought and Flood Relief Grant Program in the Office of the Small Business Advocate, under the authority of its director, to provide grants to qualified small agricultural businesses that have been affected by severe drought and flooding. Existing law requires the office to allocate grants to qualified small agricultural businesses that meet the requirements of the program, upon appropriation of grant funds by the Legislature. Existing law defines a “qualified small business” as a business that, among other things, has been affected by severe drought according to the United States Department of Agriculture drought monitor or is within or serves a county that has a state or federal disaster declaration for flooding. Existing law defines “decline in annual gross receipts or

gross profits” for purposes of the program to mean a decrease in annual gross receipts or gross profits when comparing the 2022 taxable year to the 2019 taxable year. This bill, the California Agriculture Relief Act, would rename the program as the California Small Agricultural Business Disaster Relief Grant Program and would expand the purpose of the program to include the provision of grants to qualified small agricultural businesses that have been affected by severe drought, heat, or flooding. The bill would include within the definition of a “qualified small business” one that has been affected by the September 2022 heat wave, as specified. The bill would revise the definition of “decline in annual gross receipts or gross profits” to mean a decrease in annual gross receipts or gross profits when comparing the 2022 or 2023 taxable year to the 2019 taxable year. The bill would make conforming changes. The bill would require funding appropriated related to severe heat impacts to be administered, to the extent feasible, by allocating 20% of grant funds in one or more rounds of grants for small and socially disadvantaged farmers who are qualified small agricultural businesses and by allocating the remainder to qualified small agricultural businesses most impacted by severe heat, including those that are identified using specified codes.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

**AB 3121 (Hart D) Urban retail water suppliers: written notice: conservation order: dates. (**

Introduced: 2/16/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#))

**Status:** 4/29/2024-Read third time. Passed. Ordered to the Senate. (Ayes 74. Noes 0.) In Senate. Read first time. To Com. on RLS. for assignment.

**Location:** 4/29/2024-S. RLS.

**Summary:** Existing law authorizes the State Water Resources Control Board, on and after January 1, 2025, to issue a written notice to an urban retail water supplier that does not meet its urban water use objective. Existing law authorizes the board, on and after January 1, 2026, to issue a conservation order to an urban retail water supplier that does not meet its urban water use objective. This bill would instead provide that the date the board is authorized to issue a written notice to January 1, 2026 and a conservation order to January 1, 2027.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

**AB 3125 (Garcia D) Skilled and trained workforce requirements. ( Amended: 4/10/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#))**

**Status:** 4/25/2024-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(5). (Last location was L. & E. on 4/11/2024)

**Location:** 4/25/2024-A. DEAD

**Summary:** Existing law establishes requirements that apply when a public entity is required by statute or regulation to obtain an enforceable commitment that a bidder, contractor, or other entity will use a skilled and trained workforce to complete a contract or project. This bill would additionally apply the above-described requirements when a public entity is required by statute or regulation to obtain an enforceable commitment that a bidder, contractor, or other entity, at every tier of the contract that falls within an apprenticeable occupation, will use a skilled and trained workforce for all goods or services, as specified, relating to any Salton Sea project, as defined.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

**[AB 3136](#) (Reyes D) Attorney General: Bureau of Environmental Justice.** ( Introduced: 2/16/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#) )

**Status:** 5/1/2024-In committee: Set, first hearing. Referred to suspense file.

**Location:** 5/1/2024-A. APPR. SUSPENSE FILE

**Summary:** Existing law establishes various programs for the enforcement of environmental protection. Existing law defines environmental justice, for certain purposes, as the fair treatment of people of all races, cultures, and incomes with respect to the development, adoption, implementation, and enforcement of environmental laws, regulations, and policies. Existing law makes legislative findings and declarations that it is in the public interest to provide the people of the state through the Attorney General with adequate remedy to protect the natural resources of the state from pollution, impairment, or destruction. Existing law authorizes the Attorney General to intervene in any judicial or administrative proceeding in which facts are alleged concerning pollution or adverse environmental effects that could affect the public generally. This bill would continue in existence, within the Department of Justice, the Bureau of Environmental Justice for the purpose of protecting people and communities that endure a disproportionate share of environmental pollution and public health hazards. The bill would require the bureau to ensure fair treatment of people of all races, cultures, and incomes with respect to the development, adoption, implementation, and enforcement of environmental laws, regulations, and policies, pursuant to the existing authority of the Attorney General, as specified. The bill would require the Attorney General to ensure the bureau is staffed with a minimum of 12 attorneys and an appropriate number of support staff.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA		AA - No Folder		

**[AB 3147](#) (Garcia D) California Trails Conservancy Program.** ( Amended: 3/21/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#) )

**Status:** 4/24/2024-In committee: Set, first hearing. Referred to suspense file.

**Location:** 4/24/2024-A. APPR. SUSPENSE FILE

**Summary:** Existing law establishes the Natural Resources Agency, composed of departments, boards, conservancies, and commissions responsible for the restoration, protection, and management of the state's natural and cultural resources. This bill would establish in the agency the California Trails Conservancy Program. The bill would require the program to have specified purposes, including promoting enhanced and expanded environmentally sound greenways and trail networks. If the agency determines that it would benefit these purposes, the bill would authorize the agency to establish an ad hoc working group with specified members, including a representative from the Department of Parks and Recreation. This bill contains other related provisions.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

**[AB 3157](#) (Papan D) California Water District Law.** ( Introduced: 2/16/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#) )

**Status:** 5/2/2024-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(6). (Last location was PRINT on 2/16/2024)

**Location:** 5/2/2024-A. DEAD

**Summary:** The California Water District Law (CWDL) provides for the establishment of water districts, and grants a district the power to acquire, plan, construct, maintain, improve, operate, and keep in repair the necessary works for the production, storage, transmission, and distribution of water for irrigation, domestic, industrial, and municipal purposes. The CWDL authorizes a water district, by using any water or water supplies furnished to the district or used by the district, to construct, maintain, and operate plants for the generation of hydroelectric power from those water and transmission lines for the conveyance of that power. The CWDL authorizes a water district to join with any other district engaged in distributing water in exercising the powers granted to the district pursuant to that authorization, as described, or to execute joint power agreements with any agency formed for that purpose. This bill would make a nonsubstantive change to the latter authorization. This bill contains other existing laws.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

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[AB 3166](#) ([Hart D](#)) **Fish and Game Commission.** ( Introduced: 2/16/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#) )

**Status:** 5/2/2024-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(6). (Last location was PRINT on 2/16/2024)

**Location:** 5/2/2024-A. DEAD

**Summary:** The California Constitution establishes the Fish and Game Commission and provides for the delegation to the commission of powers relating to the protection and propagation of fish and game. Existing law places the Fish and Game Commission in the Natural Resources Agency. This bill would make nonsubstantive changes to this latter provision.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

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[AB 3186](#) ([Petrie-Norris D](#)) **Public works: prevailing wages: access to records.** ( Amended: 4/8/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#) )

**Status:** 4/18/2024-From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on APPR. (Ayes 5. Noes 0.) (April 17). Re-referred to Com. on APPR.

**Location:** 4/18/2024-A. APPR.

**Calendar:** 5/8/2024 9:30 a.m. - 1021 O Street, Room 1100  
ASSEMBLY APPROPRIATIONS, WICKS, BUFFY, Chair

**Summary:** Existing law requires that, except as specified, not less than the general prevailing rate of per diem wages be paid to workers employed on public works and imposes misdemeanor penalties for a willful violation of this requirement. Existing law defines "public works," for the purposes of regulating public works contracts, as, among other things, construction, alteration, demolition, installation, or repair work done under contract and paid for, in whole or in part, out of public funds. Existing law requires the Labor Commissioner to investigate allegations that a

contractor or subcontractor violated the law regulating public works projects, including the payment of prevailing wages. Existing law requires each contractor and subcontractor on a public works project to keep accurate payroll records, showing the name, address, social security number, work classification, straight time and overtime hours worked each day and week, and the actual per diem wages paid to each journeyman, apprentice, worker, or other employee employed by the contractor or subcontractor in connection with the public work. Existing law requires any copy of records made available for inspection as copies and furnished upon request to the public or any public agency to be marked or obliterated to prevent disclosure of an individual's name, address, and social security number but specifies that any copy of records made available to a Taft-Hartley trust fund for the purposes of allocating contributions to participants be marked or obliterated only to prevent disclosure of an individual's full social security number, as specified. This bill would require each contractor and subcontractor performing work on any public works project and any covered entity, as defined for these purposes as a corporation, limited liability company, partnership, joint venture, or other legal entity, that develops or undertakes such project, to make specified records available upon request to the Division of Labor Standards Enforcement, to multiemployer Taft-Hartley trust funds, and to joint labor-management committees, as specified. The bill would also apply this requirement to contractors, subcontractors, and covered entities that are developing, undertaking, or performing work on a development project for which contractors are required to maintain and verify payroll records, as specified. The bill would subject a contractor, subcontractor, or covered entity, for failing to comply with the provisions of this act, to a penalty by the commissioner, as specified, and would deposit the penalties into a specified fund. This bill would require the Director of Industrial Relations to adopt rules to govern the release of those records, as specified. This bill contains other existing laws.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

**[AB 3187](#) ([Carrillo, Juan D](#)) **Safe Drinking Water Plan.** ( Introduced: 2/16/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#) )**

**Status:** 5/2/2024-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(6). (Last location was PRINT on 2/16/2024)

**Location:** 5/2/2024-A. DEAD

**Summary:** Existing law declares it to be the established policy of the state that every human being has the right to safe, clean, affordable, and accessible water adequate for human consumption, cooking, and sanitary purposes. The California Safe Drinking Water Act requires the State Water Resources Control Board to maintain a drinking water program and carry out various duties, responsibilities, and functions relating to drinking water, including submission to the Legislature, every 5 years, of a comprehensive Safe Drinking Water Plan for California. This bill would make nonsubstantive changes to the provision requiring submission of a Safe Drinking Water Plan.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

**[AB 3188](#) ([Chen R](#)) **Public utility franchises.** ( Introduced: 2/16/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#) )**

**Status:** 5/2/2024-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(6). (Last location was PRINT on 2/16/2024)

**Location:** 5/2/2024-A. DEAD



**Summary:** Existing law authorizes a local government to grant franchises and other privileges to certain public utilities, and requires that those franchises or privileges be granted consistent with specified conditions. This bill would make nonsubstantive changes to that requirement.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

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**AB 3198** (**Garcia D**) **Joint powers agreements: retail electric services.** ( Amended: 4/16/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#) )

**Status:** 5/2/2024-Read second time. Ordered to Consent Calendar.

**Location:** 5/1/2024-A. CONSENT CALENDAR

**Calendar:** 5/9/2024 #157 ASSEMBLY CONSENT CALENDAR 2ND DAY-ASSEMBLY BILLS

**Summary:** Existing law, the Joint Exercise of Powers Act, authorizes 2 or more public agencies, if authorized by their legislative or other governing bodies, to enter into an agreement to jointly exercise any power common to the contracting parties, as provided. That act requires, among other things, that the agreement state the purpose of the agreement or power to be exercised and provide for the method by which the purpose will be accomplished or the manner in which the power will be exercised. This bill would authorize a public agency with the authority to provide retail electric services to enter into a joint powers agreement with one or more public agencies with jurisdiction within the Coachella Valley Service Area, as defined, to jointly exercise the authority to provide retail electric services notwithstanding an inability of a party to the joint powers agreement to exercise that power independently. This bill would make legislative findings and declarations as to the necessity of a special statute for the Coachella Valley Service Area, as defined.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

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**AB 3200** (**Hoover R**) **Master-metered mobilehome parks and manufactured housing communities: transfer of water systems.** ( Introduced: 2/16/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#) )

