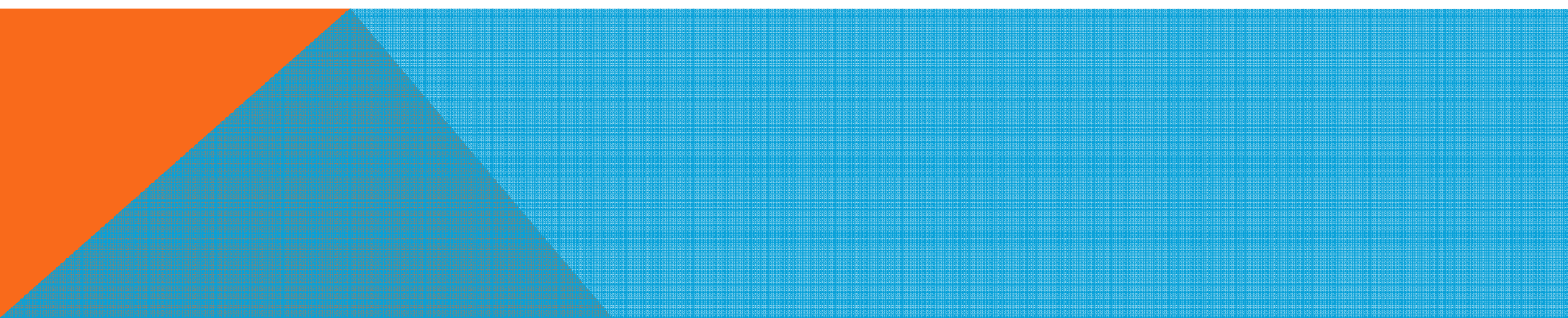




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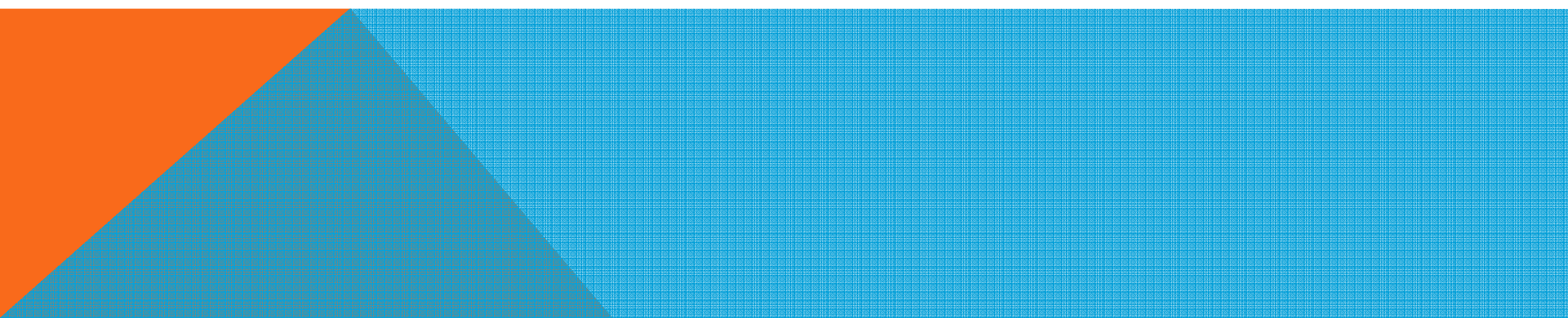
# AGENDA

- Potable reuse – Direct potable reuse and surface water augmentation
  - Bills:
    - AB 574
    - SB 5
    - Status of ocean discharge legislation
  - Recycled water policy
  - Building standards for recycled water systems
  - Next WRCA Leg/Reg Committee meeting
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# POTABLE REUSE

- DPR feasibility report:
  - SWRCB delivered final report to State Legislature in December 2016
  - Conclusion: feasible provided research and knowledge gaps are addressed prior to adoption of regulations
  - WRCA briefed Assembly and Senate budget committees about the DPR report. Lay the foundation for a possible conversation in the budget subcommittees to discuss how DDW will fund DPR research and staff the program. SWRCB budget hearings to begin next month.
- Surface water augmentation:
  - SWRCB may be releasing draft regulations early this year

