2025 URBAN WATER MANAGEMENT PLAN

Update and Role of Conservation and Recycled Water Regulations

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What's New in the 2025 UWMPs?

- Anticipated changes to the 2025 Guidebook
 - Guidebook not yet out, based on a DWR presentation on 4/10/24 and Sharepoint
- Regulatory changes that may impact your UWMP

No Legislative updates!



General Table Updates

- Conform to Water Code requirements
- Consistency: three reliability tables cover different time frames
 - AWSDA= 1 year
 - Drought Risk Assessment= 5 consecutive dry years
 - Water Supply Reliability Assessment= 20 years
- Accuracy
- ADA Accessibility
- Streamlining/Auto-filling
 - Ex. Energy Reporting in the UWMP and Climate Registry



Double Counting Stored Water

- Was recognized as an issue
 - Example: imported water is counted once when it is imported to storage and again when water is drawn, treated, and distributed
 - Potential Solution: table includes column for volume sent to storage, volume recovered, and net long-term storage
- With potable reuse becoming more common, these scenarios may be more important to consider



SB X7-7 and other Conservation Reporting

- Suppliers have to report on their 2020 SB X7-7 targets
- After Jan 1, 2021, urban water supplier are no longer protected from violation if they don't meet target
- What if you don't meet your target?
 - DWR has not adopted regulations on this and does not have an official position
 - Advise suppliers to seek their counsel
 - Documentation of DAC or a plan to meet 2020 target, this will make suppliers eligible for funding



SB X7-7 and other Conservation Reporting



- Urban water Use Objective (UWUO) is a separate program but may be considered in the demand forecast
- Use the Water Use Objective Exploration Tool

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"Suppliers should feel comfortable making assumptions using recent data, modifying previous assumptions based upon new facts [...] and testing effects of various conservation strategies, as these can and should be revisited at the next UWMP cycle. [...] DWR recognizes that an UWMP is a Supplier's plan – not DWR's – and will defer to each supplier's discretion for reflecting the quantitative benefits of applicable codes, standards, and ordinances, assuming reasonable citations and basis are provided, as required by Water Code"

Appendix K 2020 Urban Water Management Plan Guidebook

Table 4-5 asks if future water savings is included in projections

IPR and DPR

- Adopted December 2023; effective October 2024
- Many new IPR and DPR projects in CA (40+)



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IPR and DPR

- No *current* DPR projects to report
 - Future DPR project = future expected water supply
- Table update: differentiate between recycled *potable* from recycled *non-potable*
- Has complicated the issue of double counting
 - Potable vs non-potable vs recycled water
 - Improving tables to clarify all potential scenario
 - Appendix M clarifies reporting



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Water Loss

- Annual Water Loss Audit reports no longer needed in UWMP
- Must include Water Loss in UWMP in other ways:
 - Report water losses for current and future years in demand tables
 - Summarize past 5 years of water loss audit results
 - Demand Management Measure

Required to provide data demonstrating whether the supplier *will meet* its State Water Board water loss performance standard in **2028**

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Other Updates

- Climate Change and SWP Reliability Reporting
 - Use the SWP Reliability Report
 - Appendix I of Guidebook considers climate change, DWR will update
- Seawater Desalination
 - California Seawater Desalination Interagency Group recommendations: UWMP can demonstrate need for desal projects, could be used for a streamlined permitting path
- Coordinated Planning
 - Required and/or recommended UWMP coordination with other planning efforts: GSP,
 County Hazard Mitigation Plan, Local planning depts, The Delta Plan etc.

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Closing and Questions

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