**Status:** 4/25/2024-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(5). (Last location was U. & E. on 3/21/2024)

**Location:** 4/25/2024-A. DEAD

**Summary:** Existing law vests the Public Utilities Commission (commission) with regulatory authority over public utilities, including water corporations. Existing law authorizes the commission to fix the rates and charges for every public utility and requires that those rates and charges be just and reasonable. Existing law exempts from the jurisdiction, control, or regulation of the commission any person or corporation, as specified, that maintains a mobilehome park or a multiple unit residential complex and provides, or will provide, water service to users through a submeter service system if each user of the submeter service system is charged at the rate which would be applicable if the user were receiving the water directly from the water corporation, or if management of the mobilehome park complies with a specified notice provision. This bill would require the commission to authorize and establish a pilot program for specified water corporations to accept the transfer of ownership and operational responsibility of water systems in master-metered mobilehome parks or

manufactured housing communities, and provide that the exemption described above does not apply to the maintenance or provision of water service by a water corporation pursuant to that pilot program, as specified. The bill would authorize the owner of a master-metered mobilehome park or manufactured housing community that provides water service to residents to transfer ownership and operational responsibility to the water corporation providing service in the area in which the park or community is located, or as the park or community owner and the serving water corporation mutually agree. The bill would impose specified duties on a water corporation and on the owner of the mobilehome park or manufactured housing community in connection with the transfer. The bill would require the commission to establish procedures for initiating and completing the transfer, as provided, including by requiring the owner of the mobilehome park or manufactured housing community to provide written notice of the intent to transfer ownership and operational responsibility of a water system in a mobilehome park or manufactured housing community to the water corporation. The bill would require the commission to authorize the water corporation to recover in its revenue requirement and rates all costs to acquire, improve, upgrade, operate, and maintain transferred mobilehome park or manufactured housing community water systems. The bill would also require the commission to adopt a standard form contract for these transfers that would be the basis for an expedited approval of the transfer. The bill would prohibit costs related to the transfer of ownership process from being passed through to the park or community residents, but would provide that those costs would be recoverable in rates. The bill would authorize the mobilehome park or manufactured housing community owner, by written notice, to stop the transfer process at any time. The bill would authorize, at any time during the transfer of ownership process, either party to apply to the commission for informal mediation and resolution of any issue, finding, determination, or delay in the transfer process. The bill would require, if the initiation of the transfer process does not result in a transfer of the park or community owner's water system to the water corporation, all information, data, reports, studies, and proposals to be retained by the water corporation for a period of 5 years or offered to the mobilehome park or manufactured housing community owner, as specified. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

**[AB 3219](#) ([Sanchez R](#)) **Advanced Clean Fleets Regulation: local governments.** ( Amended: 3/11/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#) )**

**Status:** 5/2/2024-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(6). (Last location was TRANS. on 3/11/2024)

**Location:** 5/2/2024-A. DEAD

**Summary:** Existing law requires the State Air Resources Board to adopt and implement motor vehicle emission standards, in-use performance standards, and motor vehicle fuel specifications for the control of air contaminants and sources of air pollution that the state board has found necessary, cost effective, and technologically feasible. The California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006 establishes the state board as the state agency responsible for monitoring and regulating sources emitting greenhouse gases and requires the state board to adopt rules and regulations to achieve the maximum technologically feasible and cost-effective greenhouse gas emission reductions from those sources. Pursuant to its authority, the state board has adopted the Advanced Clean Fleets Regulation, which imposes various requirements for transitioning local, state, and federal government fleets of medium- and heavy-duty trucks, other high-priority fleets of medium- and heavy-duty trucks, and drayage trucks to zero-emission vehicles. The Advanced Clean Fleets Regulation authorizes entities subject to the regulation to apply for exemptions from its requirements under

certain circumstances. This bill would provide that the requirements of the Advanced Clean Fleets Regulation do not apply to the purchase by a local government of vehicles with a gross vehicle weight rating greater than 8,500 pounds if the price of the zero-emission version of a vehicle is more than an unspecified percentage of the price of a comparable internal combustion engine version of that vehicle. This bill contains other existing laws.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA		AA - No Folder		

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**[AB 3227](#) (Alvarez D) California Environmental Quality Act: exemption: stormwater facilities: routine maintenance. ( Amended: 4/24/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#) )**

**Status:** 4/25/2024-Re-referred to Com. on APPR.

**Location:** 4/22/2024-A. APPR.

**Calendar:** 5/8/2024 9:30 a.m. - 1021 O Street, Room 1100  
ASSEMBLY APPROPRIATIONS, WICKS, BUFFY, Chair

**Summary:** The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) requires a lead agency, as defined, to prepare, or cause to be prepared, and certify the completion of an environmental impact report 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. This bill would, if certain conditions are met, exempt from the provisions of CEQA the routine maintenance of stormwater facilities that are fully concrete or that have a conveyance capacity of less than a 100-year storm event. The bill would, if the lead agency determines that a project is not subject to CEQA pursuant to these provisions and determines to approve or carry out the project, require the lead agency to file a notice with the State Clearinghouse in the Office of Planning and Research and with the county clerk in the county in which the project will be located, as provided, thereby imposing a state-mandated local program. Because a lead agency would be required to determine whether a project qualifies for this exemption, 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				

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**[ACA 2](#) (Alanis R) Water Resiliency Act of 2024. ( Amended: 3/6/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#) )**

**Status:** 3/19/2024-In committee: Set, first hearing. Hearing canceled at the request of author.

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

**Summary:** The California Constitution declares that the general welfare requires that the water resources of the state be put to beneficial use to the fullest extent of which they are capable, and that the right to the use of water does not extend to the waste or unreasonable use, method of use, or method of diversion of water. This measure would require the Treasurer to annually transfer an amount equal to 1.5% of all state revenues from the General Fund to the California Water Resiliency Trust Fund, which the measure would create. The measure would continuously appropriate moneys

in the fund to the California Water Commission for its actual costs of implementing these provisions and for specified water infrastructure projects. The measure would require the California State Auditor to annually conduct a programmatic review and an audit of expenditures from the California Water Resiliency Trust Fund and to report those findings, as specified. The measure would authorize a project funded pursuant to these provisions to elect to be subject to a streamlined review pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act, as specified. The measure would provide that its provisions are severable and would require the Attorney General to defend against any action challenging the validity of the measure, except as provided.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

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

**Status:** 5/1/2024-In committee: Set, first hearing. Referred to suspense file.

**Location:** 5/1/2024-A. APPR. SUSPENSE FILE

**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				

**[HR 75](#) (Soria D) Relative to Groundwater Awareness Week.** ( Chaptered: 3/7/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#) )

**Status:** 3/7/2024-Coauthors revised. Read. Adopted. (Ayes 69. Noes 0.).

**Location:** 3/7/2024-A. ADOPTED

**Summary:** This measure would resolve that the Assembly hereby recognizes and declares March 10, 2024, through March 16, 2024, as Groundwater Awareness Week.

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.

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**[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				

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**[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				

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**[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.

<b>Organization</b>	<b>Assigned</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Priority</b>	<b>Subject</b>	<b>Group</b>
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

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**[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.

<b>Organization</b>	<b>Assigned</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Priority</b>	<b>Subject</b>	<b>Group</b>
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

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**[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: 4/8/2024 [html pdf](#) )

**Status:** 4/8/2024-From committee with author's amendments. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Com. on W., P., & W.

**Location:** 6/8/2023-A. W.,P. & W.

**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 designated 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, a discussion of agricultural water needs, and an analysis of

the costs and benefits of achieving the water supply targets. 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
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

**[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: Sacramento-San Joaquin Valley.** ( Chaptered: 4/30/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#) )**

**Status:** 4/30/2024-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 10, Statutes of 2024.

**Location:** 4/30/2024-S. CHAPTERED

**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 and for the City of West Sacramento to achieve the urban level of flood protection by 2030. This bill would extend the specified exception to the deadline for the Mossdale Tract and the City of West Sacramento to achieve the urban level of flood protection to 2040. The bill would also extend the Department of Water Resources' authority to require the San Joaquin Area Flood Control Agency and the West Sacramento Area Flood Control Agency to contribute its fair and reasonable share of property damage, as described above, to between the years 2025 and 2040. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

**[SB 597](#) ([Glazer D](#)) **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 903](#) (Skinner D) Environmental health: product safety: perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances.** ( Amended: 4/11/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#) )

**Status:** 4/29/2024-April 29 hearing: Placed on APPR suspense file.

**Location:** 4/29/2024-S. APPR. SUSPENSE FILE

**Summary:** Existing law, commencing January 1, 2025, prohibits the manufacture, distribution, sale, or offering for sale in the state of any new, not previously used, textile articles that contain regulated perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS). Existing law, commencing January 1, 2025, prohibits the manufacture, sale, delivery, holding, or offering for sale in commerce of any cosmetic product that contains intentionally added PFAS. This bill would, beginning January 1, 2032, prohibit a person from distributing, selling, or offering for sale a product that contains intentionally added

PFAS, as defined, unless the Department of Toxic Substances Control has made a determination that the use of PFAS in the product is a currently unavoidable use, the prohibition is preempted by federal law, or the product is previously used. The bill would specify the criteria and procedures for determining whether the use of PFAS in a product is a currently unavoidable use, for renewing that determination, and for revoking that determination. The bill would require the department to maintain on its internet website a list of each determination of currently unavoidable use, when each determination expires, and the products and uses that are exempt from the prohibition. The bill would impose an administrative penalty for a violation of the prohibition, as specified. The bill would establish the PFAS Penalty Account and require all administrative penalties received to be deposited into that account and, upon appropriation by the Legislature, to be used for the administration and enforcement of these provisions, as specified. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

**[SB 937](#)** ([Wiener D](#)) **Development projects: permits and other entitlements: fees and charges.** ( Amended: 4/8/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#) )

**Status:** 4/30/2024-Read second time. Ordered to third reading.

**Location:** 4/30/2024-S. THIRD READING

**Calendar:** 5/9/2024 #51 SENATE THIRD READING

**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 24 months the period for the expiration, effectuation, or utilization of a housing entitlement, entitlement for a priority residential development project, as those terms are defined, that was issued before January 1, 2024, and that will expire before December 31, 2025, except as specified. The bill would toll this 24-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		AA - No Folder		

**[SB 945](#)** ([Alvarado-Gil D](#)) **The Wildfire Smoke and Health Outcomes Data Act.** ( Amended: 3/21/2024

[html pdf](#))

**Status:** 4/29/2024-April 29 hearing: Placed on APPR suspense file.

**Location:** 4/29/2024-S. APPR. SUSPENSE FILE

**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 no later than July 1, 2026, that, among other things, would integrate wildfire smoke and health data from multiple databases. 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.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA		AA - No Folder		

**[SB 955](#) ([Seyarto R](#)) Office of Planning and Research: Infrastructure Gap-Fund Program. (**

Amended: 4/4/2024 [html pdf](#).)

