

**MEETING OF THE EXTERNAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE  
WATER REPLENISHMENT DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA  
4040 PARAMOUNT BLVD., LAKEWOOD, CALIFORNIA  
12:00 P.M., MONDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2010**

**AGENDA**

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- 1. DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM**
- 2. PUBLIC COMMENT**
- 3. MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF AUGUST 16, 2010**  
*Staff Recommendation:* For information.
- 4. LEGISLATIVE REPORT**  
*Staff Recommendation:* For information.
- 5. CONSIDERATION OF CONTRACT EXTENSION FOR TRES ES, INC.**  
*Staff Recommendation:* For information.
- 6. PRESS RELEASE AND MEDIA CONTACT PROCEDURE**  
*Staff Recommendation:* Adopt a press release and media contact procedure.
- 7. CORO FELLOW PROGRAM**  
*Staff Recommendation:* For information.
- 8. FEDERAL ADVOCACY SUPPORT SERVICES**  
*Staff Recommendation:* For discussion.
- 9. STATE ADVOCACY SUPPORT SERVICES**  
*Staff Recommendation:* For discussion.
- 10. LOCAL ADVOCACY SUPPORT SERVICES CONTRACT WITH ROBERT E. BUSH CORPORATION**  
*Staff Recommendation:* For discussion.
- 11. RENEWAL OF WATERWISE CONSULTANT CONTRACT**  
*Staff Recommendation:* Approve renewal of agreement with WaterWise Consulting.

**12. DEPARTMENT REPORT**

**13. DIRECTORS' REPORTS, INQUIRIES, AND FOLLOW UP OF DIRECTIONS TO STAFF**

**14. ADJOURNMENT**

Posted by Abigail C. Andom, Deputy Secretary, October 15, 2010.

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**MINUTES OF AUGUST 16, 2010  
MEETING OF THE EXTERNAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE  
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
WATER REPLENISHMENT DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA**

A meeting of the External Affairs Committee of the Board of Directors of the Water Replenishment District of Southern California was held on August 16, 2010 at 12:25 p.m. at the District Office, 4040 Paramount Boulevard, Lakewood, California. Director Willard H. Murray, Jr. called the meeting to order. Deputy Secretary Abigail C. Andom recorded the minutes.

**1. DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM**

Committee: Willard H. Murray, Jr. and Albert Robles  
Staff: Elsa Lopez, Adeline Yoong  
Guest: Rick Taylor, Pacific Atlantic Partners

**2. PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

**3. MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS OF MAY 24, 2010, JUNE 21, 2010 AND JULY 19, 2010**

The minutes were approved as submitted.

The agenda items were taken out of order.

**6. LYNWOOD CHAMBER OF COMMERCE PARTNERSHIP PROPOSAL**

Manager of External Affairs Elsa Lopez stated that the Lynwood Chamber of Commerce submitted a partnership proposal to the Board of Directors at its July 16, 2010 meeting. Ms. Lopez explained that the Board referred the proposal to the External Affairs Committee for review and consideration. She noted that the Board also requested staff to confirm the Chamber's state and local regulation compliance.

Ms. Lopez stated that, based on staff's research, the Chamber is not registered as a non-profit organization (NPO). Discussion followed and the Committee determined that because the Chamber does not meet the minimum requirements of an NPO, the Board cannot accept its proposal. Director Murray requested staff to draft a letter for his review to be sent to the Chamber informing them of the Committee's action.

**4. LEGISLATIVE REPORT**

Tammy Lindenberg with Pacific Atlantic Partners (PAP) provided an update on federal legislative activities via teleconference. Ms. Lindenberg stated that Congress is in recess and is scheduled to convene on September 13. She noted that before Congress went into recess, the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee released its version of the Water Resources Development Act (WRDA) bill and no environmental

infrastructure projects including the District's Groundwater Reliability Improvement Program (GRIP) were included. She stated that she is hopeful of the possibility that it may be inserted at a later date. Ms. Lindenberg stated that it is unlikely that a WRDA bill will be completed this year. She stated that staff is also working on securing letters of support from cities and stakeholders on the GRIP project to be submitted to Congresswoman Grace Napolitano who has offered to carry legislation to help fund the project.

Bob Reeb of Millennium Advocates provided an update on state legislative activities also via teleconference. Mr. Reeb stated it has been 47 days into the new fiscal year and the State is operating without a budget. He also provided an update on AB 1955 (De La Torre) and SB 501 (Correa).

Guests from the Lynwood Chamber of Commerce joined the meeting.

Ivan Crosbie, President of the Lynwood Chamber of Commerce, stated that he would like an opportunity to present their partnership proposal. Maria Garcia, Immediate Past-President, informed the Committee that the Chamber got their business license today.

Director Murray stated that staff presented their report on the Chamber earlier in the meeting and Committee determined that because the Chamber does not meet the minimum requirements of an NPO, the Committee cannot recommend the Board accept the proposal. He noted that the District does not do the kind of partnership proposed by the Chamber.

Discussion followed. The Committee requested the item be agendaized for next month's meeting. Mr. Crosbie and Ms. Garcia thanked the Committee for the opportunity to speak and excused themselves from the meeting.

**5. CONSIDERATION OF CONTRACT EXTENSION FOR TRES ES, INC.**  
The Committee requested the item be deferred to next month's meeting.

**7. SOUTHEAST MOBILE TECHNOLOGY CENTER CONTRACT**  
Ms. Lopez stated that the District would like to partner with the Southeast Community Development Corporation's (SCDC) Southeast Mobile Technology Center to enhance WRD's ECO Gardener<sup>®</sup> training program. She explained that the SCDC proposes to lease the Southeast Mobile Technology Center to the District for the ECO Gardener<sup>®</sup> Design Concept classes which is the last class of the four-class series the training program offers.

The Committee recommended that Board contract with the Southeast Community Development Corporation for use of the Southeast Mobile Technology Center (or Mobile) for the WRD ECO Gardener® Program for an amount not to exceed \$20,000 for fiscal year 2010-2011.

**8. CONSERVATION PARTNERSHIPS**

Ms. Lopez stated that the District continues to partner with Metropolitan Water District (MWD) member agencies on joint conservation ventures. She explained that for fiscal year 2010-11, WRD plans to work with the City of Torrance and the West Basin Municipal Water District (WBMWD) to enhance rebate programs for businesses and institutions, i.e., school water audits, landscape programs (rebates for sprinkler controllers), retrofitting projects (restaurants), etc. in the amount of \$40,000 each at a 50% match level.

Ms. Lopez stated that the District also intends to continue with the Residential Conservation Programs through WRD's signature ECO Gardener® training program. She noted that WRD is enhancing the ECO Gardener® training program with ECO Gardener PRO® for Professional Landscapers, ECO Gardener PRO Plus® for municipals, and water agency staff that includes Residential Audit Certification. Staff is recommending an allocation of \$115,000 for these conservation programs.

The Committee concurred with the staff recommendation to enter into conservation agreements with the City of Torrance and the WBMWD at a match level of 50% in the amount of \$40,000 each, and allocate \$115,000 for the ECO Gardener® Training Program.

**9. EDUCATION PARTNERSHIPS**

Ms. Lopez stated that the District also partners with educational institutions and non-profit organizations in joint educational projects and programs. She noted that the following educational partnerships are proposed: Aquarium of the Pacific's It all Flows to Me™ at \$50,000, Mono Lake Committee's Treasure Beneath Our Feet at \$20,000, Water to the City's school and teacher training program at \$15,000, Los Angeles San Gabriel Rivers Watershed Council's water summit lead sponsor at \$10,000 and Think Watershed's educational trips at \$20,000. Total budgeted amount for these education partnerships is \$115,000.

The Committee recommended the Board enter into Education Partnership Agreements with the Aquarium of the Pacific for \$50,000, Mono Lake Committee for \$20,000, Water to the City for \$15,000, LASG Rivers Watershed Council for \$10,000 and Think

Watershed for \$20,000 for an Education Program amount not to exceed \$115,000.

**10. WATEREUSE 2010 INSTITUTION OF THE YEAR AWARD**

Deputy Secretary Abbie Andom stated that the Finance Committee at its August 12, 2010 meeting requested the External Affairs Committee to consider recommending approval of travel to Washington, D.C. for directors who may wish to accept the District's 2010 Institution of the Year Award from the WateReuse Association and that the travel be funded outside of each individual director's travel budget.

Discussion followed and the Committee stated that travel to Washington, D.C. for directors interesting in accepting the WateReuse Association award will be funded by the individual director's travel budget. They asked the Deputy Secretary to inform Director Katherman of the Committee's action.

**11. DEPARTMENT REPORT**

Ms. Lopez gave an overview of the Department's activities. She stated that, in addition to her written report, staff has started planning for the 2011 Groundwater Festival. She noted that she would like the Committee to consider a van for the External Affairs Department for fiscal year 2011-12.

**12. DIRECTORS REPORTS, INQUIRIES, AND FOLLOW UP OF DIRECTIONS TO STAFF**

Director Murray stated that he would like for Ms. Lopez to arrange a meeting with him and the entire External Affairs Department staff.

Director Robles thanked the External Affairs Department staff for all their hard work.

