

# WateReuse California Los Angeles Chapter Meeting



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Legislation & Regulation Update

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# 2017 Legislative Calendar

- Feb. 17 Last day for bills to be introduced
- June 2 Last day for bills to pass house of origin
- June 15 Last day to pass budget bill
- July 21 Last day for policy committees to report bills  
Summer Recess begins
- Aug. 21 Legislature reconvenes
- Sept. 1 Last day for fiscal committees to report bills
- Sept. 15 Last day for any bill to be passed
- Oct. 15 Last day for Governor to sign or veto bills
- Jan. 1 Statutes take effect

See: <http://assembly.ca.gov/legislativedeadlines>

# AB 574: Potable Reuse (Quirk)

- Clarify Direct and Indirect Potable Reuse definitions
- Specify 2 types of Direct Potable Reuse
  - 1) Raw water augmentation
  - 2) Treated water augmentation
- Establish framework for regulating potable reuse by 6/1/2018
- SWRCB to adopt uniform water recycling criteria for raw water augmentation by 12/31/2023
- SWRCB must establish and administer expert panel
- SWRCB must submit proposed criteria to expert panel & receive finding of protection of public health before adoption
- Last Action: 7/13/17 – Re-referred to Com. on Appropriations
- Sponsored by WaterReuse & California CoastKeeper

# AB 869: Sustainable Water Use – Recycled Water (Rubio)

- Encourage continued investment in water reuse to increase water supply reliability
- Acknowledge water conservation does not include curtailment of recycled water
- Standards adopted shall include a credit for recycled water
- Adopt long-term urban water conservation standards and performance standards for CII by May 2021
- Urban water suppliers shall calculate water use target comprised of indoor residential volume, outdoor irrigation volume, and water losses
- Consider updating standards on specified schedule
- Last Action: 7/3/17 – Re-referred to Com. on NR&W
- Concern over recycled water credits remain

# Proposed Water Use Efficiency Bill (Skinner/Hertzberg)

- Urban water supplier's submit water use targets and current water use to DWR by 01/01/21
- Recycled water distributor's calculate water use targets for residential interior, residential exterior, CII, and leaks
- Leak standards includes recycled water
- Consider variance that allows recycled water to be applied at an appropriate agronomic rate
- Standard shall be based on MWELO
- SWRCB shall adopt variances to standards by 01/01/20

# AB 967: Human Remains Disposal: alkaline hydrolysis (Gloria)

- Amends the Business and Professions Code and Health and Safety Code relating to the disposal of human remains
- Requires license to regulate hydrolysis facilities
- Licensed hydrolysis facility may dispose of hydrolysate using a sewer collection system under the specified conditions
- Authorization for disposal of hydrolysate using a sewer collection system shall be voluntary and at the discretion of each public agency
- Considered environmentally responsible alternative to cremation by author
- Last Action: 7/13/17 – Re-referred to Com. on Appropriations



# SB5: California Drought, Water, Parks, Climate, and... (De Leon)

- Authorize \$3.8B Bond to finance a drought, water, parks, climate, coastal protection, and outdoor access for all program
- Provide \$550M to clean drinking water & drought preparedness with ~\$125M for water recycling
- 20% of funds allocated to severely disadvantage communities
- Last Action: 7/18/17 – Re-referred to Com. on WP&W
- WRCA request increase recycled water funding to \$375M

# Federal Legislation

- HR 23 – Gaining Responsibility on Water Act of 2017
  - HR 434 – New Water Act
  - HR 465 – Water Quality Improvement Act of 2017
  - HR 875 – USBR Water Project Streamlining Act
  - HR 1579 – Secure and Resilient Water Systems Act
  - HR 1654 – Water Supply Permitting Coordination Act
  - HR 1663 – Water Resources Research Amendments Act
  - HR 2799 – Western Water Recycling and Drought Act
  - HR 3248 – Water Advanced Technologies for Efficient Use
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- S 216 – Bureau of Reclamation Transparency Act
  - S 880 – Made in America Water Infrastructure Act
  - S 692 – Water Infrastructure Flexibility Act
  - S 1137 – Clean Safe Reliable Water Infrastructure



# Upcoming Regulatory Actions

- Surface Water Augmentation regulations
- Recycled Water Policy Update
- Mandatory RW Building Standards
- Evaluate recycled water use for animals
- On-site Treatment System Policy

# Surface Water Augmentation

- Draft regulations released 7/21/17
- [http://waterboards.ca.gov/drinking\\_water/certlic/drinkingwater/Surface\\_Water\\_Augmentation\\_Regulations.shtml](http://waterboards.ca.gov/drinking_water/certlic/drinkingwater/Surface_Water_Augmentation_Regulations.shtml)
- Public Hearing 9/7/17
- Public Comments due by September 12, 2017
- Potential concerns: monitoring requirements, monitoring off ramps, minimum retention time, & operator training

# Recycled Water Policy Update - CECs

- Update Constituents of Emerging Concern (CECs) monitoring requirements
- Expand CEC assessment to cover Title 22 and surface water augmentation applications
- Provide recommendations for additional research including antibiotic resistant bacteria & micro plastics
- <http://sccwrp.org/ResearchAreas/Contaminants/RecycledWaterAdvisoryPanel.aspx>

## 2017 CEC Science Advisory Panel for Recycled Water Schedule

July 19-21, 2017	Panel Meeting #1
December 11-15, 2017	Panel Meeting #2
January 2018	Draft Report released for Public Comment
30 Days after Draft Release	Public Comments on Draft Due
February 29, 2018	Final Report due to State Water Board
TBD	State Water Board Workshop
December 31, 2018	Project end date

# Questions?

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