**Status:** 4/15/2024-April 15 hearing: Placed on APPR suspense file.

**Location:** 4/15/2024-S. APPR. SUSPENSE FILE

**Summary:** Existing law establishes the Office of Planning and Research in the Governor’s office for the purpose of serving the Governor and the Governor’s cabinet as staff for long-range planning and research and constituting the comprehensive state planning agency. Existing law authorizes a local agency to finance infrastructure projects through various means, including by establishing an enhanced infrastructure financing district to finance public capital facilities or other specified projects of communitywide significance that provide significant benefits to the district or the surrounding community. This bill would require the office, upon appropriation by the Legislature, to establish the Infrastructure Gap-Fund Program to provide grants to local agencies to develop and construct infrastructure projects, as defined. The bill would authorize the office to provide funding for up to 20% of a project’s total cost, subject to specified requirements, including, among other things, that the office is prohibited from awarding a grant to a local agency unless the local agency provides funding that has been raised through local taxes for at least 10% of the infrastructure project’s total cost. The bill would require the office to develop guidelines to implement the program that establish the criteria by which grant applications will be evaluated and funded. The bill would make these provisions operative January 1, 2027.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

**[SB 1034](#) ([Seyarto R](#)) California Public Records Act: state of emergency. ( Amended: 4/4/2024 [html](#)**

[pdf](#) )

**Status:** 5/6/2024-Referred to Com. on JUD.

**Location:** 5/6/2024-A. JUD.

**Summary:** The California Public Records Act requires state and local agencies to make their records available for public inspection, except as specified. Existing law requires each agency, within 10 days of a request for a copy of records, to determine whether the request seeks copies of disclosable public records in possession of the agency and to promptly notify the person of the determination and the reasons therefor. Existing law authorizes that time limit to be extended by no more than 14 days under unusual circumstances, and defines “unusual circumstances” to include certain circumstances. This bill would revise the unusual circumstances under which the time limit may be extended to include the need to search for, collect, appropriately examine, and copy records during a state of emergency, as defined, proclaimed by the Governor when the state of emergency has affected the agency’s ability to timely respond to requests due to decreased staffing or closure of the agency’s facilities, except as specified. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

<b>Organization</b>	<b>Assigned</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Priority</b>	<b>Subject</b>	<b>Group</b>
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

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**[SB 1065](#) ([Padilla D](#)) **Primary drinking water standards: hexavalent chromium: compliance plan.** (**

Amended: 4/8/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#) )

**Status:** 4/25/2024-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(5). (Last location was E.Q. on 4/3/2024)

**Location:** 4/25/2024-S. DEAD

**Summary:** The California Safe Drinking Water Act provides for the operation of public water systems and imposes on the State Water Resources Control Board various duties and responsibilities for the regulation and control of drinking water in the State of California. The act requires the state board to adopt primary drinking water standards for contaminants in drinking water based upon specified criteria, and requires a primary drinking water standard to be established for hexavalent chromium. Existing law authorizes the state board to grant a variance from primary drinking water standards to a public water system. Existing law makes certain violations of the act a crime. The bill would authorize, until January 1, 2029, the state board to grant an extension of up to 3 years beyond any other compliance period established by the state board for a public water system to achieve compliance with the primary drinking water standard for hexavalent chromium, as prescribed. The bill would require a public water system to comply with all requirements that the state board has established for a public water system during the compliance period, including public notice. The bill would prohibit a public water system from being deemed in violation of the primary drinking water standard for hexavalent chromium while implementing a compliance plan that has been approved by the state board if an extension is provided. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

<b>Organization</b>	<b>Assigned</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Priority</b>	<b>Subject</b>	<b>Group</b>
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

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**[SB 1072](#) ([Padilla D](#)) **Local government: Proposition 218: remedies.** ( Amended: 4/24/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#) )**

**Status:** 5/2/2024-Read second time. Ordered to third reading.

**Location:** 5/2/2024-S. THIRD READING

**Calendar:** 5/9/2024 #72 SENATE THIRD READING

**Summary:** The California Constitution sets forth various requirements for the imposition of local taxes. The California Constitution excludes from classification as a tax assessments and property-related fees imposed in accordance with provisions of the California Constitution that establish requirements for those assessments and property-related fees. Under these requirements, an assessment is prohibited from being imposed on any parcel if it exceeds the reasonable cost of the proportional special benefit conferred on that parcel, and a fee or charge imposed on any parcel or person as an incident of property ownership is prohibited from exceeding the proportional cost of the service attributable to the parcel. Existing law, known as the Proposition 218 Omnibus Implementation Act, prescribes specific procedures and parameters for local compliance with the requirements of the California Constitution for assessments and property-related fees. This bill would require a local agency, if a court determines that a fee or charge for a property-related service, as specified, violates the above-described provisions of the California Constitution relating to fees and charges, to credit the amount of the fee or charge attributable to the violation against the amount of the revenues required to provide the property-related service, unless a refund is explicitly provided for by statute. The bill would declare that these provisions are declaratory of existing law. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

<b>Organization</b>	<b>Assigned</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Priority</b>	<b>Subject</b>	<b>Group</b>
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA	Support	AA - No Folder		

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**[SB 1088](#) (Alvarado-Gil D) Office of Emergency Services: state matching funds: water system infrastructure improvements.** ( Amended: 3/18/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#) )

**Status:** 5/6/2024-May 6 hearing: Placed on APPR suspense file.

**Location:** 5/6/2024-S. APPR. SUSPENSE FILE

**Summary:** Existing law establishes, within the office of the Governor, the Office of Emergency Services (OES), under the direction of the Director of Emergency Services. Existing law charges the OES with coordinating various emergency activities within the state. The California Emergency Services Act, contingent upon an appropriation by the Legislature, requires the OES to enter into a joint powers agreement pursuant to the Joint Exercise of Powers Act with the Department of Forestry and Fire Protection to develop and administer a comprehensive wildfire mitigation program relating to structure hardening and retrofitting and prescribed fuel modification activities. Existing law authorizes the joint powers authority to establish financial assistance limits and matching funding or other recipient contribution requirements for the program, as provided. This bill would, contingent on funding being appropriated pursuant to a bond act, as specified, establish the Rural and Small Community Fire Resilience Program within the OES for the distribution of state matching funds to communities within the Wildland Urban Interface to improve water system infrastructure, as prescribed. The bill would require the OES to work in coordination with the Department of Water Resources, the State Water Resources Control Board, the Office of the State Fire Marshal, and other state entities as the office determines to be appropriate, to achieve the purposes of the program.

<b>Organization</b>	<b>Assigned</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Priority</b>	<b>Subject</b>	<b>Group</b>
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				



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**[SB 1110](#) (Ashby D) Urban retail water suppliers: informational order: conservation order. (**

Amended: 4/24/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#).)

**Status:** 5/3/2024-Set for hearing May 13.

**Location:** 4/23/2024-S. APPR.

**Calendar:** 5/13/2024 10 a.m. - 1021 O Street, Room 2200  
SENATE APPROPRIATIONS, CABALLERO, ANNA, Chair

**Summary:** Existing law authorizes the State Water Resources Control Board, on and after January 1, 2024, to issue informational orders pertaining to water production, water use, and water conservation to an urban retail water supplier that does not meet its urban water use objective, as provided. This bill would instead authorize the board to issue the informational orders on and after January 1, 2026. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water	DKA				
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**[SB 1121](#) (Grove R) Recycled water: onsite treated nonpotable water systems: local jurisdiction permitting. ( Introduced: 2/13/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#).)**

**Status:** 5/2/2024-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(6). (Last location was E.Q. on 2/21/2024)

**Location:** 5/2/2024-S. DEAD

**Summary:** Existing law requires the State Water Resources Control Board to establish uniform statewide recycling criteria for each varying type of use of recycled water where the use involves the protection of public health. Existing law requires the board, in consultation with the California Building Standards Commission and the Department of Housing and Community Development, to adopt regulations for risk-based water quality standards for the onsite treatment and reuse of nonpotable water, and requires a local jurisdiction that elects to establish a program for onsite treated nonpotable water systems to establish design criteria, permitting, cross-connection control, and enforcement procedures, as provided. This bill would require those local jurisdictions to ensure their permitting procedures require the approval of a permit for an onsite treated nonpotable water system within 60 days from the date the permit application is submitted if the application demonstrates that the project meets or exceeds the state board's water quality standards for the onsite treatment and reuse of nonpotable water for nonpotable uses in multifamily residential, commercial, and mixed-use buildings.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water	DKA				
Agency	AA				

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**[SB 1134](#) (Caballero D) Surplus land. ( Amended: 3/18/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#).)**

**Status:** 5/2/2024-Read second time. Ordered to third reading.

**Location:** 5/2/2024-S. THIRD READING

**Calendar:** 5/9/2024 #73 SENATE THIRD READING

**Summary:** Existing law provides for the disposal of land owned by a local agency that is surplus

and is not necessary for the agency's use. The local agency is required to declare the land either "surplus land" or "exempt surplus land," as prescribed. Existing law sets forth procedures for the disposal of surplus land and provides that these procedures do not apply to exempt surplus land. Existing law, for prescribed surplus land parcels developed with residential units, requires minimum percentages of residential units developed on the parcel to be sold or rented at affordable housing cost or affordable rent. This bill, with regard to surplus land, would require each parcel of land to be considered a distinct unit of surplus land, with the exception of contiguous parcels that are disposed of simultaneously to the same receiving entity or any entity working in concert with another receiving entity, which parcels the bill would require to be treated as a single unit of land.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

**[SB 1147](#) ([Portantino D](#)) **Drinking water: bottled water: microplastics levels.** ( Amended: 4/10/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#) )**

**Status:** 5/3/2024-Set for hearing May 13.

**Location:** 4/25/2024-S. APPR.

**Calendar:** 5/13/2024 10 a.m. - 1021 O Street, Room 2200  
SENATE APPROPRIATIONS, CABALLERO, ANNA, Chair

**Summary:** Existing law, the Sherman Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Law, regulates, among other things, the manufacture, production, processing, and packing of any food, drug, device, or cosmetic, and is administered by the State Department of Public Health. The law prescribes various quality and labeling standards for bottled water and vended water, and limits the levels of certain contaminants that may be contained in those water products. Existing law makes a violation of the law or regulation adopted pursuant to the law a crime. Existing law requires, as a condition of licensure, a water-bottling plant, as defined, to annually prepare a water-bottling plant report, as specified, and to make the report available to each customer, upon request. This bill would require, upon adoption by the State Water Resources Control Board of a primary drinking water standard for microplastics, any water-bottling plant that produces bottled water that is sold in this state to provide the State Department of Public Health's Food and Drug Branch an annual report on the levels of microplastics found in the source water used for bottling and in the final bottled water product that is offered for sale, as provided. The bill would require this report to be included with the annual water-bottling plant report and, upon request, be made available to each consumer. By expanding requirements on water-bottling plants, the violation of which 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				

**[SB 1156](#) ([Hurtado D](#)) **Groundwater sustainability agencies: conflicts of interest: financial interest disclosures.** ( Amended: 4/29/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#) )**

**Status:** 5/7/2024-Read second time. Ordered to consent calendar.

**Location:** 5/6/2024-S. CONSENT CALENDAR

**Calendar:** 5/9/2024 #117 SENATE CONSENT CALENDAR - 2ND DAY

**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 requires a groundwater sustainability plan to be developed and implemented for each medium- or high-priority basin by a groundwater sustainability agency. 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, as provided. The Political Reform Act of 1974 prohibits a public official from making, participating in making, or attempting to use their official position to influence a governmental decision in which they know or have reason to know that they have a financial interest, as defined. The act requires specified public officials, including elected state officers, judges and court commissioners, members of certain boards and commissions, other state and local public officials, and candidates for these positions to file statements of economic interests, annually and at other specified times, that disclose their investments, interests in real property, income, and business positions. The Fair Political Practices Commission is the filing officer for such statements filed by statewide elected officers and candidates and other specified public officials. This bill would require members of the executive team, board of directors, and other groundwater management decision makers of groundwater sustainability agencies to file statements of economic interests according to the filing requirements described above. The bill would require that these statements be filed with the Fair Political Practices Commission, and would require the commission to establish guidelines and procedures for the submission and review of the statements. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

**SB 1169** ([Stern D](#)) **Los Angeles County Flood Control District: finances.** ( Amended: 3/18/2024 [html.pdf](#) )

**Status:** 5/2/2024-Read second time. Ordered to consent calendar.

**Location:** 5/1/2024-S. CONSENT CALENDAR

**Calendar:** 5/9/2024 #111 SENATE CONSENT CALENDAR - 2ND DAY

**Summary:** Existing law, the Los Angeles County Flood Control Act, establishes the Los Angeles County Flood Control District and authorizes the district to control and conserve the flood, storm, and other wastewaters of the district. Existing law authorizes the district to borrow money from certain entities for any flood control work authorized under the act and to repay the same, in annual installments, over a period not to exceed 20 years with an interest at a rate not to exceed 4.25% per annum. Existing law requires the district to annually levy a tax upon the taxable real property of the district clearly sufficient to pay the interest and installments of principal for those loans. Existing law limits the total amount the district may borrow not to exceed in the aggregate the sum of \$4,500,000. Existing law also limits the total amount of bonds or other evidence of indebtedness in the aggregate that the district may issue and sell to not exceed \$4,500,000. This bill would instead authorize the district to borrow money or obtain loan guarantees from those entities and to repay the same over a period not to exceed 35 years with interest at a rate not to exceed 5.5% annually. The bill would instead authorize the district to levy a tax, in compliance with the applicable provisions of Article XIII C of the California Constitution, clearly sufficient to pay the interest and installments of principal for those loans. The bill would also delete the limits on the amount the district may borrow and the total amount of bonds or other evidence of indebtedness that the district may issue and sell. This bill contains other related provisions.

