INTRODUCED BILLS

• **SB332 (Hertzberg)** – Declares “discharge of treated wastewater from ocean outfalls is a waste and unreasonable use of water”. Requires 50% reduction by 2030 and 95% by 2040.

• **AB292 (Quirk)** - Eliminates “direct potable reuse” substituting “groundwater augmentation” for “indirect potable reuse for groundwater recharge”
INTRODUCED BILLS con’t

- **AB231** (Mathis) - CEQA exemption to construct or expand a recycled water pipeline for mitigation during a declared drought emergency.

- **SB166** (Wiener) – Requires SWRCB with DPH by Dec 1 2025 to adopt regulations for onsite treatment and reuse of process water in breweries and wineries [hearing March 20]
WATER RELATED CABINET POSITIONS

• Wade Crowfoot, Secretary of Natural Resources Agency
  • Department of Water Resources
  • Parks and Recreation
  • Cal Fire

• Jared Blumenfeld, Secretary of the California Environmental Protection Agency
  • State (and Regional) Water Resources Control Board(s)
  • California Air Resources Board
  • Department of Pesticide Regulation
  • Department of Toxic Substances Control

• William Lyons, Agriculture Liaison, Governor’s Officer
  • “extensive background in agriculture and water policy”
SWRCB CHANGES

• Felicia Marcus was not reappointed
  • term ended in January
• Joaquin Esquivel is the new Chair
• Laurel Firestone is the newest member
  • Community Water Center
  • Rural Poverty Water Project
  • Tulare County Water Commission
  • Governor’s Drinking Water Stakeholder Group
  • JD from Harvard