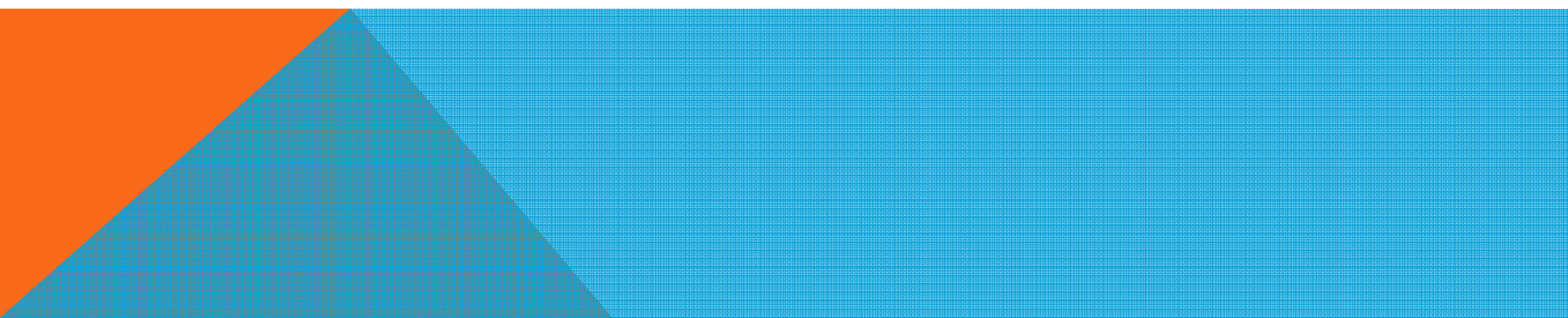
# AB 574 (QUIRK)

- Sponsored by WRCA/CA Coastkeeper
  - Update the definition of potable reuse to specify 4 types: groundwater augmentation, reservoir augmentation, raw water augmentation, and treated water augmentation
  - Require SWRCB by June 2018 to establish framework for regulating potable reuse projects that is protective of public health
  - Require SWRCB to adopt criteria for regulating potable reuse through raw water augmentation by December 2021, unless there is insufficient research to adopt regulations
  - Quirk chairs the Assembly Committee on Environmental Safety and Toxic Materials
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# SB 5 (DE LEON)

- Authorize a new \$3 billion park and water bond
- Includes \$1.5 billion to fund specific Prop. 1 categories:
  - \$375 million for groundwater protection and water quality
  - \$375 million for IRWMPs
  - \$375 million for water recycling
  - \$375 million for groundwater sustainability
- Will replenish SWRCB's grant and loan program for water recycling