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

**[SB 1177](#) (Bradford D) Public utilities: women, minority, disabled veteran, and LGBT business enterprises.** ( Amended: 4/9/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#) )

**Status:** 4/16/2024-Read second time. Ordered to third reading.

**Location:** 4/16/2024-S. THIRD READING

**Calendar:** 5/9/2024 #22 SENATE THIRD READING

**Summary:** Existing law requires the Public Utilities Commission to require every electrical corporation, gas corporation, water corporation, wireless telecommunications service provider, electric service provider, and telephone corporation with annual gross California revenues exceeding \$25,000,000, and their regulated subsidiaries and affiliates, to annually submit a detailed and verifiable plan for increasing procurement from women, minority, disabled veteran, and LGBT business enterprises (WMDVLGBT business enterprises) and an annual report to the commission regarding the implementation of programs related to procurement from WMDVLGBT business enterprises, as specified. Existing law requires the commission to require each of the above-described entities with gross annual California revenues exceeding \$15,000,000, but not more than \$25,000,000, to annually submit data in a simplified form to the commission on its procurement from WMDVLGBT business enterprises, as specified. Existing law requires the commission, by rule or order to, adopt criteria for verifying and determining the eligibility of WMDVLGBT business enterprises for procurement contracts. This bill would require the above-described entities with annual gross California revenues exceeding \$25,000,000, and would require the above-described entities with annual gross California revenues exceeding \$15,000,000, but not more than \$25,000,000, to include certain information as part of each annual report or data submission described above, including, among other information, data regarding the diversity of contractor or subcontractor workforces, as provided. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

**[SB 1178](#) (Padilla D) California Water Quality and Public Health Protection Act.** ( Amended: 4/29/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#) )

**Status:** 5/3/2024-Set for hearing May 13.

**Location:** 4/29/2024-S. APPR.

**Calendar:** 5/13/2024 10 a.m. - 1021 O Street, Room 2200  
SENATE APPROPRIATIONS, CABALLERO, ANNA, Chair

**Summary:** Under existing law, the State Water Resources Control Board and the 9 California regional water quality control boards regulate water quality and prescribe waste discharge requirements in accordance with the federal national pollutant discharge elimination system permit program established by the federal Clean Water Act and the Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act. This bill would require the board to, on or before August 1, 2025, establish regulations governing annual reporting by compliance entities, as defined, regarding waste discharges, as provided. The bill would require compliance entities to submit a report to the board by June 1, 2026,

and annually thereafter on waste discharges and their locations, as provided. The bill would require the board to quantify the cost of mitigating contamination, if any, caused by those reported waste discharges and would require the board to notify the compliance entities of the cost of mitigating their contamination. The bill would authorize the compliance entity to elect to mitigate the contamination caused by the entity's reported waste discharges, or to have the board impose a surcharge for the cost of mitigating the compliance entity's contamination. The bill would create the California Water Quality and Public Health Impact Fund for receipt of revenue from the surcharge. The bill would require the moneys in the fund to be used exclusively to mitigate the impacts of the contamination on waters of the state caused by the reported waste discharges. The bill would authorize the board to charge compliance entities a reasonable fee necessary to cover the board's reasonable costs of administering and implementing these provisions and to impose noncompliance penalties, not to exceed \$1,000,000. The bill would exempt from these provisions certain discharge requirements prescribed by the state board or a regional board and permits issued by a state in accordance with a program approved by the United States Environmental Protection Agency pursuant to the federal Clean Water Act.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA		AA - No Folder		

**[SB 1185](#) (Niello R) Water conservation: water use objectives.** ( Amended: 3/18/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#).)

**Status:** 4/25/2024-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(5). (Last location was N.R. & W. on 4/3/2024)

**Location:** 4/25/2024-S. DEAD

**Summary:** Existing law requires all water suppliers to increase the efficient use of water. Existing law establishes various water use objectives and restrictions, including urban water use objectives. Existing law requires the State Water Resources Control Board, in coordination with the Department of Water Resources, to adopt long-term standards for the efficient use of water, including standards for, among other things, a volume for water loss, and requires the board, when adopting the standards, to consider policies relating to urban water use objectives and proposed efficiency standards' effects on local wastewater management, developed and natural parklands, and urban tree health. This bill would delete the requirement that the board adopt standards, for purposes of urban water use objectives, for water loss and would instead require the board to consider the policies relating to urban water use objectives and proposed efficiency standards' effects on water loss. The bill would also set forth standards, policies, and procedures relating to water use objectives, generally, including, among other things, a prohibition against any water use objective established by the board that causes a reduction of more than 20% when compared to a water supplier's actual water use in 2023 or that exceeds a water use standard recommended by the department. The bill would also authorize any amount of water to be used for a variance from a water use objective and would prohibit any required minimum amount of water for a variance. The bill would impose additional duties on the board, including requiring the board to develop a self-certification process for water suppliers for purposes of validating the amount of water in a variance, as provided.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

**[SB 1188](#) (Laird D) Drinking water: technical, managerial, and financial standards. (**

Amended: 3/18/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#).)

**Status:** 4/29/2024-April 29 hearing: Placed on APPR suspense file.

**Location:** 4/29/2024-S. APPR. SUSPENSE FILE

**Summary:** Existing law, the California Safe Drinking Water Act, imposes on the State Water Resources Control Board various responsibilities and duties relating to providing a dependable, safe supply of drinking water. Existing law requires the state board to directly enforce the provisions of the act for all public water systems, except as specified. The act prohibits a person from operating a public water system unless the person first submits an application to the state board and receives a permit to operate the system, as specified. Existing law authorizes the state board to impose permit conditions, requirements for system improvements, technical, financial, or managerial requirements, and time schedules as it deems necessary to ensure a reliable and adequate supply of water at all times that is pure, wholesome, potable, and does not endanger the health of consumers. Existing law makes it a crime to knowingly make any false statement or representation in any application, record, report, or other document submitted, maintained, or used for purposes of compliance with the act. This bill would require the state board to develop and adopt minimum standards related to the technical, managerial, and financial capacity of public water systems with fewer than 10,000 service connections. The bill would require public water systems with fewer than 10,000 service connections to have the capacity to demonstrate compliance with those standards, as provided. This bill would prohibit the state board and the Department of Water Resources from granting or loaning state funding to a public water system that fails to comply with the bill unless the state board or department makes a finding regarding at least one of 3 specified conditions. The bill would authorize the state board to require a public water system subject to the minimum standards to show proof that it has the technical, managerial, and financial capacity to comply with the standards, including, but not limited to, annual reporting of information necessary and appropriate to monitor a public water system's current capacity status. Because knowingly making a false statement or representation in that report would be a crime under the California Safe Drinking Water Act, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program by expanding the scope of a crime.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

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**[SB 1208](#) (Padilla D) Waste discharge permits: landfills. ( Amended: 4/29/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#).)**

**Status:** 5/3/2024-Set for hearing May 13.

**Location:** 4/24/2024-S. APPR.

**Calendar:** 5/13/2024 10 a.m. - 1021 O Street, Room 2200  
SENATE APPROPRIATIONS, CABALLERO, ANNA, Chair

**Summary:** Under existing law, the State Water Resources Control Board and the 9 California regional water quality control boards regulate water quality and prescribe waste discharge requirements in accordance with the Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act and the federal national pollutant discharge elimination system permit program established by the federal Clean Water Act. The California Integrated Waste Management Act of 1989 prohibits a regional water board from issuing a waste discharge permit for a new landfill, or a lateral expansion of an existing landfill, that is used for the disposal of nonhazardous solid waste if the land has been primarily used at any time for the mining or excavation of gravel or sand, as specified. The act defines "landfill used for the disposal of nonhazardous solid waste" as a disposal site regulated by a regional water board

as a Class III landfill, as provided. This bill would additionally prohibit a regional water board from issuing a waste discharge permit for a new landfill that is used for the disposal of nonhazardous solid waste if the land is located within the Tijuana River National Estuarine Research Reserve or within an area that is tributary to the Tijuana River, except as provided. The bill would also expand the definition of “landfill used for the disposal of nonhazardous solid waste” to also include a disposal site regulated by a regional water board as a Class II landfill, as provided. This bill contains other existing laws.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

**[SB 1210](#) (Skinner D) New housing construction: electrical, gas, sewer, and water service: service connection information.** ( Amended: 4/22/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#) )

**Status:** 5/7/2024-Read second time. Ordered to third reading.

**Location:** 5/7/2024-S. THIRD READING

**Calendar:** 5/9/2024 #81 SENATE THIRD READING

**Summary:** Existing law vests the Public Utilities Commission with regulatory authority over public utilities, including electrical corporations, gas corporations, sewer system corporations, and water corporations, while local publicly owned utilities, including municipal utility districts, public utility districts, and irrigation districts, are under the direction of their governing boards. This bill would, for new housing construction, require the above-described utilities, on or before January 1, 2026, to publicly post on their internet websites (1) the schedule of fees for a service connection, capacity, or other point of connection charge for each housing development type, including, but not limited to, accessory dwelling unit, mixed-use, multifamily, and single-family developments, except as specified, and (2) the estimated timeframes for completing typical service connections needed for each housing development type, as specified. The bill would exempt from its provisions an independent special district that does not maintain an internet website due to a hardship, as provided. To the extent that this bill imposes new requirements on certain local agencies, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

**[SB 1218](#) (Newman D) Water: emergency water supplies.** ( Introduced: 2/15/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#) )

**Status:** 5/6/2024-May 6 hearing: Placed on APPR suspense file.

**Location:** 5/6/2024-S. APPR. SUSPENSE FILE

**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. The act requires an urban water management plan to include a water shortage contingency plan, as provided. This bill would declare that it is the established policy of the state to encourage and incentivize, but not mandate, the development of emergency water supplies, and to support their use during times of water shortage.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA		AA - No Folder		

**[SB 1226](#) (Cortese D) Hunting: navigable waters.** ( Introduced: 2/15/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#) )

**Status:** 5/2/2024-Read third time. Passed. (Ayes 38. Noes 0.) Ordered to the Assembly. In Assembly. Read first time. Held at Desk.

