WateReuse California
Los Angeles Chapter Meeting

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Legislation & Regulation Update

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2016 Legislative Dates

- Jan. 1: Statutes take effect
- Jan. 4: Legislature reconvenes
- Jan. 22: Last day for committees to hear and report floor bills
- Feb. 19: Last day for bills to be introduced
- June 3: Last day for bills to pass house of origin
- Aug. 31: Last day for any bill to be passed
- Sept. 30: Last day for Governor to sign or veto bills
- Nov. 30: Adjournment

See: [http://assembly.ca.gov/legislativedeadlines](http://assembly.ca.gov/legislativedeadlines)
2015 Recycled Water Legislation

- SB 88 – Budget Committee on Water -> Chaptered
- SB 163 – WWTP: Recycled Water -> Held in Committee
- AB 606 – State Property Water Use -> Chaptered
- AB 786 – CID’s use of Recycled Water-> Enrolled
- AB 888 – Waste Mgmt.: plastic micro beads -> Chaptered
- AB 1173 - Backflow: certification -> Held in Committee
- AB 1463 - Onsite Recycled Water -> Held in Committee
- AB 1531 - Env. Safety & Toxics: SWRCB-> Chaptered
Declares ocean wastewater discharge a “waste and unreasonable use”

Requires ocean dischargers to reuse ≥50% by 2026.

Prohibits ocean dischargers after 2036, except as a “backup discharge”.

Last Action: 9/03/15 Amended in Assembly -> 2 year bill

Concerns include: timeline, cost, uncertain regulatory requirements, equity among WWTP dischargers, seasonal RW demand, and public acceptance of RW.
Establish WQ standards, distribution, monitoring, & reporting requirements for onsite treated water systems (OSTW)

OSTW is defined to mean water including graywater, rainwater, and other water captured or recycled onsite, that has been sourced, treated, and used onsite in a building in a manner that is protective of public health, safety and the environment. Does not include blackwater.

Last Action: 9/4/15 – Amend and re-refer to committee

Sierra Club and BIA among supporters; no known opposition

Concerns: clear distinction between graywater or OSTW and municipal recycled water quality and distribution requirements.
Regulatory Items

- Reservoir augmentation regulations
- Direct potable reuse feasibility
- Recycled water use for animals
- Title 17 and 22 changes
- SWRCB emergency conservation regulations
- Operator certification requirements
- Drinking water permit fees
- Recycled water general permit
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- Use for all non-potable uses except GW recharge
- Limited use of permit since introduction in June 2014
- Concerns over monitoring above existing permits
- Proposed changes to address:
  - Reporting of agronomic rates for landscape irrigation
  - Reduce quarterly reporting
  - Monitoring & reporting of priority pollutants
  - 4-year testing of cross-connections
  - Required consultation for adding new users
- Expect DRAFT in March 2016
Questions?

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