**13. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 2:55 p.m.

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Chair

ATTEST:

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Director



## MEMORANDUM

ITEM NO. 4

Prepared by: Adeline Yoong

Reviewed by: Elsa Lopez

Approved by: Robb Whitaker

**DATE:** OCTOBER 18, 2010  
**TO:** EXTERNAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE  
**FROM:** ROBB WHITAKER, GENERAL MANAGER  
**SUBJECT:** LEGISLATIVE REPORT

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### SUMMARY

#### **Legislative Calendar**

##### State Legislature

September 30	Last day for Governor to sign or veto bills passed by the Legislature
November 2	General election
November 30	Adjournment <i>sine die</i> at midnight

##### Congress

September 29	Adjournment
November 13	Congress reconvenes

#### **Legislative Report**

Verbal updates will be provided on state and federal matters.

### FISCAL IMPACT

None.

### STAFF RECOMMENDATION

For information.

**WRD State Legislative Matrix  
Updated 10/7/2010**

*Chaptered bills are in GREEN, Vetoed bills are in RED, Bills with WRD Board positions are highlighted*

Bill No./ Author	Title/Content	Status	Position	Comments
<p><u>AB 13</u> <u>Salas</u></p>	<p><b>Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Conservancy.</b> Would establish the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Conservancy to restore, maintain, and enhance ecosystems, including habitats, wildlife corridors, native species, and open space, in the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta , and to develop and implement projects to address the economic viability of the Delta region, consistent with a specified Delta Plan . This bill contains other related provisions.</p>	<p>Int. 12/01/2008 <b>Location:</b> 07/02/2010-S DEAD <b>Status:</b> 07/02/2010-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(13). (Last location was N.R. &amp; W. on 9/2/2009)</p>	<p><b>STAFF RECOMMENDATION:</b> <b>Watch</b></p> <p><b>ACWA/MWD:</b> MWD - Support ACWA - Support if Amended</p> <p><b>Others:</b> WATCH: SCWC</p>	<p>DEAD. Natural Resources and Water Committee. Establish the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Conservancy and charge the Conservancy with providing policy oversight, fostering implementation of a Delta sustainability program that is intended to restore and manage habitat in the Delta and Suisun Marsh, and manage funds that are used to implement the components of a sustainability program.</p>
<p><u>AB 300</u> <u>Caballero</u></p>	<p><b>Subdivisions: water supply.</b> Would require, until January 1, 2017, the public water system, or the local agency if there is no public water system, to review, verify for accuracy, and approve, as specified, the subdivider's water savings projections attributable to voluntary demand management measures, as defined. The public water system would be authorized to collect fees necessary to provide the additional analysis of the voluntary demand management measures. This bill would provide that a water supply assessment completed, as specified, satisfies the existing requirement of verifying sufficient water supply, unless the public water system receives specified new information . The public water system would be</p>	<p>Int. 02/17/2009 <b>Location:</b> 08/13/2010-S DEAD <b>Status:</b> 08/13/2010-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(14). (Last location was N.R. &amp; W. on 7/7/2009)</p>	<p><b>STAFF RECOMMENDATION:</b> <b>Watch</b></p> <p><b>ACWA/MWD:</b> MWD - Support if Amended ACWA - Support if Amended</p> <p><b>Others:</b> SUPPORT: Southern Calif Water Comm</p>	<p>DEAD. Under current law, a proposed project of 500 or more homes (or mixed use project with equivalent water use) must have an analysis completed that substantiates that there is adequate water available to support the project. Bill sponsor, California Building Industry Association (CBIA), wants to ensure that water saving devices</p>

required to determine the projected water savings attributable to the voluntary demand management measures that will be incorporated into the subdivision. The projected water savings would be required to be calculated using specified data compiled or maintained by the public water system or the water savings projections adopted by the California Urban Water Conservation Council. If a project applicant proposes to use a new voluntary water demand management measure for which neither the California Urban Water Conservation Council nor the public water system has adopted an estimate or method to calculate the projected water savings of the proposed voluntary demand management measure, the projected water savings would be required to be made based on documented methodologies or calculations submitted in the record. Five years after the project has been fully developed, the public water system would be required to include within its next urban water management plan a report on the monitoring and compliance of voluntary water demand management measures and to determine, if practicable based on readily available information, whether they have resulted in the water savings necessary to achieve the agreed upon water demand offsets. The bill would also require the public water system to document the measured annual water use of the subdivision in comparison to the projected demand associated with the subdivision, and to calculate the water savings attributable to the voluntary mitigation measures financed by the Voluntary Water Demand Mitigation Fund for the subdivision. If the public water system bases its written verification of a sufficient water supply for the subdivision, in whole or in part, on the use of voluntary demand management measures within the subdivision, the written verification would be required to be conditioned on the maintenance and operation of the voluntary demand management measures, or measures that are at least as water efficient, as agreed to by the applicant and the public water system, and the

in new home development projects are properly accounted for in such water demand assessments. An outstanding concern remains as to how to enforce that future property owners will maintain the water saving devices installed.

<p><u>AB 410</u> <u>De La Torre</u></p>	<p>recording as a covenant running with the land for the lots within the subdivision. The bill would provide that by acceptance of a deed to a lot, each purchaser would acknowledge the obligation to comply with the voluntary demand measures for the lot as described in the covenant. These covenants would be authorized to be enforced pursuant to the existing authority of a public water system. The bill would further require a builder, prior to the close of escrow, to give a purchaser information that would be required to be included in a maintenance manual that informs the purchaser of the existence of the home's unique water saving devices, including specified information. The bill would also encourage the public water system to commit to carrying out the water conservation measures funded by the Voluntary Water Demand Mitigation Fund within 24 months of the sale of the last unit of the proposed subdivision. The bill would require the public water system to choose water conservation measures that are the most cost-effective means to yield water savings. The bill would authorize expenditures from the fund to be made within the subdivision or elsewhere within the service area of the public water supplier, at its discretion. Not less than 40% of the proceeds from the voluntary water demand mitigation fund would be required to be directed to water conservation programs in any disadvantaged community, unless the public water system makes a specified finding. By adding to the duties of the public water system, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.</p>	<p><b>Int.</b> 02/23/2009 <b>Location:</b> 08/31/2010-S DEAD <b>Status:</b> 08/31/2010-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(17). (Last location was APPR. SUSPENSE FILE on 8/27/2009)</p>	<p><b>WRD BOARD:</b> <b>Support</b></p> <p><b>ACWA/MMWD:</b> ACWA - Support</p> <p><b>Others:</b> SUPPORT: GRA, SCWC</p>	<p>Sponsored by WaterReuse Association, AB 410 was amended to require DWR to give additional consideration to proposals for the preparation of salt and nutrient management plans consistent with the</p>
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<p><a href="#">AB 446</a> <a href="#">Niello</a></p>	<p><b>Public employees' retirement: additional retirement service credits.</b> Would require the Board of Administration of the Public Employees' Retirement System to prepare a report on its study of members who have purchased additional retirement service credit, as specified, which was prepared as part of its systemwide actuarial investigation, and to file that report with specified committees of the Legislature, the Director of Finance, the Director of the Department of Personnel Administration, and the Legislative Analyst by February 1, 2010.</p>	<p>Int. 02/24/2009 <b>Location:</b> 08/31/2010-S DEAD <b>Status:</b> 08/31/2010-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(17). (Last location was RLS. on 6/4/2009)</p>	<p><b>STAFF RECOMMENDATION:</b> Watch <b>ACWA/MWWD:</b> <b>Others:</b></p>	<p>recycled water policy of the Sate Board and increase the recycled water goals. Requires the administrators of CalPERS to prepare a report for the legislature, by February 1, 2010, on the use of the additional retirement service credits (ARSC), as specified.</p>
<p><a href="#">AB 737</a> <a href="#">Chesbro</a></p>	<p><b>Solid waste: diversion.</b> Would require the department, by January 1, 2013, to report to the Legislature on the current diversion rate in the state and provide strategies to increase the diversion rate to 75% by 2020. The bill would repeal this requirement on January 1, 2017. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.</p>	<p>Int. 02/26/2009 <b>Location:</b> 09/28/2010-A VETOED <b>Status:</b> 09/28/2010-Vetoed by the Governor</p>	<p><b>STAFF RECOMMENDATION:</b> Watch <b>ACWA/MWWD:</b> ACWA - Watch <b>Others:</b></p>	<p>All public water systems are required to notify their customers when a violation of a water regulation has occurred. This bill adds the posting of the information to the agencies' website. WRD is not considered a "public water system." Bill also requires the Dept of Toxic Substances Control to establish a Toxics Information Clearinghouse for the collection, maintenance, and distribution of specific chemical hazard traits and environmental and toxicological end-point data.</p>
<p><a href="#">AB 1274</a> <a href="#">Huber</a></p>	<p><b>Political Reform Act of 1974: lobbyists.</b> Would require lobbyists who are required to file</p>	<p>Int. 02/27/2009 <b>Location:</b> 08/31/2010-S DEAD</p>	<p><b>STAFF RECOMMENDATION:</b></p>	<p>This bill would require that lobbyists, lobbying</p>