**Location:** 5/2/2024-A. DESK

**Summary:** Existing law makes it unlawful to enter land for the purpose of discharging a firearm or taking or destroying any mammal or bird, including waterfowl, on that land, without having first obtained written permission from the owner, the owner’s agent, or the person in lawful possession of that land, if either of the following applies: (1) the land belongs to, or is occupied by, another person and is either under cultivation or enclosed by a fence, or (2) there are signs forbidding trespass or hunting or both displayed at intervals not less than 3 to the mile along all exterior boundaries and at all roads and trails entering those lands, including land temporarily inundated by water flowing outside the established banks of a waterway. This bill would restrict the application of the provisions regarding land temporarily inundated by water flowing outside the established banks of a waterway to non-navigable waters. The bill would also state that these provisions do not restrict the public’s right to use navigable waters for hunting, fishing, or other public purposes under the California Constitution.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA		AA - No Folder		

**[SB 1255](#) (Durazo D) Public water systems: needs analysis.** ( Amended: 4/1/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#) )

**Status:** 4/29/2024-April 29 hearing: Placed on APPR suspense file.

**Location:** 4/29/2024-S. APPR. SUSPENSE FILE

**Summary:** The California Safe Drinking Water Act provides for the operation of public water systems and imposes on the State Water Resources Control Board various responsibilities and duties relating to the regulation of drinking water to protect public health. Existing law establishes the Safe and Affordable Drinking Water Fund in the State Treasury to help water systems provide an adequate and affordable supply of safe drinking water in both the near and long terms. Existing law requires the state board to annually adopt a fund expenditure plan, as provided, and requires expenditures from the fund to be consistent with the fund expenditure plan. Existing law requires the state board to base the fund expenditure plan on data and analysis drawn from a specified drinking water needs assessment. This bill would require the state board to update a needs analysis of the state’s public water systems to include an assessment, as specified, of the funds necessary to provide a 20% discount for low-income households served by community water systems with fewer than 3,000 service connections and for community water systems with fewer than 3,000 service connections to meet a specified affordability threshold on or before July 1, 2026, and on or before July 1 of every 3 years thereafter.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				



**[SB 1304](#) (Limón D) Underground injection control: aquifer exemption. ( Amended: 4/10/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#) )**

**Status:** 5/3/2024-Set for hearing May 13.

**Location:** 4/24/2024-S. APPR.

**Calendar:** 5/13/2024 10 a.m. - 1021 O Street, Room 2200  
SENATE APPROPRIATIONS, CABALLERO, ANNA, Chair

**Summary:** The federal Safe Drinking Water Act regulates certain wells as Class II wells, as defined. Under existing federal law, the authority to regulate Class II wells in California is delegated to the Geologic Energy Management Division in the Department of Conservation. Under existing law, the division implements the Underground Injection Control Program pursuant to this federal delegation. The federal act prohibits certain well activities that affect underground sources of drinking water, unless those sources are located in an exempted aquifer. Existing federal law authorizes a state delegated with the responsibility of regulating Class II wells to propose that an aquifer or a portion of an aquifer be an exempted aquifer and authorizes the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) to approve the proposal if the aquifer or a portion of the aquifer meets certain criteria. Existing law requires the division, before proposing an aquifer or a portion of an aquifer for exemption, to consult with the State Water Resources Control Board and the appropriate regional water quality control board concerning conformity of the proposal with certain requirements. If the division and the state board concur that the exemption proposal may merit consideration by the USEPA, existing law requires those agencies to provide a public comment period on the proposal and to jointly conduct a public hearing. If, after the review of public comments, those agencies concur that the exemption proposal merits consideration by the USEPA, existing law requires the division to submit the exemption proposal to the USEPA. This bill would, additionally, require the proposed aquifer exemption to meet the criteria that the injection of fluid will not be in an area identified by CalEnviroScreen as at risk for drinking water or groundwater threats. The bill would require the State Water Resources Control Board to conduct an environmental review of the proposed aquifer exemption in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act and to hold at least one public hearing during the environmental review. If the state board concurs with the aquifer exemption proposal following the environment review, the bill would require the state board, in coordination with the division and the appropriate regional water quality control board, to provide a public comment period and conduct a public hearing. The bill would authorize the state board, after public comments and hearing, if the state board determines that the aquifer exemption proposal meets the required criteria, to submit the exemption proposal to the USEPA. The bill would also make a conforming change.

<b>Organization</b>	<b>Assigned</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Priority</b>	<b>Subject</b>	<b>Group</b>
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

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**[SB 1330](#) (Archuleta D) Urban retail water supplier: water use. ( Amended: 4/24/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#) )**

**Status:** 5/3/2024-Set for hearing May 13.

**Location:** 4/23/2024-S. APPR.

**Calendar:** 5/13/2024 10 a.m. - 1021 O Street, Room 2200  
SENATE APPROPRIATIONS, CABALLERO, ANNA, Chair

**Summary:** Existing law requires an urban retail water supplier to calculate its urban water use objective no later than January 1, 2024, and by January 1 every year thereafter. Existing law requires each urban retail water supplier's water use objective to be composed of the sum of specified

aggregate estimates, including efficient outdoor irrigation of landscape areas with dedicated irrigation meters or equivalent technology in connection with water used by commercial water users, industrial water users, institutional water users, and large landscape water users (CII). Existing law requires an urban retail water supplier to submit reports to the Department of Water Resources, as provided, by the same dates. This bill would require the department to collect and update data for outdoor residential landscapes and CII landscapes at least once every 10 years and post the data on its internet website. The bill would authorize an urban retail water supplier to submit reports by January 1 or July 1 whether reporting is submitted on a calendar year or fiscal year basis. The bill would require, as part of the report to be submitted in 2026, each urban retail water supplier to provide a narrative that describes the water demand management measures that the supplier plans to implement to achieve its urban water use objective by January 1, 2030. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

**[SB 1360](#) (Alvarado-Gil D) Water quality: state board certification. ( Amended: 3/18/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#) )**

**Status:** 3/18/2024-From committee with author's amendments. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Com. on RLS.

**Location:** 2/16/2024-S. RLS.

**Summary:** Under existing law, the State Water Resources Control Board and the California regional water quality control boards prescribe waste discharge requirements in accordance with the Federal Water Pollution Control Act and the Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act. Under federal law, any applicant seeking a federal license or permit for an activity that may result in any discharge into the navigable waters of the United States is required to first seek a state water quality certification, as specified. The Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act authorizes the state board to certify or provide a statement to a federal agency, as required pursuant to federal law, that there is reasonable assurance that an activity of any person subject to the jurisdiction of the state board will not reduce water quality below applicable standards. The federal act provides that if a state fails or refuses to act on a request for this certification within a reasonable period of time, which shall not exceed one year after receipt of the request, then the state certification requirements are waived with respect to the federal application. Existing law authorizes the state board to issue the certificate or statement before completion of the required environmental review if the state board determines that waiting until completion of that environmental review to issue the certificate or statement poses a substantial risk of waiver of the state board's certification authority under the Federal Water Pollution Control Act or any other federal water quality control law, as provided. This bill would require the state board to issue the certificate or statement before completion of the required environmental review if the state board and Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development, in consultation with an applicant, jointly determine that the applicant's project will help the state meet its clean energy goals and increase electric reliability and waiting until completion of that environmental review to issue the certificate or statement poses a risk to the applicant of not being eligible for federal tax credits or incentives, as provided.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA		AA - No Folder		

**[SB 1373](#) (Cortese D) Water data dashboard. ( Amended: 4/11/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#) )**

**Status:** 5/6/2024-May 6 hearing: Placed on APPR suspense file.

**Location:** 5/6/2024-S. APPR. SUSPENSE FILE

**Summary:** Existing law imposes on the Department of Water Resources various duties with respect to water in the state. Existing law, the Open and Transparent Water Data Act, requires the department, in consultation with the California Water Quality Monitoring Council, the State Water Resources Control Board, and the Department of Fish and Wildlife, to create, operate, and maintain a statewide integrated water data platform that, among other things, integrates existing water and ecological data information from multiple databases and provides data on completed water transfers and exchanges. This bill would require the department, while seeking input from the California Water Data Consortium, as defined, to create a water data dashboard that is accessible through its internet website, as specified. The bill would include related findings and declarations.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

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**SB 1390** ([Caballero D](#)) **Groundwater recharge: floodflows: diversion.** ( Amended: 4/24/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#) )

**Status:** 5/3/2024-Set for hearing May 13.

**Location:** 4/23/2024-S. APPR.

**Calendar:** 5/13/2024 10 a.m. - 1021 O Street, Room 2200  
SENATE APPROPRIATIONS, CABALLERO, ANNA, Chair

**Summary:** Existing law declares that all water within the state is the property of the people of the state, but the right to the use of the water may be acquired by appropriation in the manner provided by law. Existing law requires the appropriation to be for some useful or beneficial purpose. Existing law provides, however, that the diversion of floodflows for groundwater recharge does not require an appropriative water right if certain conditions are met, including that a local or regional agency that has adopted a local plan of flood control or has considered flood risks as part of its most recently adopted general plan has given notice, as provided, of imminent risk of flooding and inundation of lands, roads, or structures. Existing law also requires the person or entity making the diversion for groundwater recharge purposes to file with the State Water Resources Control Board a final report 15 days after the diversions cease. These requirements apply to diversions commenced before January 1, 2029. This bill would extend the operation of these requirements to diversions commenced before June 1, 2032. The bill would revise, recast, and expand the conditions that are required to be met for the diversion of floodwaters for groundwater recharge that do not require an appropriative water right. The bill would require that a local or regional agency take specified actions, including making a declaration that diversion of floodflows for groundwater recharge from a delineated stretch of waterway within its jurisdiction is in accordance with one of certain enumerated plans relating to flood control or flood risk, as specified, or a county emergency operations plan. The bill would require diversions to cease no later than 90 days after commencing, unless they are renewed, and would authorize a local or regional agency to renew a diversion for an additional 30 days by notifying the board of its intention to continue diverting 15 days before its expiration. The bill would also require the final report to be made by an entity and contain information, if applicable, describing the forecasting models used to determine a likely imminent escape of surface water and a description of the methodology used to determine the abatement of flood conditions. The bill would require that temporary floodflow diversions be consistent with the most junior priority relative to all water rights holders in the watershed and prohibit those diversions from injuring a prior water rights

holder.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA		AA - No Folder		

**[SB 1402](#) (Min D) 30x30 goal: state agencies: adoption, revision, or establishment of plans, policies, and regulations.** ( Amended: 4/10/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#) )

**Status:** 5/6/2024-May 6 hearing: Placed on APPR suspense file.

**Location:** 5/6/2024-S. APPR. SUSPENSE FILE

**Summary:** By Executive Order No. N-82-20, Governor Gavin Newsom directed the Natural Resources Agency to combat the biodiversity and climate crises by, among other things, establishing the California Biodiversity Collaborative and conserving at least 30% of the state's lands and coastal waters by 2030. Existing law requires the Secretary of the Natural Resources Agency to prepare and submit, on or before March 31, 2024, and annually thereafter, a report to the Legislature on the progress made in the prior calendar year toward achieving the goal to conserve 30% of California's lands and coastal waters by 2030. Existing law provides that it is the goal of the state to conserve at least 30% of California's lands and coastal waters by 2030, known as the 30x30 goal. This bill would require all state agencies, departments, boards, offices, commissions, and conservancies to consider the 30x30 goal when adopting, revising, or establishing plans, policies, and regulations that directly affect land use, management of natural resources, water use and quality, or biodiversity conservation.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA		AA - No Folder		

**[SB 1440](#) (Laird D) Water quality: stormwater: reporting.** ( Amended: 3/20/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#) )

**Status:** 5/3/2024-Set for hearing May 13.

**Location:** 4/24/2024-S. APPR.

**Calendar:** 5/13/2024 10 a.m. - 1021 O Street, Room 2200  
SENATE APPROPRIATIONS, CABALLERO, ANNA, Chair

**Summary:** Under existing law, the State Water Resources Control Board and the California regional water quality control boards prescribe waste discharge requirements for the discharge of stormwater in accordance with the national pollutant discharge elimination system permit program and the Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act. Existing law requires the regional boards to undertake reasonable efforts to identify dischargers of stormwater that have not obtained an appropriate permit. Existing law requires the state board, on or before December 31, to annually prepare a report that includes, among other things, a list of persons notified of their duty to comply with applicable stormwater permits and a description of the responses received to those notifications. This bill would require the annual report to additionally include a description of reasonable efforts undertaken by regional boards to identify dischargers of stormwater that have not obtained coverage under an appropriate stormwater permit. The bill would require the state board to submit the report to the Legislature on or before December 31 of each year until December 31, 2029, and would authorize the report to include a strategy or recommendation on actions to increase discharger coverage, as specified.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

**[SB 1441](#) (Allen D) Examination of petitions: time limitations and reimbursement of costs. (**

Amended: 4/4/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#).)

