

WaterReuse California Los Angeles Chapter Meeting



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Legislation & Regulation Update

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2015 Legislative Dates

- June 5 Last day for bills to pass house of origin
- June 15 Budget Bill must be passed by midnight
- July 17 Last day for policy committees to meet and report bills. Summer recess begins
- Aug. 17 Legislature reconvenes from recess
- Aug. 28 Last day for fiscal committees to meet and report bills
- 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>

2015 Recycled Water Legislation

- SB 471 – Water Energy GHG
- AB 606 – State Property Water Use
- AB 888 – Waste management: plastic microbeads
- AB 954 – Water and Wastewater Loan & Grant Program
- AB 1173 - Backflow prevention testing: certification
- AB 1463 - Onsite Recycled Water: establish requirements

National Legislation Update

- S. 1894 - California Emergency Drought Relief Act of 2015 (Feinstein)
- Authorize \$1.6 B over 10 years
- Authorize \$200 M for Title XVI Grants
 - Require feasibility study to request funding
 - Remove Congressional authorization requirement
- Reauthorize Desalination Act and authorize \$50 M
- Authorize additional \$100M for WaterSMART

National Legislation Update

- H.R. 2983 - Drought Recovery & Resiliency Act of 2015 (Huffman)
 - Establish National Water Recycling & Reclamation Program
 - Authorize \$500 M for each fiscal year 2016-2020
- H.R. 1278 - Water Infrastructure Resiliency and Sustainability Act (Capps)
 - Establish grant program for water systems
 - Authorize \$50 M for each fiscal year 2016-2020

Recycled Water General Permit

- 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
- Next meeting scheduled for August 24, 2015

Title 17 and 22 changes

- Subcommittee Identified priorities for revisions
- DDW reviewed proposed Title 17 and 22 changes
- DDW reminded us of other high priorities & limited staff
- DDW is open to non-controversial Title 22 changes
- DDW has concerns about removing 4-year testing of dual plumbed facilities & suggested alternative methods
- Subcommittee preparing more detailed justification
- Subcommittee pursuing revisions with DDW

Questions?

If you have any questions, please contact:

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