<p><a href="#">AB 1507</a> <a href="#">Lieu</a></p>	<p>periodic reports with the Secretary of State to include the specific bill numbers lobbied on during the reporting period. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.</p>	<p><b>Status:</b> 08/31/2010-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(17). (Last location was APPR. SUSPENSE FILE on 8/27/2009)</p>	<p><b>Watch</b> <b>ACWA/MWD:</b> ACWA - Watch <b>Others:</b></p>	<p>firms, and lobbyist employers file specific bill numbers lobbied on during the reporting period.</p>
<p><a href="#">AB 1507</a> <a href="#">Lieu</a></p>	<p><b>Motor vehicle greenhouse gas emission reduction projects.</b> Would require the State Air Resources Board, by July 1, 2011, to revise project guidelines, for a project that reduces greenhouse gas emissions, to allow funds from specified programs and funding sources to be used for a project also funded under the Carl Moyer Memorial Air Quality Standards Attainment Program without those additional public funds being factored into the criteria emission reduction cost-effectiveness calculations under that program.</p>	<p><b>Int.</b> 02/27/2009 <b>Location:</b> 09/30/2010-A CHAPTERD <b>Status:</b> 09/30/2010-Chaptered by the Secretary of State, Chapter Number 571, Statutes of 2010</p>	<p><b>STAFF RECOMMENDATION:</b> <b>Watch</b> <b>ACWA/MWD:</b> <b>Others:</b></p>	<p>Renames the Chrome Plating Pollution Prevention Fund as the Chrome Plating and Metal Finishing Pollution Prevention Grant Program to be administered by DTSC. Authorize grants capped at 50% of the project cost or \$75,000, whichever is less, to metal plating facilities to be used for pollution prevention improvements. Chrome plating facilities are notorious polluters because of all the chemicals and equipment they have to use. WRD priority list of groundwater contamination sites mostly consists of chrome plating facilities, refineries, and chemical distribution/storage facilities.</p>
<p><a href="#">AB 1594</a> <a href="#">Huber</a></p>	<p><b>Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta: peripheral canal.</b> Would prohibit the construction of a peripheral canal, as defined, that conveys water from a diversion point in the Sacramento River to a location south of the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta, unless expressly authorized by the Legislature. The bill would require the Legislative Analyst's Office to complete an</p>	<p><b>Int.</b> 01/04/2010 <b>Location:</b> 05/12/2010-A DEAD <b>Status:</b> 05/07/2010-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(6). (Last location was W.,P. &amp; W. on 4/27/2010)</p>	<p><b>STAFF RECOMMENDATION:</b> <b>Oppose</b> <b>ACWA/MWD:</b> MWD - Oppose ACWA - Oppose</p>	<p>DEAD. AB 1594 seems to be a response to statements made by the Governor and DWR regarding their authority over construction of a</p>

	<p>economic feasibility analysis prior to the enactment of a statute authorizing the construction of a peripheral canal. The bill would prohibit the construction and operation of a peripheral canal from diminishing or negatively affecting the water supplies, water rights, or quality of water for water users within the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta watershed , or imposing any new burdens on infrastructure within, or financial burdens on persons residing in, the Delta or the Delta watershed .</p>		<p><b>Others:</b>  <b>OPPOSE:</b> Alameda County WD, Castaic Lake Water Agency, Burbank Water and Power, Coachella Valley WD, Cucamonga Valley WD, Desert Water Agency, East Valley WD, Friar Water Authority, IEUA, Irvine Ranch WD, Kern County Water Agency, MWDOC, Rancho California WD, San Diego Water Authority, Santa Clara Valley WD, SCWC, State Water Contractors, Three Valleys MWD, Valley Ag Water Coalition, West Basin MWD, Westlands WD</p>	<p>peripheral canal. Authority already exists for DWR to construct a delta facility under the Burns-Porter Act without need for further legislative authorization. An Attorney General Advice Letter from 1984 supports that existing authority. There is no need for the Legislative Analysts Office to perform an economic feasibility analysis for a delta facility as that work is already in progress in the Bay Delta Conservation Plan process.</p>
<p><u>AB 1666</u> <u>Swanson</u></p>	<p><b>Local government: whistleblower hotline.</b>  Would specify that a city, county, or city and county auditor or controller may maintain the whistleblower hotline to receive calls from persons who have information regarding fraud, waste, or abuse, and would define those terms. The bill would also authorize the auditor or controller to provide a copy of a substantiated audit report or investigation to the appropriate appointing authority for disciplinary purposes, as specified.</p>	<p><b>Int.</b> 01/20/2010  <b>Location:</b> 07/16/2010-A CHAPTERD  <b>Status:</b> 07/15/2010-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 80, Statutes of 2010.</p>	<p><b>STAFF RECOMMENDATION:</b>  <b>Watch</b>  <b>ACWA/MWD:</b>  ACWA - Watch  <b>Others:</b></p>	<p>Amends the California Family Rights Act to allow employees to take up to 12 weeks of unpaid medical leave. Author is seeking protections for people who might contract something like H1N1.</p>
<p><u>AB 1667</u> <u>Swanson</u></p>	<p><b>Public employment: County of Alameda.</b>  Would authorize the Board of Supervisors of the County of Alameda, by resolution adopted by majority vote as part of any negotiated memorandum of understanding with a bargaining unit that represents safety employees, to require a safety</p>	<p><b>Int.</b> 01/20/2010  <b>Location:</b> 07/16/2010-A CHAPTERD  <b>Status:</b> 07/15/2010-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter</p>	<p><b>STAFF RECOMMENDATION:</b>  <b>Watch</b>  <b>ACWA/MWD:</b>  ACWA - Watch</p>	<p>Adds seriously ill siblings to the list of family members that an employee can take job protected leave to care for under the California</p>

<p>AB 1674 Saldana</p>	<p>employee of that bargaining unit or unrepresented safety employee hired after approval of the resolution, to elect in writing a permanent choice between 2 specified pension calculations, as specified. The bill would also authorize the board to adopt a resolution by majority vote to provide a different formula or calculation of retirement benefits for new members of other safety bargaining units or other unrepresented safety employees hired after approval of the resolution, as specified, or to provide a different formula or calculation of safety retirement benefits for new safety members in one bargaining unit than that which is provided for new safety members of other bargaining units or new unrepresented safety members. This bill contains other related provisions.</p>	<p>81, Statutes of 2010.</p>	<p><b>Others:</b></p>	<p>Family Rights Act.</p>
<p>AB 1674 Fuentes</p>	<p><b>Hazardous substances: storage tanks.</b> with respect to the criteria that an underground storage tank is required to meet for an exemption, would delete the requirement that the board not object to the local agency's determination. To qualify for the exemption, the bill also would provide that if the underground storage tank is installed on or after July 1, 2003, the local agency would be required to determine that the tank meets or exceeds the requirements for underground storage tanks installed after January 1, 1984, except for certain in lieu conditions for motor vehicle fuel tanks, and that any portion of a vent line, vapor recovery line, or fill pipe that is beneath the surface of the ground is subject to regulation as a pipe. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.</p>	<p><b>Int. 01/20/2010</b> <b>Location:</b> 09/29/2010-A CHAPTERED <b>Status:</b> 09/29/2010-Chaptered by the Secretary of State, Chapter Number 535, Statutes of 2010</p>	<p><b>STAFF RECOMMENDATION:</b> Watch <b>ACWA/MMWD:</b> <b>Others:</b> WATCH - GRA, CMUA</p>	
<p>AB 1676 Fuentes</p>	<p><b>Elected officials: residency requirements.</b> Would require that a person elected to a nonjudicial public office for a county, city, or school district, maintain his or her domicile, as defined, within the jurisdiction within which voters are qualified to vote for the office during his or her term of office. The bill would require a person who violates this provision to immediately forfeit his or her office and would disqualify the person from holding any state or local</p>	<p><b>Int. 01/21/2010</b> <b>Location:</b> 08/31/2010-S ASSEMBLY <b>Status:</b> 08/31/2010-Withdrawn from committee. Ordered to third reading. Read third time. Urgency clause adopted. Passed and to Assembly. (Ayes 28. Noes</p>	<p><b>STAFF RECOMMENDATION:</b> Watch <b>ACWA/MMWD:</b> ACWA - Watch <b>Others:</b></p>	