**Status:** 5/3/2024-Set for hearing May 13.

**Location:** 4/16/2024-S. APPR.

**Calendar:** 5/13/2024 10 a.m. - 1021 O Street, Room 2200  
SENATE APPROPRIATIONS, CABALLERO, ANNA, Chair

**Summary:** Existing law, the California Public Records Act, requires state and local agencies to make their records available for public inspection, except as provided. Existing law generally includes in the meaning of “public records” any writing containing information relating to the conduct of the public’s business prepared, owned, used, or retained by any state or local agency regardless of physical form or characteristics. Under existing law, certain election petitions are not public records and are not open to inspection except by certain persons. Specifically, existing law authorizes, among other persons, the proponents of a petition found to be insufficient or their designated representative to examine the petition no later than 21 days after certification of the insufficiency. This bill would require the examination to conclude no later than 60 days after it commenced. The bill would also require the proponent to reimburse all costs incurred by the county elections official due to the examination within 30 days after the examination concludes. The bill would, before an examination is conducted and at the beginning of each day following, require the proponent of a petition who requests to examine a petition and a memorandum to deposit with the elections official a sum required by the elections official to cover the cost of the examination for that day. The bill would authorize the return of any money deposited in excess of the cost of the examination and provide that money not required to be refunded be deposited in the appropriate public treasury. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

**[SB 1467](#) (Rubio D) California Water District Law. ( Introduced: 2/16/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#).)**

**Status:** 2/29/2024-Referred to Com. on RLS.

**Location:** 2/16/2024-S. RLS.

**Summary:** The California Water District Law (CWDL) provides for the establishment of water districts, and grants a district the power to acquire, plan, construct, maintain, improve, operate, and keep in repair the necessary works for the production, storage, transmission, and distribution of water for irrigation, domestic, industrial, and municipal purposes. This bill would make a nonsubstantive change to the latter authorization. This bill contains other existing laws.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

**[SB 1474](#) (Allen D) Public utilities: intervenor compensation. ( Amended: 4/30/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#).)**

**Status:** 5/3/2024-Set for hearing May 13.

**Location:** 4/22/2024-S. APPR.

**Calendar:** 5/13/2024 10 a.m. - 1021 O Street, Room 2200  
SENATE APPROPRIATIONS, CABALLERO, ANNA, Chair

**Summary:** Existing law vests the Public Utilities Commission with regulatory authority over public utilities. Existing law provides compensation for reasonable advocate's fees, reasonable expert witness fees, and other reasonable costs to public utility customers for preparation for and participation in a hearing or proceeding of the commission. Existing law requires the commission to award a customer compensation if certain requirements are satisfied, including that the customer's presentation makes a substantial contribution to the adoption of the commission's order or decision. Existing law requires a customer who intends to seek compensation to file and serve on all parties to the proceeding, within 30 days after the prehearing conference is held, a notice of intent to claim compensation. This bill would instead require a customer who intends to seek compensation to file and serve on all parties to the proceeding a notice of intent to claim compensation within 30 days after the prehearing conference is held or within 30 days of becoming a party to the proceeding, whichever is later.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

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**[SB 1480](#) (Allen D) Low-Income Oversight Board: membership and duties.** ( Amended: 4/9/2024 [html pdf](#).)

**Status:** 4/22/2024-April 22 hearing: Placed on APPR suspense file.

**Location:** 4/22/2024-S. APPR. SUSPENSE FILE

**Summary:** Existing law establishes the Low-Income Oversight Board to advise the Public Utilities Commission on low-income electricity, gas, and water customer issues and to serve as a liaison for the commission to low-income ratepayers and representatives. Existing law requires the board to carry out certain duties to advise the commission, including monitoring and evaluating implementation of all programs provided to low-income electricity, gas, and water customers. Existing law requires the commission, in conjunction with the board, among other things, to ensure that the energy burden of low-income electricity and gas customers is reduced. The board is comprised of 11 members, including 5 members selected by the commission who have expertise in the low-income community and who are not affiliated with any state agency or utility group, one member selected by the Governor, and one member selected by the Department of Community Services and Development. This bill would expand the membership of the board to 12 members by adding one member selected by the commission who is a representative of a low-income telecommunications provider. The bill would expand the duties of the board to include monitoring and evaluating implementation of all programs provided to low-income telecommunications customers. The bill would require the commission, in conjunction with the board, to ensure that the financial burden, rather than the energy burden, of low-income electricity, gas, water, and telecommunications customers is reduced. The bill would also require the commission, on or before January 1, 2026, to adopt a process by which a consumer enrolled in a commission-administered low-income utility program receives a notification at enrollment providing information about other utility assistance programs for which the consumer may be presumptively eligible, and information about how to apply for those programs. The bill would require the commission to work with the Low Income Oversight Board to develop an outreach strategy to improve enrollment of eligible households across low-

income utility assistance programs. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water	DKA				
Agency	AA				

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**[SB 1520](#) (Committee on Natural Resources and Water) Public resources.** ( Introduced: 3/6/2024 [html](#) [pdf](#) )

**Status:** 5/6/2024-Referred to Com. on NAT. RES.

**Location:** 5/6/2024-A. NAT. RES.

**Summary:** Existing law prohibits the taking or possession of a fully protected fish, except as provided, and designates the Colorado River squawfish as a fully protected fish. This bill would update the name of the Colorado River squawfish to the Colorado pikeminnow. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water	DKA				
Agency	AA				

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## COMMITTEE MEMORANDUM

**DATE:** May 16, 2024

**TO:** Public Outreach and Legislation Committee

**FROM:** Steve Cole *SC*  
Assistant General Manager

**SUBJECT:** Discussion of Legislative Advocacy Contract Renewals

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### SUMMARY

Strategy A.3 in SCV Water's 2024-28 Strategic Plan states the Agency will "engage with local, regional, state and federal governments, industry associations and organizations to influence water policy for the benefit of our service area customers." To accomplish this, the Water Resources department has entered into professional services agreements with legislative advocates at the state and federal levels. These agreements are overseen by the Assistant General Manager and the Communications Manager. The agreements with the current consultants expire June 30, 2024, and staff is seeking direction on extensions.

### DISCUSSION

Each year, the Public Outreach and Legislation Committee (Committee) recommends a Legislative Platform that is reviewed and approved by the full Board of Directors (Board). Since forming in 2018, the Agency has engaged advocacy consultants at the local, state and federal levels to advance policy goals and assist in grant funding opportunities. For the past several years, California Advocates and Van Scoyoc Associates Inc. (VSA) have served the agency well as State and Federal advocates. In recent months, the Committee adopted the 2024 Legislative Platform and legislative advocacy goals.

As part of their efforts on behalf of the Agency, VSA and California Advocates engage with legislators, federal and state agencies based on each firm's scope of work. Responsibilities include tracking and reporting on bills, ballot measures and other items with potential impact to the Agency, testifying and/or submitting comments favoring or opposing such items. Another key responsibility is the role advocacy plays in facilitating our very successful grant program.

Based on demonstrated performance over the current agreement period, the status of ongoing projects involving California Advocates and VSA, and knowledge of SCV Water's Legislative Platform and established priorities, staff recommends that the Committee support the Board extending agreements with VSA and California Advocates for a term of *two years* (July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2026). Both agreements are subject to a 30-day cancellation clause.

### STRATEGIC PLAN NEXUS

Professional services agreements with legislative consultants helps support Strategy A.3 of SCV Water's 2024-28 Strategic Plan, which is to "Engage with local, regional, state and federal governments, industry associations and organizations to influence water policy for the benefit of our service area customers."

## **FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS**

Van Scoyoc Associates Inc. has submitted a proposal for federal legislative advocate services at a retainer of \$9,250 monthly, with the addition of reasonable costs for directly related business expenses capped at \$5,000 annually. The total proposal for two years is for \$222,000 (\$111,000 each year), or \$232,000 with capped business expenses (\$116,000 each year).

California Advocates has submitted a proposal for state legislative advocate services at a retainer of \$10,200 monthly, with an added quarterly reimbursement of \$130 for Fair Political Practices Commission (FPPC) filing fees. Additionally, SCV Water would reimburse California Advocates no more than \$150 per month (\$1,800 per year) for directly related expenses incurred on the Agency's behalf. The total proposal for two years is for \$245,840 for the retainer plus filing fees (\$122,920 each year), or \$249,440 with added reimbursed expenses (\$124,720 each year).

The total advocacy budget for Fiscal Year 2024/25 is \$315,000, and both proposals fit into the budgeted amount.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

That the Public Outreach and Legislation Committee recommends the Board of Directors approve a two-year Federal Legislative Advocacy contract with Van Scoyoc Associates, Inc. and a two-year State Legislative Advocacy contract with California Advocates effective July 1, 2024.

Attachments



*PROPOSAL TO PROVIDE FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE ADVOCATE SERVICES FOR THE:*  
***Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency***

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*Submitted by:*

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*April 15, 2024*

*Cover Letter*

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April 15, 2024

Kevin Strauss  
Communications Manager  
Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency  
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Santa Clarita, California 91350

Dear Kevin:

Van Scoyoc Associates (VSA) has been honored to represent the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency (SCV Water) for close to five years. We appreciate the opportunity to provide you a proposal to renew our contract for federal advocacy services. We have extensive experience working on behalf of water districts, advocating for federal funding, enacting legislation, and modifying regulations and agency policies to address local and regional concerns.

VSA is uniquely qualified to continue representing SCV Water. Your team has experience influencing legislation, regulations, guidance, and permitting in ways that can expedite projects and programs. This knowledge has been gained through our backgrounds as former Capitol Hill staff, as well as our decades of experience representing local government entities on issues dealing with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, the Bureau of Reclamation, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), and the United States Department of Agriculture.

Our VSA team is ideally suited to meet your needs, and Vice Presidents Geoff Bowman and Pete Evich hope to continue in their roles with SCV Water.

Mr. Bowman most recently served as the Staff Director for the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee's Water Resources and Environment Subcommittee, where he shepherded passage of the Water Infrastructure Improvements for the Nation (WIIN) Act of 2016. He has more than 25 years of experience in public policy as it pertains to the nation's water resources development infrastructure.

Mr. Evich has been helping water agencies and local government entities achieve their federal priorities before Congress and Executive Branch agencies for almost 20 years as a principal at Van Scoyoc Associates. Mr. Evich, a former Legislative Director for a California House Member who served on the Energy and Water Appropriations Subcommittee and Chaired the House Natural Resources Subcommittee on Water and Power.

Thank you for your consideration in renewing our contract, we have truly enjoyed this engagement, and would be honored to continue to work on behalf of the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency to help accomplish your goals.

Sincerely,



Geoff Bowman, Vice President

## Scope of Work

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VSA will continue to be SCV Water’s “eyes and ears” and “arms and legs” in Washington, D.C., providing timely information on all legislative and budgetary issues of concern. We will provide up-to-the-minute information and analysis to SCV Water officials and staff. We will identify and define short and long-term funding trends well before they become apparent and identify the intersection of SCV Water’s priorities and federal opportunities. We will work with SCV Water’s Congressional delegation and their staff, key authorizing committees, and officials at the federal departments and agencies to emphasize your budget and policy priorities, and in that context, help shape your legislative strategy.

VSA will maintain day-to-day contact with Senators Alex Padilla and Laphonza Butler, as well as Representative Mike Garcia and other Congressional leaders and senior staff. We will provide liaison services as needed to the Congressional Committees to implement SCV Water’s legislative strategy. We will also reach out to other Congressional offices in California on issues of regional or national significance. VSA will keep your Congressional delegation abreast of the SCV Water’s funding and legislative priorities. In addition, VSA will help raise SCV Water’s profile among the Congressional Committees and federal agencies, making SCV Water more competitive for grant funding and ensuring that legislation addresses your needs.

VSA will monitor all legislation and federal agency actions important to SCV Water. Based on your priorities, VSA will track the progress of legislation and advocate your position on pending bills, seeking to introduce, support, revise, or halt provisions that affect SCV Water. VSA will also monitor regulations and policy developed in the federal agencies. We will confer with agency officials to ensure that SCV Water’s concerns are addressed. We have influenced federal actions in such diverse matters as navigation improvements, floodplain management, stormwater, and the environment. VSA will coordinate actions with many national associations such as the National Water Resources Association, the National Association of Clean Water Agencies, the Association of Metropolitan Water Agencies, the National Association of Flood and Stormwater Management Agencies, the National Waterways Conference, the Association of California Water Agencies, the California Association of Sanitation Agencies, and the WaterReuse Association to ensure SCV Water priorities are also their priorities.

