WateReuse California
Los Angeles Chapter Meeting

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Legislation & Regulation Update

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2015 Legislative Dates

- January 5: Legislature reconvenes
- February 27: Last day for bills to be introduced
- June 5: Last day for bills to pass house of origin
- September 11: Last day for any bill to be passed
- October 11: Last day for Governor to sign or veto bills passed by legislature

See: [http://assembly.ca.gov/legislativedeadlines](http://assembly.ca.gov/legislativedeadlines)
Last meeting – 01/16/2015
WRCA Legislative Briefing
California Proposed Budget
- Includes $532 M in bond funds
- Recycled water funding ~$131
- WRCA to seek additional Bond funds for 2015/16
WRCA members confirm shovel ready projects
Update on 2015 Regulatory Priorities
Legislative Regulatory Committee Schedule

- February 27, 2015
- March 17, 2015
- April 10, 2015
- May 1, 2015
- June 5, 2015
- June 26, 2015
- August 7, 2015
- August 28, 2015
- October 23, 2015
2015 Proposed Legislation

- IRWD recycled water proposal.
  - Focus on RW storage and storm-induced overflow.
  - Work group formed to resolve details before seeking formal WRCA support

- SB 47 - Analyze synthetic turf for potential adverse health impacts by July 1, 2017. Prohibit school or local government’s from installing until January 2018.
Federal Legislation

- WRA National Legislative Committee Meetings
  - 2nd Friday of the month (11 am PST)

- Water in the 21st Century (HR 291\ S176)
  - Expand EPA’s WaterSense Program, Reauthorize Water Desalination Act, and fund climate change (includes RW)

- Waters of the U.S. (HR 594)
  - Clarify definition of WOTUS

- Drinking Water Protection Act (HR 212)
  - Assess & manage risk of cyano toxins in drinking water
Water Bond

Key funding areas

- $725 M for water recycling
- $900 M for groundwater sustainability
- $810 M for regional water reliability
- $520 M for safe drinking water
- $395 M for flood management
- $1.5 B for watersheds; and
- $2.7 B for water storage

Implementation Issues

- Not all $ will be released in 2015/2016
- Prop. 1 guidelines under development
2015 WRCA Regulatory Priorities

- Reservoir augmentation regulations and direct potable reuse statewide outreach
- Changing general permit from WDR to WRRs
- Pursuing Title 17 and 22 changes
- Recycled water storage issues and decorative lakes
- SWRCB Drought Emergency Regulations
- Other issues?
Title 17 and 22 changes

- Subcommittee meeting for past 1 ½ years
- Identified changes to facilitate use
- Plan to meet with SWRCB in near future
- Request SWRCB to consider administrative changes that were suggested from WRCA
- Expect DDW to pursue simultaneously with IPR and DPR requirements
Questions?

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