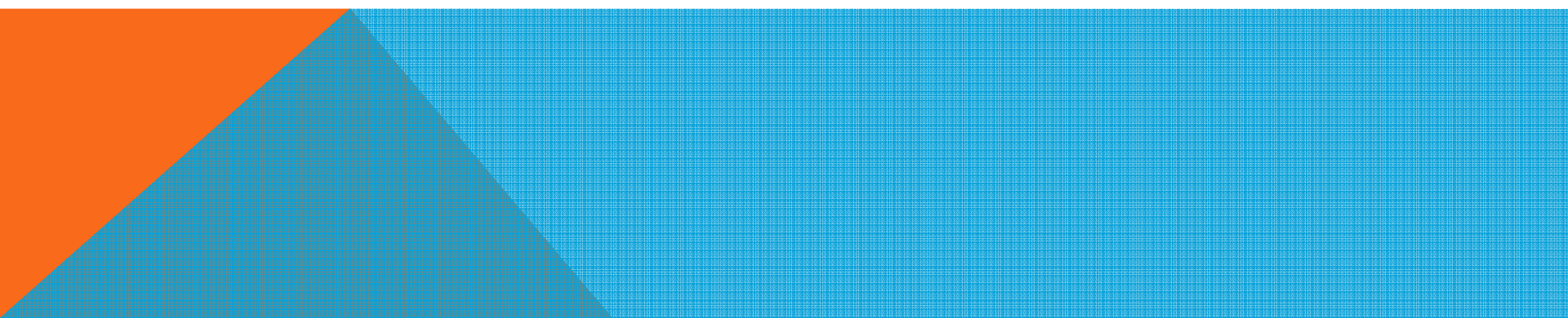
# STATUS OF OCEAN DISCHARGE LEGISLATION

- In 2016, Sen. Hertzberg indicated he would re-introduce SB 163 (mandate 50% WW discharge reduction) next year
  - Now, Hertzberg is not planning on re-introducing SB 163 this year
  - WRCA to stay vigilant in the event that the plan changes
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# RECYCLED WATER POLICY

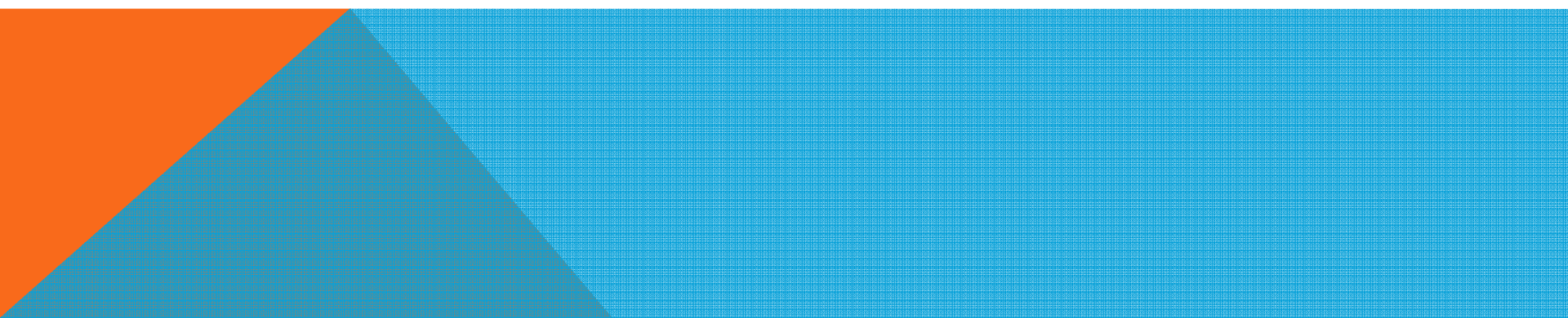
- SWRCB to amend the recycled water policy. Targeting March 2018 for public draft release of policy amendment
- One of the focus areas for SWRCB - salt and nutrient management plans:
  - Deadline to adopt plans has passed
  - Continue to encourage development of plans
  - Determine whether more incentives are needed
  - Recognize other contributors of salts and not just recycled water
- WRCA is working with SWRCB to identify issue areas, priorities, and stakeholders
- WRCA's subcommittee developed a list of issues to be addressed in the policy amendment

# RECYCLED WATER POLICY

- WRCA subcommittee will meet with SWRCB on March 17
  - BACWA has a representative on the WRCA subcommittee
  - BACWA recycled water committee will review the list of issues at its meeting on March 1
  - WRCA requested any additional issues to be identified by early March before the meeting with SWRCB
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# BUILDING STANDARDS – RECYCLED WATER

- AB 2282 (Gatto) was passed in 2014: requires Dpt of Housing and Community Development to conduct research to assist in development of, and to submit for adoption, mandatory building standards for installation of recycled water systems for newly constructed buildings and building site landscaped areas within a local that meet specific conditions.
  - DWR, SWRCB, HCD are working with Building Standards Commission to address plumbing code changes
  - The mandate to require dual plumbing for indoor use has been tabled – further study is needed. Development of a mandate for outdoor irrigation use at these buildings is moving forward.
  - Public comment on proposed changes to the plumbing code – timing to be confirmed but could be March 17 – May 1, 2017
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# UPCOMING EVENTS

- March 3 12:30-2:30 – Next WRCA Leg/Reg Committee meeting in Sacramento/conference call
- March 19-21 – WRCA Annual Conference in San Diego