VSA has extensive experience representing municipal water districts in Washington, D.C., and we are uniquely qualified to ensure effective advocacy for SCV Water’s most critical federal legislative issues. VSA will help SCV Water define specific goals and objectives, develop strategies to achieve those objectives, and undertake the work necessary to secure funding and authorization for SCV Water’s projects and programs.

For instance, each year VSA advocates for increased funding levels for programs of importance to our clients. We work with agencies, as well as the Office of Management and Budget to ensure project-specific items are included in the President’s budget. As the Congressional Appropriations process follows, VSA engages Members of Congress and the Committees of jurisdiction to advocate project-specific funding in the annual appropriations bills, including projects important to SCV Water like Arundo removal and restoration of Bouquet Canyon.

VSA will leverage our experience with the federal agencies and program contacts to track and anticipate upcoming grant opportunities and eligible program funding based on budget execution plans and

federal appropriations. We will identify short-term and long-term funding trends and opportunities, often before they become officially announced. We will work with SCV Water to seek agency advice and understand agency priorities prior to the submission of your grant applications. We will list strategies, review criteria, milestones, schedules, responsible assignees for input, and recurring coordination to measure progress. As part of the specific coordination steps, VSA will include meeting with the agency grant representatives during the preannouncement time window to screen proposal ideas, eligibility, and other criteria. Additionally, we will let the federal agencies know that SCV Water plans to submit a grant application. This approach has led to successful grant awards for our clients.

VSA will reach out to your Congressional delegation to engage them at the appropriate time in support of your authorizations, project funding, and grant requests. In addition, we will identify and seek out the key Committee Members and their staffs to educate. VSA will schedule meetings so that SCV Water is delivering the right message to the right person at the right time. VSA will work with SCV Water to produce materials to leave behind at meetings that succinctly describe the request. Also, VSA will draft letters to decision-makers as well as draft letters for elected officials expressing support for the SCV Water agenda. VSA will draft legislative language and amendments as needed to achieve SCV Water's goals.

VSA's professionals also have extensive experience working with Executive Branch departments and agencies, having either carried out oversight actions while on Capitol Hill, helped write the laws that impact these departments and agencies, or worked with them to help clients resolve policy or regulatory issues. We know how to help SCV Water navigate the policy, budgetary, and legislative processes to secure funding, grants, and address changes in regulations. We have worked issues from the lowest levels of an agency through the Office of Management and Budget and the White House. The VSA team for SCV Water brings an insider's understanding of how, when, and where decisions are made on budget proposals, legislative initiatives, new regulations, and grant awards that affect municipal water districts. We meet regularly with both senior political appointees and career officials at the Bureau of Reclamation, the Army Corps of Engineers, the Environmental Protection Agency, the Department of Agriculture, the Federal Emergency Management Agency, and the Department of Defense. VSA will use these connections, coupled with our experience, to ensure that federal agencies understand your needs and how federal programs either help or adversely impact your customers.

Communication is critical to the success of any relationship. Through the course of our work experience, we have found that it is not uncommon to spend as much time communicating with the client as we spend advocating your agenda to federal officials. VSA prides itself on ensuring the client has the most up-to-date information available and that opportunities and progress toward achieving goals are well-understood. VSA will establish open lines of communication with SCV Water officials and staff through both regularly scheduled and time-sensitive phone calls and emails.

VSA will continue to work with SCV Water to draft and implement its strategic federal advocacy plan. Additionally, VSA is committed to preparing and submitting regular reports on activities and meetings, as well as time-sensitive reports on federal activities that affect each part of this process. These reports may include summaries of Congressional hearings, committee meetings, floor debates, regulatory actions, budgetary proposals, and third-party analysis of issues of concern. VSA will also draft legislation as needed, analyze relevant federal proposals, and prepare briefings and updates for dissemination to SCV Water officials and staff.

When circumstances permit travel to Washington and in-person meetings, VSA will handle many aspects of coordinating SCV Water's Washington, DC lobby trips. Prior to your arrival in Washington, VSA will prepare a list of potential meetings for SCV Water officials and staff to attend. Once the SCV Water has reviewed and approved the potential meeting list, VSA will schedule all meetings on Capitol Hill and with the federal agencies. Upon arrival in Washington, VSA will brief SCV Water officials and staff prior to our meetings to ensure that the proper message and tone is conveyed in each meeting. We will attend all meetings and complete all follow-up items resulting from the meetings. Until that time, VSA has excelled at working remotely both with clients and with Congressional and Agency staff via telephone and videoconference.

The VSA team has close working relationships with House and Senate leaders of both parties and will use them to ensure that SCV Water's interests are advocated at the highest levels of Congress. On the Senate side, VSA has close relationships with Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell, Majority Whip John Thune, and Democratic Leader Senator Chuck Schumer. On the House side, we have close working relationships with senior staff in the Offices of Speaker Mike Johnson, Majority Leader Steve Scalise, Minority Leader Hakeem Jeffries, and Minority Whip Katherine Clark. In addition, your VSA team's experience working for Congressional committees and advocating for existing clients before both House and Senate has allowed us to maintain working and personal relationships with key committee Members and their staffs. The upcoming election, retirements, and reassignments will bring fresh faces to leadership positions. VSA can quickly identify the new targets that need to be approached and educated.

Similarly, we have collaborated with the Army Corps of Engineers, the Bureau of Reclamation, the Environmental Protection Agency, and the Office of Management and Budget for decades. At those, and other Executive Branch agencies, we maintain relationships with the political appointees, high-level leaders, and senior executives.

### ***Description of Your VSA Team***

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***Geoff Bowman*** is one of the nation's leaders on water resources and infrastructure policy. Having spent 15 years as a Professional Staff Member and later Staff Director on the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, Geoff offers clients an insider's perspective on the policy, players, and politics involved in these issues.

Before joining VSA in the middle of 2017, Geoff was the Staff Director of the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee's Water Resources and Environment Subcommittee, where he shepherded passage of the Water Infrastructure Improvements for the Nation (WIIN) Act of 2016. Prior to that, he was instrumental in the passage of WRDA 2007, WRRDA 2014, and other critical water quality laws. Geoff has also worked closely with the many federal agencies under the Committee's jurisdiction, including the Army Corps of Engineers and the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

Geoff's more than two decades of water and infrastructure policy experience make him a valuable resource to states, communities, and other organizations looking to partner with the federal government. He can guide clients through both the legislative process and the bureaucracy at the Corps, EPA, and other relevant federal agencies.

**Pete Evich** has been providing advice on a wide range of issues to Members of Congress and to clients for over two decades. Drawing on his experience as a top aide for a Member of the California Congressional Delegation and Appropriations Committee, Pete guides his clients through the often complex legislative and administrative processes in the areas of appropriations, health care, transportation, and natural resources.

Clients particularly value Pete's wealth of relationships with Members and staff on key Committees and throughout the federal agencies. As a Vice President at VSA, he is well-regarded for his experience and knowledge in developing and implementing advocacy plans tailored to achieve the specific goals of each client. He has an impressive record helping clients achieve their federal objectives, including securing legislative language, stopping, or amending adverse Congressional proposals or agency regulatory policies, and securing federal funding.

**Ashley Strobel** joined VSA as a Manager of Government Relations in the fall of 2020. Ashley brings three years of federal advocacy experience in water resources, energy, natural resources, and integrative health issues. In her role at VSA, Ashley provides strategic and technical assistance for a variety of clients including municipalities, ports, water districts, and infrastructure associations. Ashley works closely with VSA's water clients, and in her role manages and directs much of the annual appropriations process for these entities.

She monitors a host of legislative and regulatory actions, providing clients with guidance on potential federal actions and next steps. Prior to joining VSA, Ashley spent three years at the lobbying firm Williams & Jensen where she was responsible for helping manage clients' federal advocacy needs on an array of policy issues including, energy, health care, natural resources, tax, and pensions.

## ***Record of Success***

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VSA prides itself on demonstrated success in securing funds for projects and programs which are the priorities of our clients. The following are recent highlights of successes we helped SCV Water achieve at the federal level over the years of our working partnership:

### Title XVI Water Recycling Feasibility Study

- VSA assisted SCV Water in drafting and submitting an application for the Agency's Title XVI Recycling Facility Feasibility Study (Feasibility Report) to submit to the Bureau of Reclamation. SCV Water secured approval of the Feasibility Report which granted eligibility to apply for Title XVI grant funding.



#### Automated Metering Infrastructure Project (Phase 1)

- VSA assisted SCV Water in successfully securing a Bureau of Reclamation FY2022 WaterSMART Water and Energy Efficiency Grant for the Automated Metering Infrastructure Project (Phase 1).

#### Arundo Removal and Bouquet Canyon Creek FY2023 Community Project Funding

- VSA worked with Representative Garcia and Senators Feinstein and Padilla to advocate for inclusion of funding for the Bouquet Canyon Creek Recovery Project and the Santa Clara River Watershed Arundo Management Project in their Community Project Funding and Congressionally Directed Spending requests to the House and Senate Appropriations Subcommittees. Funds were included in the final FY2023 Appropriations bills for both of these and VSA continues to work with the United States Department of Agriculture and the US Army Corps of Engineers respectively on executing those investments.

#### S-Wells PFAS Treatment and Disinfection Facilities (Phase I) FY2024 Community Project Funding

- VSA worked with Representative Garcia and Senators Padilla, Butler, and the late Senator Feinstein to secure funding for the S-Wells PFAS Treatment and Disinfection Facilities Project in their Community Project Funding and Congressionally Directed Spending requests to the House and Senate Appropriations Subcommittees. In their FY2024 requests to the respective Appropriations Subcommittees, Representative Garcia, and Senator Padilla both included \$3 million for the project. Ultimately, \$2.1 million for the project was included in the final FY2024 Interior, EPA, and Related Agencies appropriations bill that President Biden recently signed into law.

#### ***Rate Schedule***

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Van Scoyoc Associates structures its relationships with clients in a way that ensures complete and open communication. We typically charge a flat fee for services on a monthly retainer basis. We believe this payment structure allows for open and unhindered communication with our clients. We base our retainer rates on the number of principals and staff devoted to a client and the expected scope of work.

While negotiable, based on our analysis of the scope of work for SCV Water, VSA proposes to continue our Professional Government Relations Advocacy Services for a monthly retainer of \$9,250.00 starting on July 1, 2024 until June 30, 2026, with the addition of reasonable costs for directly related business expenses, which VSA would offer to cap at \$5,000.00 annually. Long-distance, pre-approved travel, if required, would be in addition to these amounts. Per previous discussions, we would be happy to include 30-day cancellation clause should we agree to a contract renewal. All legislative advocacy services/activities outlined in the proposal would be included in the monthly retainer rate.

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**Via Email**

**Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency**

Agreement for California State Government Affairs Representation  
California Advocates (Contractor) will perform state government affairs services for Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency (SCVWA) under the following terms:

**1. SCOPE OF WORK**

**1.1. Contractor shall provide all services set forth below:**

- Participate as a legislative advocate in state legislation and budget matters affecting SCVWA;
- Monitor legislation affecting SCVWA and report to staff, the Water Resources and Outreach Committee and ad hoc committees dealing with legislative matters;
- Participate in water industry coalition efforts;
- Inform designated SCVWA representative periodically on the status of all state legislation affecting SCVWA as requested;
- Perform water industry-related activities such as attend meetings of the ACWA State and Regulatory Affairs Committee;
- Participate in State Water Contractors meetings;
- Attend ACWA lobbyist meetings during legislative session; and
- Prepare and submit quarterly written reports to SCVWA.
- Track legislation impacting SCVWA specifically, as well as general legislation that could impact water agencies and state water contractors.
- Work on the budget to identify opportunities for funding and threats to SCVWA and/or the state water contractors.

**1.2. Independent Contractor; Agency -** The Consultant is acting hereunder as an independent contractor and not as an agent or employee of SCVWA. The Consultant is thus not eligible to receive workers' compensation, medical, indemnity or retirement benefits, including but not limited to enrollment in CalPERS. Except as expressly provided herein, the Consultant is not eligible to receive overtime, vacation or sick pay. The Consultant shall not represent or otherwise hold out itself or any of its directors, officers, partners, employees, or agents to be an agent or employee of SCVWA.

