

# LEGISLATION AND REGULATORY UPDATE

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**BILLS TO KEEP AN EYE ON**

**PLUMBING CODE**

**FINANCIAL ALLOCATIONS**

- DROUGHT PACKAGE**
- CLIMATE RESILIENCY PACKAGE**
- BIPARTISAN INFRASTRUCTURE PACKAGE**

**DPR REGULATIONS UPDATE**





<b>Bill</b>	<b>Summary</b>
<b>SB 45</b> <b>(Portantino/Allen)</b>	<b>\$5.5 billion in bonds to finance wildfire prevention, safe drinking water, drought preparation and flood protection</b>
<b>AB 1500</b> <b>(Garcia/Mullen)</b>	<b>\$6.8 Billion total</b> <b>- Includes \$300 million for recycled water</b>
<b>SB 230 (Portantino)</b>	<b>Requires state board to “establish, maintain, and direct” Constituents of Emerging Concern Program to assess and recommend areas for further studies of CECs in drinking water sources and treated drinking water</b>
<b>AB 1434 (Friedman)</b>	<b>Changes WUE Law (lowers existing standard from 50 gpcd by 2030 to 40 gpcd by 2030.</b>
<b>AB 377 (Rivas)</b>	<b>Tightens water quality requirements – groundwater and instream.</b>
<b>AB 588</b> <b>(Garcia)</b>	<b>California Safe Drinking Water Act—State Water Board to identify actions necessary to assist specified water systems and approves compliance period for primary drinking water standard</b>
<b>SB 351</b> <b>(Caballero)</b>	<b>Water Innovation Act of 2021, would create the Office of Water Innovation at the California Water Commission</b>



# PLUMBING CODES

## **AB-371 (Goldberg)**

incorporating what was Appendix J of the Uniform Plumbing Code into the California Plumbing Code (CPC).

## **AB-836 (Gabriel)**

Requires that a newly constructed nonresidential building be constructed with dual plumbing to allow the use of recycled water.



# DROUGHT PACKAGE AND AB-129

## **Drought Package Bill**

- Still in negotiations and will introduce before session end (September)
- WRCA is asking \$500 million for recycled water projects.

## **AB-129 Budget Act of 2021 (Budget Bill Jr.)**

- passed in June
- \$85 million for groundwater cleanup and water recycling projects.





# CLIMATE RESILIENCE PACKAGE

## **Multi-year (2022-2024)**

\$5.1 billion over multiple years for water resilience investments.

*In a letter to Gavin Newsom and Congress,  
WRCA is requesting \$500 million in grants in  
support of recycled water!*





# BIPARTISAN INFRASTRUCTURE PACKAGE

**Passed the Senate on August 10, 2021**

## **\$3.5 Trillion Budget framework**

\$550 million for Title XVI Water  
Reclamation and Reuse grants program.

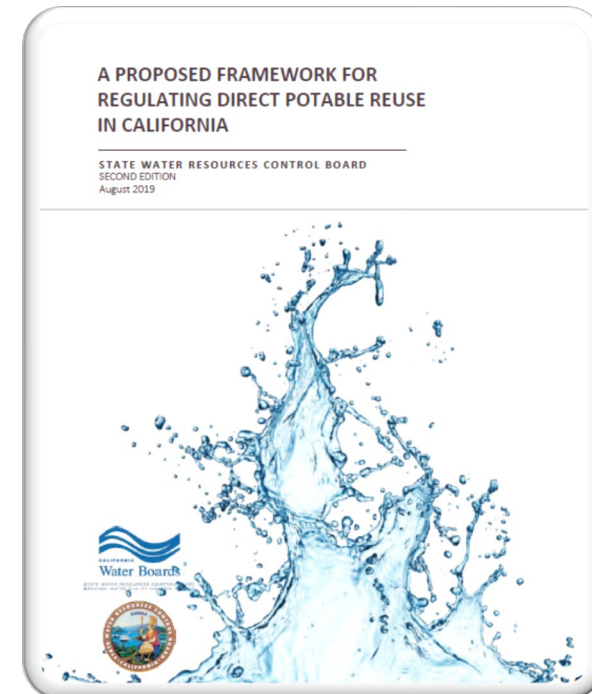
\$450 million will be available through a  
new grant program for large-scale water  
recycling projects.

*Watereuse is working closely with  
congress to secure funding!*



# DIRECT POTABLE REUSE REGULATIONS

- **SWRCB RELEASED ADDENDUM TO DPR FRAMEWORK 2ND EDITION**
  - **COMMENT LETTERS SUBMITTED BY WATEREUSE AND OTHER AGENCIES**
    - DISTINCTION BETWEEN RWA AND TWA
    - PATHOGEN CONTROL REQUIREMENTS
    - CHEMICAL CONTROL REQUIREMENTS
    - TMF CAPACITY
    - DIRECT POTABLE REUSE RESPONSIBLE AGENCY





# DIRECT POTABLE REUSE EXPERT PANEL

**The State Water Resources Control Board has convened an expert review panel as required by Section 13561.2 of the Water Code**

**Open sessions held on August 24 – 25, 2021**

- Discussed the time frame for completion of review.
- Revisited the current status and goals for the project.
- Panel members discussed topics of interest or concern.
- Reviewed the draft DPR criteria and provided opportunity for Panel questions.



# QUESTIONS?



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