	<p>public office for a period of 4 years. As to persons serving terms of office that commence on or after November 2, 2010, the bill would also make a violation of the domicile requirement punishable by either a civil penalty not to exceed \$1,000 or a fine not to exceed \$1,000, imprisonment in a county jail for no more than 6 months, or by both fine and imprisonment, if it is established that the officeholder moved his or her domicile out of the jurisdiction of the office with the intent of retaining the office and misleading the voters within the jurisdiction to believe that he or she maintains his or her domicile within the jurisdiction of the office. The bill would authorize enforcement of its provisions by the Attorney General or the district attorney of a county for a violation involving a nonjudicial public office whose territory is located wholly or partially within that county. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.</p>			
<p><u>AB 1677</u> <u>Caballero</u></p>	<p><b>Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta.</b> Would delete the Secretary of the Interior as the appointing entity and would, instead, designate the Secretary of Commerce as the appointing entity. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.</p>	<p><b>Int.</b> 01/25/2010 <b>Location:</b> 07/07/2010-A CHAPTERD <b>Status:</b> 07/07/2010-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 39, Statutes of 2010.</p>	<p><b>STAFF RECOMMENDATION:</b> Watch <b>ACWA/MWD:</b> MWD - Watch ACWA - Watch <b>Others:</b> WATCH - GRA, CMUA</p>	<p>Chaptered. Provides nonsubstantive and technical changes related to the Delta Protection Commission and the Delta Conservancy portions to chaptered SBx7-1 (Simitian, 2009)</p>
<p><u>AB 1692</u> <u>Berryhill, Bill</u></p>	<p><b>General Fund: fines.</b> Would require, notwithstanding any other law, that any fine or penalty imposed by the Department of Toxic Substances Control, the State Air Resources Board, or the State Water Resources Control Board for a violation of a regulation adopted by that state agency be deposited into the General Fund. The bill would also make a statement of findings.</p>	<p><b>Int.</b> 01/27/2010 <b>Location:</b> 04/23/2010-A DEAD <b>Status:</b> 04/23/2010-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(5). (Last location was NAT. RES. on 4/12/2010)</p>	<p><b>STAFF RECOMMENDATION:</b> Watch <b>ACWA/MWD:</b> <b>Others:</b> WATCH: GRA</p>	<p>Inactive.</p>
<p><u>AB 1704</u> <u>Jeffries</u></p>	<p><b>Environment: CEQA: exemption.</b> Would impose a state-mandated local program. This bill contains other related provisions and other</p>	<p><b>Int.</b> 02/01/2010 <b>Location:</b> 04/23/2010-A DEAD <b>Status:</b> 04/23/2010-Failed</p>	<p><b>STAFF RECOMMENDATION:</b> Watch</p>	<p>Inactive. This measure would eliminate the CEQA</p>

<p><a href="#">AB 1727</a> <a href="#">Gilmore</a></p>	<p>existing laws.</p>	<p>Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(5). (Last location was NAT. RES. on 4/20/2010)</p>	<p><b>ACWA/MWD:</b> ACWA - Support</p> <p><b>Others:</b> SUPPORT - Associated Builders and Contractors of Calif, Eastern MWD WATCH - GRA, CMUA OPPOSE - American Lung Assoc, Audubon Calif, Calif Employment Lawyers Assoc, League of Conservation Voters, Calif Native Plan Society, Center for Biological Diversity, Coastwalk Calif, Consumer Attorneys of Calif, Defenders of Wildlife, Environment Calif, Forests Forever, Friends of the Earth, NRDC, Pacific Forest Trust, PCL, Sierra Club California, Trust for Public Land</p>	<p>requirement for the installation of recycled water pipelines in public streets. According to the author, the exemption is intended to reduce costs associated with environmental review and expedite projects. Opponents contend that water pipeline projects may have significant environmental effects which are appropriate to review and mitigate pursuant to CEQA.</p>
<p><a href="#">AB 1727</a> <a href="#">Gilmore</a></p>	<p><b>Water quality: mandatory minimum civil penalties.</b> Under existing law, the State Water Resources Control Board and the California regional water quality control boards prescribe waste discharge requirements in accordance with the federal Clean Water Act and the Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act (state act). The state act, with certain exceptions, imposes a mandatory minimum penalty of \$3,000 for each serious waste discharge violation or for certain other described violations if those</p>	<p><b>Int.</b> 02/03/2010 <b>Location:</b> 05/12/2010-A DEAD <b>Status:</b> 05/07/2010-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(6). (Last location was PRINT on 2/3/2010)</p>	<p><b>STAFF RECOMMENDATION:</b> Watch</p> <p><b>ACWA/MWD:</b> ACWA - Watch</p> <p><b>Others:</b> WATCH - GRA, CMUA</p>	<p>Inactive.</p>

<p><a href="#">AB 1728</a> <a href="#">Gillmore</a></p>	<p>violations occur 4 or more times in any period of 6 consecutive months, as prescribed. Civil liability may be imposed administratively by the state board or a regional board or those boards may request the Attorney General to petition the superior court to impose the liability. This bill would make technical, nonsubstantive changes to that provision.</p> <p><b>Mandatory minimum civil penalties: automatic composite sampler.</b> Would provide a publicly owned treatment works with the option of using an automatic composite sampler, in lieu of grab samples, to collect representative samples for monitoring constituents that are subject to the mandatory minimum penalties.</p>	<p>Int. 02/03/2010 <b>Location:</b> 06/04/2010-A DEAD <b>Status:</b> 06/04/2010-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(11). (Last location was E.S. &amp; T.M. on 4/27/2010)</p>	<p><b>STAFF RECOMMENDATION:</b> Watch <b>ACWA/MWD:</b> ACWA - Watch <b>Others:</b></p>	<p>Inactive.</p>
<p><a href="#">AB 1774</a> <a href="#">Saldana</a></p>	<p><b>Recycled water: state agency landscape irrigation.</b> Would state legislative findings and declarations that the use of potable domestic water for the irrigation of landscaping generally is a waste or an unreasonable use of water if recycled water is available for that use, as determined by the board. The bill would authorize a public agency, including local public agencies, to require a state agency whose property is located within the jurisdiction of the public agency to use recycled water for landscape irrigation of the property of that state agency if certain requirements are met.</p>	<p>Int. 02/09/2010 <b>Location:</b> 07/02/2010-S DEAD <b>Status:</b> 07/02/2010-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(13). (Last location was N.R. &amp; W. on 6/10/2010)</p>	<p><b>WRD BOARD:</b> Support <b>ACWA/MWD:</b> MWD - Support/Amend ACWA - Favor <b>Others:</b> SUPPORT - San Diego Water Authority (sponsor), GRA, Desert Water Agency, East Bay MUD, El Dorado Irrigation District, SCWC, WaterReuse WATCH - LBWD</p>	<p>Requires state agencies to use recycled water for landscape irrigation if a local agency makes recycled water available under certain conditions.</p>
<p><a href="#">AB 1793</a> <a href="#">Saldana</a></p>	<p><b>Common interest developments: artificial turf.</b> Would provide that a provision of any of the governing documents of a common interest development would be void and unenforceable if it prohibits, or includes conditions that have the effect of prohibiting, the use of artificial turf or any other synthetic surface that resembles grass. This prohibition would not prohibit an association from</p>	<p>Int. 02/10/2010 <b>Location:</b> 09/30/2010-A VETOED <b>Status:</b> 09/30/2010-Vetoed by the Governor</p>	<p><b>WRD BOARD:</b> Support <b>ACWA/MWD:</b> MWD - Support ACWA - Favor <b>Others:</b></p>	<p>AB 1793 is in response to San Diego County residents in Assemblymember Saldana's district who have been receiving some resistance from their HOAs when</p>

<p><u>AB 1818</u> <u>Blumenfeld</u></p>	<p>applying landscape rules and regulations established in governing documents that establish design standards and quality standards for the installation of artificial turf, or any other synthetic surface that resembles grass, to the extent the rules and regulations do not prohibit the use of artificial turf or any other synthetic surface that resembles grass. This bill contains other existing laws.</p>		<p><b>SUPPORT - San Diego Water Authority</b> (sponsor), SCWC, MWD <b>WATCH - GRA, LBWD</b></p>	<p>applying to install artificial turf. Last year, WRD supported AB 1061 (Lieu) which clarified that water conservations ordinances and regulations adopted by local governments and water districts take precedence over the governing documents of an HOA/CID (common interest development) association. This bill would add the use of artificial turf to those provisions.</p>
<p><u>AB 1834</u> <u>Solorio</u></p>	<p><b>Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy: Upper Los Angeles River and Watershed Protection Program.</b> Would establish the Upper Los Angeles River and Watershed Protection Program. The program would be administered by the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy to address the resource protection, public recreation, water conservation, and water quality goals of the Upper Los Angeles River watershed in a coordinated, comprehensive, and effective way. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.</p>	<p><b>Int.</b> 02/11/2010 <b>Location:</b> 06/04/2010-A DEAD <b>Status:</b> 06/04/2010-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(11). (Last location was APPR. SUSPENSE FILE on 5/28/2010)</p>	<p><b>STAFF RECOMMENDATION:</b> <b>Watch</b> <b>ACWA/MWD:</b> <b>Others:</b> WATCH - GRA</p>	<p>Inactive.</p>
<p><u>AB 1834</u> <u>Solorio</u></p>	<p><b>Rainwater Capture Act of 2010.</b> Would enact the Rainwater Capture Act of 2010, which would authorize a landowner to install, maintain, and operate, on the landowner's property, a rainwater capture system meeting specified requirements. The bill would authorize a public agency to lead a statewide stakeholder process to consider and address issues arising out of expansion of rainwater and stormwater capture. The bill would require participants in the stakeholder process to be responsible for costs incurred as a result of their participation and would require the initiating public</p>	<p><b>Int.</b> 02/12/2010 <b>Location:</b> 09/30/2010-A VETOED <b>Status:</b> 09/30/2010-Vetoed by the Governor</p>	<p><b>STAFF RECOMMENDATION:</b> <b>Watch</b> <b>ACWA/MWD:</b> ACWA - Not Favor Unless Amended MWD - Support <b>Others:</b> WATCH - GRA, WaterReuse</p>	<p>Allows a landowner to install a rainwater recapture system to irrigate landscaping or recharge groundwater.</p>