**1.3. Extra Services -** Before performing any services outside the scope of this Agreement ("Extra Services"), Consultant shall submit a written request for approval of such Extra Services and receive written approval from SCVWA. SCVWA shall have no responsibility

to compensate Consultant for any Extra Services provided by Consultant without such prior written approval.

- 1.4. Methods - Consultant shall have the sole and absolute discretion in determining the methods, details and means of performing the Services required by SCVWA. SCVWA shall not have any right to direct the methods, details and means of the Services; however, Consultant must receive prior written approval from SCVWA before assigning or changing any assignment of Consultant's project manager or key personnel and before using any sub-consultants ("Sub-consultants") or Sub-consultant agreements for services or materials under this Agreement and any work authorizations.
- 1.5. Review - Consultant shall furnish SCVWA with reasonable opportunities from time to time to ascertain whether the Services of Consultant are being performed in accordance with this Agreement. All work done and materials furnished shall be subject to final review and approval by SCVWA. SCVWA's review and approval of the Services shall not, however, relieve Consultant of any of its obligations under this Agreement.

## 2. COMPENSATION

- 2.1. Amount - As consideration for the Services described above, SCVWA will pay the Consultant a monthly retainer fee of Ten Thousand and Two Hundred Dollars (\$10,200) representing full payment for services performed during the respective month. SCVWA agrees to reimburse California Advocates for Fair Political Practices Commission (FPPC) filings fee of one hundred and thirty dollars (\$130) per quarter. SCVWA agrees to reimburse Consultant for all customary out-of-pocket expenses incurred by Consultant on behalf of SCVWA including, but not limited to, postage and delivery, copying, telephone, fax and internet. However, in no event shall reimbursable expenses in one calendar month exceed one Hundred and fifty dollars (\$150).

SCVWA shall pay approved invoice amounts within thirty (30) days of receipt. SCVWA'S determinations regarding verification of Consultant's performance accrued reimbursable expenses and percentage of completion shall be binding and conclusive. Consultant's time records, invoices, receipts and other documentation supporting the invoices shall be available for review by SCVWA upon reasonable notice and shall be retained by Consultant for three (3) years after completion of the Project.

## 3. DURATION

- 3.1 The agreement shall commence on July 1, 2024, terminating June 30, 2026, unless extended by written agreement.

## PRIORITY ACTIVITIES

Below are a few bullets of activities we are currently actively engaging in and that we will likely be engaged in the coming year including the end of this session and positioning for next.

- Advocate to maintain funding for “Chemical of Emerging Concerns.” CalAd is leading a coalition including Orange County Water Agency, San Gabriel Valley MWD, Lake Elsinore Water District and Santa Clarita. The Governor is adjusting funding due to the difficult budget and we have attended several meetings and advocated for maintaining funding.
- Coordinating with State Water Contractors on key legislation and funding. We advocate by contacting the delegation representing the district, committee consultants and work additional legislative contacts. This includes the “Healthy Rivers and Landscapes” proposal to provide additional habitat improvements, environmental investments and improved conveyance.
- Dennis Albani serves on the ACWA State Legislative Committee on behalf of SCVWA which includes a 2-3 hour meeting every third Friday, meetings for region 8 ACWA state leg meeting attendees, and coordinating with SCVWA staff on positions when appropriate. Preparation for the State Legislative Committee includes an additional hours reviewing packets, speaking with other region 8 members, and coordinating positions. This is in addition to attending the weekly ACWA lobbyist meeting and subsequent coordination with ACWA on a host of legislative and funding bills. 4
- Work with ACWA coalition on bond funding for a variety of priorities including invasive plants, impacted water clean up, and funding for Healthy Rivers and Landscapes” projects.
- Opposing legislation that will impact the State Water Contractors “water rights” and water reliability. We continue to coordinate with State Water Contractors and a coalition of water agencies to ensure these measures are thoughtful and minimize unintended consequences.

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## COMMITTEE MEMORANDUM

**DATE:** May 16, 2024

**TO:** Public Outreach and Legislation Committee

**FROM:** Kevin Strauss  
Communications Manager KS

**SUBJECT:** Communications Manager's Report

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### 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:

- CAPIO Awards Recap
- Digital Advertising Metrics Update
- Events Update – Statistics from Previous Events

### 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. June 2024</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 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	52%	\$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 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	\$ -	60%	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	2%	Included in annual On-Call Grant Consulting Agreement (FY2022 \$69,725 Final)
WaterSmart BOR Water Energy Efficiency Grant FY2023 <i>Grant Agreement Date: 2/13/2024</i>	1/29/2024	3/30/2026	1	Water Efficiency Program	\$ 7,242,900	\$ 2,000,000.00	\$ 5,242,900		35%	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	2%	\$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</i> <i>Grant Agreement: 4/30/2024</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
BOR WaterSmart Applied Science Grant <i>Application Submitted: 10/17/2023</i> <i>Preliminary Award Notification: 4/17/2024</i> <i>Grant Agreement Est: 9/2024</i>	9/1/2024	Est 9/2026	1	Groundwater Model Refinement and Calibration Project	\$ 726,748	\$ 363,374	\$ 363,374	\$ -	0%	Included in FY2024 On Call Grant Consulting Agreement (FY2024 \$85K)
CA Budget Act of 2022 Earmark (AB102) <i>Award: June 2023</i> <i>Agreement in negotiation</i>	TBD	TBD	1	Arundo Removal and Management	\$ 1,000,000	\$ 1,000,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	0%	\$0 Staff submitted
FY 2024 Community Program Grant (Congressional Directed Spending - Earmark) <i>Legislation Passed: 3/8/2024</i> <i>Agreement: not yet started</i>	TBD	TBD		S Wells PFAS Treatment and Disinfection Facilities	\$ 16,412,000	\$ 2,100,000			0%	Application submitted through Federal Legislative Advocate

\*\*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
BOR WaterSmart Drought Response Grant <i>Application Submitted: ~11/1/2023</i>	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 (\$85K)
BOR FY2024 WaterSmart Water and Energy Efficiency <i>Application Submitted: 2/21/2024</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 (\$85K)
SWRCB Water Recycling Funding Program <i>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</i> <i>Submitted: ~Application in process</i>	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 <i>100% Grant Funding for installation of distribution system for 70 existing homes within SCV Water Service Area</i> <i>Application: In process. Est Spring 2024</i>	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 <i>Incentive Grant Funding re LARC Ranch DAC Project</i> <i>Application Submittal: FEB 2023</i>	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 <i>Bipartisan Infrastructure Law - EPA Emerging Contaminants Funding</i> <i>SCV Water's PFAS Projects are listed in SWRCB FY2022-23 Fundable List; may reduce/offset DWSRF Loan amount</i> <i>Application Submitted: FEB 2023</i>	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 <b>Loan</b> <i>Includes \$10M 0% Interest Incentive Loan re LARC Ranch DAC Project, with balance at standard SRF Rates;</i> <i>Application Submitted: FEB2023</i>	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  
Cell groupings bordered " - \_ - " indicate a programmatic funding strategy

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/ <i>Loan Funding</i>	Required Funding Match (Non-State/Federal Share)	Other Non-State / Federal Share (Funding Match)	
CA Drinking Water State Revolving Fund <i>Loan</i> <i>Includes ~\$960K 0% Interest Incentive Loan re LARC Ranch DAC Project, with balance at standard SRF Rates; Est. Application Submittal: Fall/Winter 2024</i>	TBD	TBD	1	PFAS Remediateion Projects S Wells (Phase 2 Project)	TBD	TBD	\$ -	\$ -	\$0 State Initially Assigned Grant Consultant due to LARC Ranch DAC Proj; Staff currently addressing application

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		
American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 through CA DDW - CA Water and Wastewater Arrearage Payment Program (extended period) Submitted: 12/28/2023 <i>FUNDS RECEIVED: 3/25/2024</i>	6/16/2021	1/31/2022	1	Arrearage Payment Program (customer bills arrearage payment forgiveness) extended period	\$ 251,519	\$ 251,519	\$ -	\$ -	100%	\$0 Staff submitted
DWR Prop 1 Sustainable Groundwater Planning (includes Prop 1 SGWP & Prop 68 SGP grants) <i>Prop 1 Grant Agreement Date: 12/5/2018</i> <i>Prop 68 Amendment Date: 5/14/2020</i> <i>(Complete - DWR official notification of closed grant received on 2/29/2024)</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	\$ -	100%	Prop 1 - \$24,778 Prop 68 - \$29,822
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-IPIA	3/1/2022	6/30/2022	1	Emergency Preparedness (Communications Equipment)		\$ 10,000	\$ -	\$ -	100%	\$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 Closeout: 4/24/2023	3/12/2021	3/31/2022	1	Generator Replacement at Earl Schmidt Filtration Plant	\$ 249,854	\$ 249,854	\$ -	\$ -	100%	\$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
BOR WaterSmart Drought Response Program Grant Agreement: 8/11/2022 Grant cancelled: March 2024	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)

UNSUCCESSFUL APPLICATIONS									
Grant	Start Date	End Date	# of SCVWA Projects within Grant	SCV Project Name	Total Project Cost	Grant Funding	Required Funding Match (Non-State/Federal Share)	Other Non-State/ Federal Share (Funding Match)	Cost of Application
DWR 2022 Urban Community Drought Relief Grant <i>Submittal Date: 12/9/2022 Phases 1-4 awarded; DWR may fund additional rounds, but unlikely</i>	TBD	12/31/2026	2	1. Saugus 3 & 4 Well Equipping Project 2. S Wells PFAS Treatment/Disinfection	\$ 26,720,434	\$ 5,982,109	\$ 1,495,527	TBD	Included in annual On-Call Grant Consulting Agreement (FY2023 \$52,687 Final)
DWR Prop 84 IRWM Round 3 Grant <i>Submitted: 8/7/2015</i>	N/A	N/A	2	1. Grant Administration 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 <i>Submitted: 9/17/2020</i>	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 <i>Submitted: 8/5/2020</i>	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 <i>Submitted: 1/12/2022</i>	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)
<del>CA DWR 2021 Urban and Multibenefit Drought Grant</del> <del><i>to be reconsidered under Round 3</i></del> <del><i>Submitted: 1/12/2022</i></del>	N/A	N/A	1	Santa Clara/Honby PFAS Groundwater Treatment Improvement Project <i>INCLUDED AS SUBSTITUTE PROJECT IN PROP 1 ROUND 1 IRWM GRANT ABOVE</i>	<del>\$ 11,750,000</del>	<del>\$ 4,000,000</del>	<del>\$ -</del>		\$5,736
BOR WaterSmart - Title XVI WIIN Water Reclamation and Reuse Program FY2022 <i>Submitted: 3/15/2022</i>	N/A	N/A	1	Phase 2C Recycled Water Project	\$ 24,010,000	\$ 6,002,500	\$ 15,007,500	\$ 3,000,000	Included in annual On-Call Grant Consulting Agreement (FY2022 \$69,725 Final)

REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION / FUNDING APPLICATION PREPARATION			
Document / Program	Explanation	Start Date	Est. Completion
Local Hazard Mitigation Plan (LHMP)	An approved LHMP is an eligibility requirement for funding under FEMA and/or other federal grants opportunities.	FEB 2021	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 Accepted by BOR

Last Update: 5/1/24



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## SPONSORSHIP TRACKING FY JULY 2023 - JUNE 2024

Updated: May 2, 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	<a href="#">River Rally</a>	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	<a href="#">C.A.S.T. for Kids Foundation</a> <a href="#">castforkids.org</a>	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	<a href="#">Touch a Truck</a> <a href="#">scveducationfoundation.org</a>	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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**May 16, 2024 Committee Meeting**

1. Discussion of Legislative Advocacy Contract Renewals
2. Legislative Consultant Reports
3. Communications Manager's Report
4. Committee Requests for Future Agenda Items

**June 4, 2024 Board Meeting**

1. Approval of Authorizing the General Manager to Execute the Legislative Advocacy Contract Renewals

**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. Approve 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