

# WaterReuse California Los Angeles Chapter Meeting



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Legislation & Regulation Update

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# AB 803: Water Recycling Act of 2013 (Gomez/Hueso)

- Address barriers to recycled water
  - Align RW spill reporting and incidental runoff in codes
  - Authorize permitting of RW into conveyance systems
  - Authorize use of hose bibs in cemeteries
- Sponsor: WateReuse
- Last Action: 8/12/13 – Read 2nd time & amended
- Next Action: 8/19/13 – Appr. hearing in Senate

# AB 322: Water Recycling (Hueso)

- Critical for timely development of uniform water recycling criteria of DPR
- Promotes DPH completion of DPR feasibility study
  - DPH convene expert panel by 1/30/14
  - Draft report by 6/30/16 & public review by 9/30/16
  - DPH may accept non-state funds & contract w/ public universities
- Sponsor: SDCWA/City of San Diego
- Last Amendment: 7/3/13
- Next Action: 8/13/13 – ASM. W.,P. & W. Hearing

# AB 1200: Recycled Water Agricultural Impoundments (Levine)

- San Francisco RWQCB to authorize pilot program by Oct. 2014
- Investigate use of RW to supplement agriculture impoundments – 4 sites in Napa & Sonoma
- Measure water quality impacts
- Repeal study provisions by 2018
- Last Amendment: 7/2/13
- Last Action: 7/2/13 – Re-referred to Appr. Comm.
- Next Action: 8/12/13 – Appr. hearing in Senate

# AB 145: SWRCB Drinking Water (Perea)

- Moves DPH Drinking Water Programs to SWRCB
- Moves State Revolving Fund to SWRCB
- Address legislature concerns about DPH capacity
- Address rural disadvantaged community issues
- Coalition letter to Author - Oppose unless amend
- Last Amendment: 6/18/13
- Last Action: 8/12/13 – Appr. hearing in Senate;  
held in suspense file

# 2014 Water Bond

- Eight-member Assembly working group led by Assemblyman Rendon is crafting revised bond package.
- The group identified several principles including:
  - Protecting the Delta & Restoring healthy watersheds
  - Increasing regional self-reliance -- with IRWMPs as the tool
  - Ensuring safe drinking water for disadvantaged communities
  - Increasing water conservation and reuse
  - Expanding water storage options – both above and below ground
  - Striking a balance between improvements and maintenance of existing infrastructure and construction of new infrastructure.
- Next Action: 8/15/13 –ASM. W.,P. & W. hearing entitled “Framework for a Water Bond”



# 2014 Water Bond

- Avoid “earmarks” that allocate \$ w/o competition
- Expect Legislature will approve a \$7 to \$8 billion water bond
- WaterReuse wants the bond to include substantial funding for water recycling projects and wants to increase local and regional agencies’ accessibility to funding for water recycling projects.
- Promote development of new water reuse projects and technology to support greater water conservation and water reuse.

# 2014 Recycled Water Legislation

- Consider new legislation proposals for 2014
- Develop proposals before September
- Consider looking at other barriers to RW
- Welcome new ideas



# Questions?

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