<p><a href="#">AB 1843 Gilmore</a></p>	<p>agency to be responsible for specified costs. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.</p> <p><b>Water supply security: reports.</b> Would require the California Office of Homeland Security to submit confidential reports to the Legislature regarding the current security status of the state's existing drinking water systems and facilities, with a special focus on any vulnerability to terrorist attacks and recommended actions necessary to bring the security status to acceptable levels.</p>	<p>Int. 02/12/2010 <b>Location:</b> 04/23/2010-A DEAD <b>Status:</b> 04/23/2010-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(5). (Last location was G.O. on 3/4/2010)</p>	<p><b>STAFF RECOMMENDATION:</b> Watch <b>ACWA/MWD:</b> <b>Others:</b> WATCH - GRA</p>	<p>Inactive.</p>
<p><a href="#">AB 1884 Galgiani</a></p>	<p><b>Local water supply projects: inventory.</b> Would require the department to conduct a statewide inventory of local regional water supply projects and post the results of the inventory on the department's Internet Web site by January 1, 2012.</p>	<p>Int. 02/16/2010 <b>Location:</b> 04/23/2010-A DEAD <b>Status:</b> 04/23/2010-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(5). (Last location was W.,P. &amp; W. on 2/25/2010)</p>	<p><b>STAFF RECOMMENDATION:</b> Watch <b>ACWA/MWD:</b> <b>Others:</b></p>	<p>Inactive.</p>
<p><a href="#">AB 1955 De La Torre</a></p>	<p><b>Local government: compensation.</b> Would require the Controller to determine, based on a review of public records or reported salary information, whether a city is an excess compensation city, as defined. The bill would authorize a city to request a hearing, as specified, to contest the Controller's determination. The bill would require the Controller, if the city does not request a hearing or if the Attorney General concurs with the Controller's determination after a hearing, to notify the city and the redevelopment agency in the city of the city's status as an excess compensation city, as prescribed. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.</p>	<p>Int. 02/17/2010 <b>Location:</b> 08/31/2010-S THIRD READING <b>Status:</b> 08/31/2010-Withdrawn from committee. Ordered to third reading. Read third time. Urgency clause refused adoption. (Ayes 15. Noes 19. Page 5098.) Motion to reconsider made by Senator Florez. Reconsideration granted. (Ayes 37. Noes 0. Page 5099.) <b>10/07/10 144 SEN ASSEMBLY BILLS-THIRD READING FILE</b></p>	<p><b>WRD BOARD:</b> Oppose <b>ACWA/MWD:</b> <b>Others:</b> SUPPORT - CBMWD (if amended)</p>	<p>Bill has been gutted and replaced with language related to local public employee compensation and disclosure. Measure requires that individual employment contracts with the legislative body of the local agency be ratified in an open session of the legislative body. Requires posting of contract's compensation information on the agency's website 7 days prior to ratification of the contract.</p>
<p><a href="#">AB 2107 Fuller</a></p>	<p><b>State Water Pollution Control Revolving Fund.</b> Existing law continuously appropriates state and federal funds in the State Water Pollution Control Revolving Fund to the State Water Resources</p>	<p>Int. 02/18/2010 <b>Location:</b> 05/12/2010-A DEAD <b>Status:</b> 05/07/2010-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule</p>	<p><b>STAFF RECOMMENDATION:</b> Watch</p>	<p>Inactive.</p>

<p><a href="#">AB 2108</a> <a href="#">Fuller</a></p>	<p>Control Board for loans and other financial assistance for the construction of publicly owned treatment works by a municipality and other eligible projects in accordance with the federal Clean Water Act. This bill would make technical, nonsubstantive changes to the provision that establishes the fund.</p> <p><b>State Water Pollution Control Revolving Fund</b> <b>Small Community Grant Fund.</b> Existing law establishes the State Water Pollution Control Revolving Fund Small Community Grant Fund in the State Treasury. Moneys in the fund, upon appropriation by the Legislature to the State Water Resources Control Board, may be expended for grant for specified water quality projects that serve small communities with priority given to projects that serve severely disadvantaged communities. Existing law defines "small communities" to include a municipality with a population of 20,000 persons or fewer, with a financial hardship, as determined by the state board. This bill would make a technical, nonsubstantive change to that provision.</p>	<p>61(b)(6). (Last location was PRINT on 2/18/2010)</p>	<p><b>ACWA/MWD:</b> ACWA - Watch <b>Others:</b></p>	
<p><a href="#">AB 2108</a> <a href="#">Fuller</a></p>	<p><b>State Water Pollution Control Revolving Fund</b> <b>Small Community Grant Fund.</b> Existing law establishes the State Water Pollution Control Revolving Fund Small Community Grant Fund in the State Treasury. Moneys in the fund, upon appropriation by the Legislature to the State Water Resources Control Board, may be expended for grant for specified water quality projects that serve small communities with priority given to projects that serve severely disadvantaged communities. Existing law defines "small communities" to include a municipality with a population of 20,000 persons or fewer, with a financial hardship, as determined by the state board. This bill would make a technical, nonsubstantive change to that provision.</p>	<p>Int. 02/18/2010 <b>Location:</b> 05/12/2010-A DEAD <b>Status:</b> 05/07/2010-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(6). (Last location was PRINT on 2/18/2010)</p>	<p><b>STAFF RECOMMENDATION:</b> Watch <b>ACWA/MWD:</b> ACWA - Watch <b>Others:</b></p>	<p>Inactive.</p>
<p><a href="#">AB 2163</a> <a href="#">Mendoza</a></p>	<p><b>Forest practices: timber harvesting plans.</b> Would in addition, allow up to a maximum of 4 one-year extensions, including any other extension granted prior to January 1, 2010, under those same conditions for a plan that was extended in 2008 or 2009. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.</p>	<p>Int. 02/18/2010 <b>Location:</b> 09/27/2010-A CHAPTERED <b>Status:</b> 09/27/2010-Chaptered by the Secretary of State, Chapter Number 376, Statutes of 2010</p>	<p><b>STAFF RECOMMENDATION:</b> Watch <b>ACWA/MWD:</b> ACWA - Watch <b>Others:</b></p>	<p>Spot bill.</p>
<p><a href="#">AB 2182</a> <a href="#">Huffman</a></p>	<p><b>Contractual assessments: onsite sewer and septic improvements.</b> Would expand these provisions to include contractual assessments to finance onsite sewer and septic improvements, as defined. The bill would permit onsite sewer and septic improvements to be installed to convert residential, commercial, industrial, agricultural, or other real property from an onsite septic system to community sewer collection service and to modify or replace existing onsite sewer and septic improvements. The bill would also</p>	<p>Int. 02/18/2010 <b>Location:</b> 09/30/2010-A VETOED <b>Status:</b> 09/30/2010-Vetoed by the Governor</p>	<p><b>WRD BOARD:</b> Support <b>ACWA/MWD:</b> ACWA - Support MWD - Support <b>Others:</b> SUPPORT: Irvine Ranch WD (sponsor), ACWA, Western</p>	

<p><b>AB 2304</b> <b>Huffman</b></p>	<p>permit these assessments to be used to replace or upgrade an existing septic system if specified requirements are met. The bill would also prohibit a public agency from permitting a property owner to participate in a contractual assessment program if the total amount of assessments and taxes on the property exceeds 5% of the property's market value, as specified. The bill would require the preliminary report issued in connection with the contractual assessment program to include criteria for determining the underwriting requirements, as well as safeguards to be used to limit the total annual property tax and assessments on the property, as specified.</p>		<p>MWD, Eastern MWD, East Bay MUD, CASA, CSDA, IEUA, Three Valleys MWD, CMUA</p>	
	<p><b>Groundwater management plans: components.</b> Would require the local agency to provide a copy of a resolution of intention to the Department of Water Resources within 30 days of the date of adoption. The bill would require the local agency, upon written request, to provide a copy of the proposed groundwater management plan to an interested person. The bill would require the local agency to provide each of those interested persons with a specified notice at least 30 days prior to the commencement of the 2nd hearing to determine whether to adopt the plan. The bill would require the department to post on its Internet Web site the information the department possesses regarding the local agencies that have jurisdiction to develop groundwater management plans. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.</p>	<p><b>Int.</b> 02/19/2010 <b>Location:</b> 09/30/2010-A VETOED <b>Status:</b> 09/30/2010-Vetoed by the Governor</p>	<p><b>WRD BOARD:</b> <b>Support</b></p> <p><b>ACWA/MWD:</b> MWD - Support ACWA - Watch</p> <p><b>Others:</b> <b>SUPPORT:</b> GRA/CGC (sponsor), CA Coastkeeper Alliance, Santa Clara Valley WD, Sierra Club CA, Sonoma County, MWD</p> <p><b>OPPOSE:</b> CA Building Industry Assoc (unless amended), CA Chamber (unless amended), CA Cattleman's Assoc (unless amended), CA Farm Bureau Fed (unless amended), Western Growers Assoc (unless amended)</p>	<p>This bill is a step towards protecting valuable recharge facilities by adding the protection of such areas to the list of components of a groundwater management plan.</p>

