

# WaterReuse California Los Angeles Chapter Meeting



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Legislation & Regulation Update

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# 2019 California Legislative Dates

- Jan. 1 Statutes take effect
- Jan. 7 Legislature reconvenes
- Feb. 22 Last day for bills to be introduced
- Apr. 26 Last day policy comm. to report fiscal bills
- May 17 Last day fiscal comm. to report fiscal bills
- May 31 Last day for bills to pass house of origin
- June 15 Last day to pass budget
- Aug. 30 Last day for any bill to be passed
- Oct. 13 Last day for Governor to sign or veto bills
- See: <http://assembly.ca.gov/legislativedeadlines>

# SB 166: Process Water Treatment Systems: breweries (Wiener)

- Require SWRCB to adopt regulations on treatment & reuse of process water in breweries before 12/1/2025
- Regulations shall include:
  - Microbiological, chemical, physical water quality, and treatment standards for use of process water
  - WQ monitoring, reporting, notification, & cross-connections
- Require entities to:
  - Consult with Water & WWTP agencies that could be impacted
  - provide annual report & modify or terminate operations if directed by CDPH
- Last Action: 08/30/19 – held in committee
- Sponsor: SFPUC
- WRCA is in watch position

# AB 292: Recycled Water: raw water & GW augmentation (Quirk)

- Eliminate terms indirect potable reuse & direct potable reuse
- Rename "indirect potable reuse for groundwater recharge" as groundwater augmentation
- Clarify "Potable Reuse", includes but not limited to
  - Groundwater augmentation
  - Reservoir water augmentation
  - Raw water augmentation
  - Treated drinking water augmentation
- SWRCB adopt raw water augmentation before 12/31/2023
- Sponsor: WateReuse California
- Last Action: 08/30/19 – **ordered to inactive file**

# SB 332: Wastewater Treatment: Recycled Water (Hertzberg & Wiener)

- Accelerate water recycling and increase water supplies by mandating reduction of wastewater discharges to the ocean
- Declares discharges of treated wastewater from ocean outfalls is a “waste and unreasonable use” of water
- Requires NPDES permit holders and affiliated water suppliers to:
  - Reduce ocean discharges
    - 50 percent from average annual dry weather volume by 2030
    - 95 percent from average annual dry weather volume by 2040
  - Submit joint plan for treatment, transportation, and reuse by 2025
  - Submit progress reports by 2027 & every 5 years thereafter
  - Penalties for lack of progress
- Sponsor: NRDC & California CoastKeeper Alliance
- Last Action: 05/16/19 – **Held in Senate Appropriations**
- WRCA is in Oppose unless amend position

# AB 1180: Water: Recycled Water (Friedman)

- Require SWRCB to update uniform criteria for nonpotable uses by 2023 if sufficient funds have been appropriated
- Amend Health and Safety Code to require policy handbook include a provision for use of a swivel or change over device to supply potable water to dual plumbed systems during an interruption of recycled water service; and
- Require use of swivel or changeover device to be consistent with any notification and backflow protection provisions contained in the policy handbook.
- No reimbursement for local agencies for mandated costs
- Last Action: 10/02/19 – Signed by Governor
- WRCA is Sponsor

# Direct Potable Reuse Framework

- SWRCB prepared 2<sup>nd</sup> addition
- Comments due 10/09/2019 at noon
- Includes new chapter on regulatory approach, use of WTPs, aesthetic issues
- Proposes to develop raw water and treated water augmentation regulations together
- Allow LRV of WTP as part of treatment requirement
- Will adopt regulations by 12/31/2023
- WRCA prepared comment letter

# Federal Update

- National Water Reuse Action Plan

- Comments due 12/16/19

- FY 2020 Appropriations

- House Appropriations

- CWSRF = \$1.78B
- DWSRF = \$1.30B
- Title XVI = \$67M
- WINN = \$13M

- Senate Appropriations

- = \$1.6B, WIFIA = \$73M
- = \$X.XB
- = \$65M
- = \$20M

- House passed Continuing Resolution through November 21

- House & Senate to negotiate on final funding for FY 2020



# HR 1162: Water Recycling Investment and Improvement Act (Napolitano)

- Increase \$ for Title XVI
- Increase Title XVI appropriation from \$50M to \$500M
- Increase Title XVI federal funding ceiling from \$20M to \$30M
- Delete funding priority for projects identified by U.S. Drought monitor or as a disaster area for past 4 years
- Make program permanent by removing the WIIN Act Title XVI 2021 expiration date
- Remove the requirement for projects to be specifically name in appropriation legislation.
- Last Action: 06/13/19 – Subcommittee Hearings

# Questions?

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