<p><a href="#">AB 2422</a> <a href="#">Berryhill, Tom</a></p>	<p><b>Urban water demand management: model water efficient landscape ordinance: scientific panel.</b> Would require the department, on or before July 1, 2011, to convene an expert scientific panel to review, and provide recommendations for, updates to the model water efficient landscape ordinance and proposed rules, regulations, and guidelines relating to urban residential water demand management. The bill would prescribe the membership of the panel and requirements for the panel's review and recommendation functions. The bill would require the department to submit specified proposed updates, rules, regulations, and guidelines to the panel and to consider the panel's findings and recommendations and take specified actions based on those findings and recommendations. The bill would authorize the department to reimburse members of the panel for expenses incurred pursuant to these provisions upon the appropriation of funds by the Legislature for that purpose. This bill contains other existing laws.</p>	<p>Int. 02/19/2010 <b>Location:</b> 04/23/2010-A DEAD <b>Status:</b> 04/23/2010-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(5). (Last location was W., P. &amp; W. on 4/13/2010)</p>	<p><b>STAFF RECOMMENDATION:</b> Watch <b>ACWA/MWD:</b> <b>Others:</b></p>	<p>Inactive.</p>
<p><a href="#">AB 2554</a> <a href="#">Brownley</a></p>	<p><b>Los Angeles County Flood Control District: fees and charges.</b> Would authorize the district to impose a fee or charge, in compliance with Article XIII D of the California Constitution, to pay the costs and expenses of carrying out projects and providing services to improve water quality and reduce stormwater and urban runoff pollution in the district in accordance with specified criteria. The bill would require that any fees imposed be levied and collected together with taxes for county purposes, and the revenues paid into the county treasury to the credit of the district. The bill would require the county board of supervisors to expend the funds to pay for those costs and expenses, to be allocated as prescribed. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.</p>	<p>Int. 02/19/2010 <b>Location:</b> 09/30/2010-A CHAPTERED <b>Status:</b> 09/30/2010-Chaptered by the Secretary of State, Chapter Number 602, Statutes of 2010</p>	<p><b>STAFF RECOMMENDATION:</b> Watch <b>ACWA/MWD:</b> <b>Others:</b></p>	
<p><a href="#">AB 2583</a> <a href="#">Hall</a></p>	<p><b>Water treatment: hazardous materials.</b> Would require Cal EMA, by January 1, 2013, to adopt regulations to require a public water system or wastewater treatment plant that is a stationary</p>	<p>Int. 02/19/2010 <b>Location:</b> 06/04/2010-A DEAD <b>Status:</b> 06/04/2010-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule</p>	<p><b>STAFF RECOMMENDATION:</b> Watch</p>	<p>Dead. This bill may have been introduced out of concern of terrorism risks from</p>

<p><a href="#">AB 2679</a> <a href="#">Enq</a></p>	<p>source and is required to prepare and submit an RMP to additionally consider the use of safer technologies by the public water system or wastewater treatment plant in that RMP. Because a violation of CalARP is a crime, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program by creating a new crime. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.</p>	<p>61(b)(11). (Last location was APPR. SUSPENSE FILE on 5/28/2010)</p>	<p><b>ACWA/MWD:</b> MWD - Oppose Unless Amended ACWA - Oppose</p> <p><b>Others:</b> <b>SUPPORT:</b> Greenpeace, CA Teamsters Public Affairs Council, Sierra Club <b>OPPOSE:</b> ACWA, MWD, American Chemistry Council, CASA, Calleguas MWD, El Dorado Irrigation District</p>	<p>chlorine gas. WRD does not use chlorine gas.</p>
<p><a href="#">ACA 4</a></p>	<p><b>Public buildings: energy and water: consumption reductions.</b> Would require all public buildings, as defined to be state public buildings, to conform to a 10 -year compliance schedule to achieve reductions in energy and water consumption and to maintain specified water and energy reduction levels on and after January 1, 2025. The bill would require all newly constructed public buildings to have net zero energy consumption or be grid neutral on and after January 1, 2030. The bill would require, on or before January 1, 2013, each public entity operating a public building to provide to the Department of General Services a certified onsite assessment of the facility's energy and water consumption levels. The bill would require applicable public entities to adopt and implement processes outlined in the Green Building Action Plan and to ensure that these processes are consistent with other efficiency measures outlined in existing law. The bill would impose a reporting requirement on the Department of General Services with respect to the attainment of the energy consumption and water use reduction targets.</p> <p><b>State finance reform.</b></p>	<p>Int. 02/19/2010 <b>Location:</b> 06/04/2010-A DEAD <b>Status:</b> 06/04/2010-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(11). (Last location was APPR. SUSPENSE FILE on 5/19/2010)</p>	<p><b>STAFF</b> <b>RECOMMENDATION:</b> <b>Watch</b></p> <p><b>ACWA/MWD:</b> ACWA - Watch</p> <p><b>Others:</b></p>	<p>Inactive. Spot bill. Author would like to develop language to provide for tiered system to reduce energy and water use in the public sector.</p>
	<p><b>Int. 12/03/2008</b></p>	<p><b>STAFF</b></p>		<p>Constitutional</p>

<p><a href="#">Feuer</a></p>	<p>Would require that an initiative measure that would result in a net increase in state or local government costs, other than costs attributable to the issuance, sale, or repayment of bonds authorized by the measure, or a net decrease in state revenue, which net increase or net decrease exceeds \$25,000,000 annually, as adjusted for inflation, as jointly determined by the Legislative Analyst and Director of Finance, may not be submitted to the electors or have any effect unless and until the Legislative Analyst and the Director of Finance jointly determine that the initiative measure provides for additional revenues in an amount that meets or exceeds the net increase in costs. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.</p>	<p><b>Location:</b> 10/07/2010-S SENATE <b>Status:</b> 10/07/2010-Action From DEAD: Passed Assembly to SENATE.</p>	<p><b>RECOMMENDATION:</b> Watch <b>ACWA/MWD:</b> <b>Others:</b></p>	<p>amendment to address the 2/3 votes requirement for budget bills. Requires voter approval.</p>
<p><a href="#">AJR 26</a> <a href="#">Chesbro</a></p>	<p><b>Climate change.</b> Would request the Congress of the United States to establish a comprehensive framework, including dedicated funding, for adapting our nation's wildlife, habitats, coasts, watersheds, rivers, and other natural resources and ecosystems to the impacts of climate change.</p>	<p><b>Int.</b> 09/09/2009 <b>Location:</b> 08/30/2010-A CHAPTERED <b>Status:</b> 08/30/2010-Chaptered by the Secretary of State, Chapter Number 114, Statutes of 2010</p>	<p><b>STAFF RECOMMENDATION:</b> Watch <b>ACWA/MWD:</b> <b>Others:</b> WATCH - GRA</p>	
<p><a href="#">SB 22</a> <a href="#">Simitian</a></p>	<p><b>Hazardous materials: toxic substances.</b> Would additionally authorize the office to recommend procedures for expediting the review and identification of hazard traits, including pending and proposed actions by other states, the federal government, and other nations to limit hazardous materials in products. This bill contains other existing laws.</p>	<p><b>Int.</b> 12/01/2008 <b>Location:</b> 08/31/2010-A DEAD <b>Status:</b> 08/31/2010-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(17). (Last location was APPR. SUSPENSE FILE on 8/5/2010)</p>	<p><b>STAFF RECOMMENDATION:</b> Watch <b>ACWA/MWD:</b> ACWA - Watch <b>Others:</b></p>	<p>This bill clarifies the authority of the Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment (OEHA) regarding procedures to expedite review and identification of hazard traits of chemical ingredients in products. According to the author's office, this is a clean-up measure to grant 1 additional authorization to OEHA to allow them to carry out its purpose. The author will be working with the Department to determine</p>

<p><a href="#">SB 261</a> <a href="#">Dutton</a></p>	<p><b>Water use: water management plans.</b> Would require a retail urban water supplier, as defined, to develop and implement an urban water conservation plan, including prescribed components, or achieve high-efficiency water use, as defined. The bill would impose various requirements for the contents of these plans, and would require a retail urban water supplier to update its water conservation plan on a specified schedule. The retail urban water supplier or other specified entities acting on behalf of the retail urban water supplier, would be required to submit reports for purposes of determining progress towards achieving a prescribed water conservation goal. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.</p>	<p><b>Int. 02/24/2009</b> <b>Location:</b> 08/13/2010-A DEAD <b>Status:</b> 08/13/2010-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(14). (Last location was APPR. SUSPENSE FILE on 8/19/2009)</p>	<p><b>STAFF RECOMMENDATION:</b> <b>Watch</b></p> <p><b>ACWA/MWD:</b> ACWA - Support MWD - Support if Amended</p> <p><b>Others:</b> WATCH: SCWC, CMUA, LBWD</p>	<p>the specific needs of this office.</p> <p>Dead. 1 of several 20% conservation by 2020 measures. Sponsored by SAWPA/ACWA</p>
<p><a href="#">SB 457</a> <a href="#">Wolk</a></p>	<p><b>Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta.</b> Would revise and recast the provisions of the act to, among other things, reduce the number of members to 15 members, as specified. The bill would require the commission to conduct its meetings in compliance with the Ralph M. Brown Act. The bill would require the commission to appoint at least one advisory committee consisting of representatives from specified entities to provide input regarding the diverse interests within the delta. The bill would require the commission to adopt, not later than July 1, 2011, a comprehensive resources management plan containing specified elements and would require the commission to update the plan every 5 years. The bill would require the Delta Stewardship Council, when developing a delta plan, to take into consideration recommendations made by the commission. The bill would require all general plans of cities and counties within the delta to be consistent with the resources management plan that would be created and adopted by the commission, and the delta plan created and adopted by the Delta Stewardship Council, and thereby impose a state-mandated local program. The bill would revise and</p>	<p><b>Int. 02/26/2009</b> <b>Location:</b> 07/02/2010-A DEAD <b>Status:</b> 07/02/2010-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(13). (Last location was W., P. &amp; W. on 6/18/2009)</p>	<p><b>STAFF RECOMMENDATION:</b> <b>Watch</b></p> <p><b>ACWA/MWD:</b> MWD - Watch ACWA - Watch</p> <p><b>Others:</b></p>	<p>Dead. This bill (1) reorganizes the Delta Protection Commission; (2) requires the Delta Stewardship Council to take into consideration the Commission's recommendations in developing a delta plan; (3) requires that general plans of cities and counties within the delta be consistent with the plans created by the Commission and Stewardship Council; and (4) establishes a Delta Investment Fund.</p>

	<p>recast the process by which local government is to submit proposed general plan amendments and land use elements to ensure that the general plan is consistent with the resource management plan. The bill would require the commission to submit to the Legislature, by January 1, 2012, recommendations on the potential expansion of the primary zone. The bill would require the commission to develop a regional economic development plan for the delta region that is consistent with the delta plan. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.</p>			
<p><a href="#">SB 476</a> <a href="#">Correa</a></p>	<p><b>Environment: California Environmental Quality Act: noncompliance allegations: public comment.</b> The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) requires a lead agency, as defined, to prepare, or cause to be prepared, and certify the completion of, an environmental impact report (EIR) on a project that it proposes to carry out or approve that may have a significant effect on the environment or to adopt a negative declaration if it finds that the project will not have that effect. CEQA also requires a lead agency to prepare a mitigated negative declaration for a project that may have a significant effect on the environment if revisions in the project would avoid or mitigate that effect and there is no substantial evidence that the project, as revised, would have a significant effect on the environment. CEQA provides for a public review period for the public to review a draft EIR, proposed negative declaration, or proposed mitigated negative declaration. CEQA requires a lead agency to evaluate and respond to comments on a draft EIR, proposed negative declaration, or proposed mitigated negative declaration made during the public review period and authorizes a lead agency to evaluate and respond to comments made on a draft EIR when the comments are submitted after the public review period. CEQA requires an action or proceeding alleging noncompliance with its requirements to be based on grounds that were presented to the public agency</p>	<p>Int. 02/26/2009 <b>Location:</b> 07/02/2010-A DEAD <b>Status:</b> 07/02/2010-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(13). (Last location was NAT. RES. on 5/28/2009)</p>	<p><b>STAFF RECOMMENDATION:</b> <b>Watch</b> <b>ACWA/MMWD:</b> ACWA - Favor <b>Others:</b> <b>SUPPORT:</b> CA Business Properties Association (sponsor), Calif Chamber of Commerce</p>	<p>Sponsored by CA Business Properties Association. Clarifies CEQA provisions relating to when and how an action or objection against a project can be taken by requiring objections to be lodged prior to the close of the public hearing.</p>

	<p>orally or in writing by any person , and prohibits a person from maintaining an action or proceeding unless the person objected to the approval of the project orally or in writing, during the public comment period provided under CEQA or prior to the close of the public hearing on the project before the issuance of the notice of determination. This bill instead would prohibit these actions or proceedings unless the oral or written presentation or objection occurs during the public comment period provided under CEQA or prior to the close of the public hearing on the project before the filing, rather than issuance, of the notice of determination.</p>			
<p><a href="#">SB 501</a> <a href="#">Correa</a></p>	<p><b>Local government: compensation disclosure.</b> Would require filers , as defined, to annually file a compensation disclosure form, as specified. This bill would require the Secretary of State to develop the form, which would provide for the disclosure of, among other things, salaries and stipends , automobile and equipment allowances, and incentive and bonus payments . This bill would also require a county, city, and county, school district, special district, or joint powers agency that maintains an Internet Web site to post the information contained on the filed form on that Internet Web site, as specified. The bill would authorize a district attorney or any interested person to commence an action by mandamus to enforce the provisions of the bill, as specified. The duties imposed on local departmental agencies by the bill would create a state-mandated local program. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.</p>	<p>Int. 02/26/2009 <b>Location:</b> 10/07/2010-S THIRD READING <b>Status:</b> 10/06/2010-Action From THIRD READING: To THIRD READING. <b>10/07/10 107 SEN UNFINISHED BUSINESS</b></p>	<p><b>STAFF RECOMMENDATION:</b> <b>Watch</b> <b>ACWA/MWD:</b> <b>Others:</b></p>	<p>Currently a bill on bonds, this bill will be gutted to incorporate provisions on compensation disclosure for local government elected officials and local government employees who are required to file statements of economic interests.</p>
<p><a href="#">SB 565</a> <a href="#">Pavley</a></p>	<p><b>Water resources.</b> Would expand the exemption to other provisions relating to water use, including provisions that require the payment of fees to the State Water Resources Control Board (board) for official services relating to statements of water diversion and use. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.</p>	<p>Int. 02/27/2009 <b>Location:</b> 08/31/2010-A DEAD <b>Status:</b> 08/31/2010-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(17). (Last location was INACTIVE FILE on 8/30/2010)</p>	<p><b>STAFF RECOMMENDATION:</b> <b>Watch</b> <b>ACWA/MWD:</b> ACWA - Oppose MWD - Watch <b>Others:</b></p>	<p>This bill was stripped of language related to recycling on January 13, 2010 and replaced with language related to water rights enforcement.</p>

<p><a href="#">SB 883 Ashburn</a></p>	<p><b>Public employees' retirement: service credit.</b> The Public Employees' Retirement Law provides a comprehensive set of rights and benefits for members of the Public Employees' Retirement System based upon age, service credit, and final compensation. That law establishes retirement formulas, known as the Second Tier, modified First Tier, and First Tier, that are applicable to specified members of the retirement system. Under that law, a member who elects to be subject to Second Tier benefits shall be paid his or her accumulated contributions plus interest, subject to specified conditions. Under that law, effective January 1, 2000, a member who received service credit subject to Second Tier benefits may elect to become subject to First Tier benefits and contribution rates. That law requires a member who elects to become subject to First Tier benefits to deposit accumulated contributions the member withdrew while he or she was subject to Second Tier benefits, plus interest, as specified. This bill would make a technical, and nonsubstantive change to these provisions.</p>	<p>Int. 01/19/2010 <b>Location:</b> 06/04/2010-S DEAD <b>Status:</b> 06/04/2010-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(11). (Last location was RLS. on 2/4/2010)</p>	<p><b>STAFF RECOMMENDATION:</b> Watch  <b>ACWA/MMWD:</b> ACWA - Watch  <b>Others:</b></p>	<p>Inactive. Spot bill.</p>
<p><a href="#">SB 884 Ashburn</a></p>	<p><b>Sales and use taxes: use tax: administration.</b> Would declare that its provisions and retroactive application serve a public purpose, as specified. This bill contains other related provisions.</p>	<p>Int. 01/19/2010 <b>Location:</b> 08/09/2010-A DESK <b>Status:</b> 08/09/2010-Aug. 9 Read third time. Urgency clause adopted. Passed. (Ayes 33. Noes 0. Page 4404.) To Assembly.</p>	<p><b>STAFF RECOMMENDATION:</b> Watch  <b>ACWA/MMWD:</b> ACWA - Watch  <b>Others:</b></p>	<p>Spot bill.</p>
<p><a href="#">SB 918 Pavley</a></p>	<p><b>Water recycling.</b> Would require the State Department of Public Health to adopt uniform water recycling criteria for indirect potable water reuse for groundwater recharge, as defined, by December 31, 2013. The bill would require the department to develop and adopt uniform water recycling criteria for surface water augmentation, as defined, by December 31, 2016, if a specified expert panel convened pursuant to the bill finds that the criteria would adequately protect public health. The bill would require the department</p>	<p>Int. 02/01/2010 <b>Location:</b> 09/30/2010-S CHAPTERED <b>Status:</b> 09/30/2010-Chaptered by the Secretary of State, Chapter Number 700, Statutes of 2010</p>	<p><b>WRD BOARD:</b> Support  <b>ACWA/MMWD:</b> MWD - Support ACWA - Favor  <b>Others:</b> SUPPORT - WaterReuse (sponsor), PCL (sponsor), East</p>	<p>Adds a new chapter to the Water Code governing DPH's development and adoption of water recycling criteria for indirect potable reuse, as well as a requirement to provide information on the feasibility of adopting such criteria for direct</p>

<p><u>SB 934</u> <u>Cogdill</u></p>	<p>to investigate the feasibility of developing uniform water recycling criteria for direct potable reuse, as defined, and to provide a final report on that investigation to the Legislature by December 31, 2016. The bill would require the department, in consultation with the State Water Resources Control Board, to report to the Legislature from 2011 to 2016, inclusive, as part of the annual budget process, on the progress towards developing and adopting the water recycling criteria for surface water augmentation and its investigation of the feasibility of developing water recycling criteria for direct potable reuse. The bill would require the State Water Resources Control Board to enter into an agreement with the department to assist in implementing the water recycling criteria provisions. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.</p>	<p>Int. 02/02/2010  <b>Location:</b> 06/04/2010-S DEAD  <b>Status:</b> 06/04/2010-Failed  Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(1). (Last location was RLS. on 2/18/2010)</p>	<p>Bay MUD, Sierra Club, CMUA, LACSD, CA Water Assoc, CASA WATCH - SCWC, LBWD</p>	<p>potable reuse.</p>
<p><u>SB 991</u> <u>Wolk</u></p>	<p><b>Water Resources: The California Water Plan.</b>  Under existing law, the Department of Water Resources operates the State Water Project and exercises specified water planning functions. Existing law requires the department to update The California Water Plan, which is a plan for the conservation, development, and use of the water resources of the state, every 5 years. This bill would make technical, nonsubstantive changes to these provisions.</p> <p><b>Flood control.</b>  with regard to those bond funds, would appropriate \$30,000,000 to the Department of Water Resources for flood protection projects that either improve the sustainability of the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta, implement specified flood management actions in the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta, or do both.</p>	<p>Int. 02/08/2010  <b>Location:</b> 09/30/2010-S  <b>VETOED</b>  <b>Status:</b> 09/30/2010-Vetoed by the Governor  10/07/10 83 SEN GOVERNOR'S VEToes</p>	<p><b>STAFF RECOMMENDATION:</b>  <b>Watch</b></p> <p><b>ACWA/MWD:</b></p> <p><b>Others:</b></p>	<p>Inactive. Spot bill.</p>
<p><u>SB 1006</u> <u>Pavley</u></p>	<p><b>Natural resources: climate change: Strategic Growth Council.</b>  Would require the council to manage and award revolving loans or grants to a city, county, special district, nonprofit organization, or entity formed under a joint powers agreement. The bill would require that these revolving loans or grants be awarded for urban</p>	<p>Int. 02/10/2010  <b>Location:</b> 09/30/2010-S  <b>CHAPTERED</b>  <b>Status:</b> 09/30/2010-Chaptered by the Secretary of State, Chapter Number 632, Statutes of</p>	<p><b>STAFF RECOMMENDATION:</b>  <b>Watch</b></p> <p><b>ACWA/MWD:</b>  ACWA - Watch</p>	<p>Author contends that SB 1006 will ensure that the state fully considers climate change adaptation solutions that avoid unnecessary environmental harm by</p>

	greening plans and projects. This bill contains other existing laws.	2010	<b>Others:</b> WATCH - GRA	requiring the state to make sure that adaptation initiatives protect and enhance natural ecosystem functions, including flood plains and watersheds.  Inactive: Spot bill.
<a href="#"><u>SB 1014</u></a> <a href="#"><u>Denham</u></a>	<b>Safe Drinking Water, Clean Water, Watershed Protection, and Flood Protection Bond Act: groundwater storage projects.</b> The Safe Drinking Water, Clean Water, Watershed Protection, and Flood Protection Bond Act (bond act), approved by the voters as Proposition 13 at the March 7, 2000, statewide primary election, authorizes the issuance and sale of a total of \$1,970,000,000 in general obligation bonds. The bond act requires that \$630,000,000 of the proceeds from the sale of those bonds be allocated for purposes of water supply reliability projects. Existing law authorizes the Department of Water Resources, upon appropriation by the Legislature, to use \$200,000,000 from the moneys allocated for water supply reliability projects for purposes of providing grants for groundwater storage projects that produce water supply benefits for local agencies and water users. The bond act defines various terms for these purposes. This bill would make technical, nonsubstantive changes to those definitions.	<b>Int.</b> 02/10/2010 <b>Location:</b> 06/04/2010-S DEAD <b>Status:</b> 06/04/2010-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(11). (Last location was RLS. on 2/18/2010)	<b>STAFF RECOMMENDATION:</b> Watch  <b>ACWA/MWD:</b> ACWA - Watch  <b>Others:</b> WATCH - GRA	
<a href="#"><u>SB 1173</u></a> <a href="#"><u>Wolk</u></a>	<b>Recycled water.</b> Would define rainwater and raw water for purposes of the act. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.	<b>Int.</b> 02/18/2010 <b>Location:</b> 09/29/2010-S VETOED <b>Status:</b> 09/29/2010-Vetoed by the Governor  10/07/10 70 SEN GOVERNOR'S VETOES	<b>STAFF RECOMMENDATION:</b> Watch  <b>ACWA/MWD:</b> ACWA - Watch  <b>Others:</b> SUPPORT: County of LA (if amended), Calif Assoc of Sanitation Agencies, California Landscape	This bill would essentially preclude the use of raw or potable water for industrial purposes in lieu of recycled water if recycled water is available and meets the current rigorous test.

<p><a href="#">SB 1234</a> <a href="#">Kehoe</a></p>	<p><b>Water: unreasonable use.</b> Would require the board, by January 1, 2012, to adopt regulations to identify unreasonable uses of water during various periods of water shortage, as specified, and would set forth related legislative findings and declarations.</p>	<p><b>Water quality: mandatory minimum civil penalties.</b> Would provide that a failure to file a discharge monitoring report is not a serious waste discharge violation if the discharger submits a specified statement to the state board or the regional board. The bill, until January 1, 2014, would require, with respect to certain violations involving the failure to file a discharge monitoring report, the mandatory minimum penalty of \$3,000 to be assessed only for each required report that is not timely filed, and not submitting the report. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.</p>	<p><b>Int. 02/19/2010</b> <b>Location:</b> 04/23/2010-S DEAD <b>Status:</b> 04/23/2010-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(5). (Last location was N.R. &amp; W. on 3/4/2010)</p>	<p>Contractors Assoc, Calif Water Assoc, IEUA WATCH: ACWA, LBWD, WaterReuse</p> <p><b>STAFF RECOMMENDATION:</b> Watch</p> <p><b>ACWA/MWD:</b> MWD - Oppose</p> <p><b>Others:</b></p>	<p>Dead.</p>
<p><a href="#">SB 1284</a> <a href="#">Ducheny</a></p>	<p><b>Water quality: mandatory minimum civil penalties.</b> Would provide that a failure to file a discharge monitoring report is not a serious waste discharge violation if the discharger submits a specified statement to the state board or the regional board. The bill, until January 1, 2014, would require, with respect to certain violations involving the failure to file a discharge monitoring report, the mandatory minimum penalty of \$3,000 to be assessed only for each required report that is not timely filed, and not submitting the report. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.</p>	<p><b>Int. 02/19/2010</b> <b>Location:</b> 09/30/2010-S CHAPTERED <b>Status:</b> 09/30/2010-Chaptered by the Secretary of State, Chapter Number 645, Statutes of 2010</p>	<p><b>WRD BOARD:</b> Support</p> <p><b>ACWA/MWD:</b> ACWA - Support</p> <p><b>Others:</b> SUPPORT - ACWA/Cal Chamber/RCRC (sponsors), League of Cities, CSAC</p>	<p>Addresses the issue of excessive penalties on water districts for minor infractions. Removes mandatory minimum penalties assessments for failure to file discharge monitoring reports if (1) there is no discharge during the reporting period, (2) discharges do not violate effluent limitations contained in WDRs, and (3) when State Board or Regional Board does not inform the discharge of the alleged violation within 90 days of the date report is due to be filed.</p>	<p>This bill stems from a problem in San Diego county where it has been difficult to do vegetation clearing because of CEQA requirements.</p>
<p><a href="#">SB 1293</a> <a href="#">Hollingsworth</a></p>	<p><b>Environment: guidelines: vegetation management projects.</b> Would require the office, on or after January 1, 2011, at the time of the next update of the guidelines for implementing CEQA, in cooperation with the Department of Forestry and Fire Protection, to prepare, develop, and transmit to the Secretary of</p>	<p><b>Int. 02/19/2010</b> <b>Location:</b> 06/30/2010-A NAT. RES. <b>Status:</b> 06/30/2010-June 30 Read second time. Amended. Re-referred to Com. on NAT.</p>	<p><b>STAFF RECOMMENDATION:</b> Watch</p> <p><b>ACWA/MWD:</b> ACWA - Favor</p>	<p><b>STAFF RECOMMENDATION:</b> Watch</p> <p><b>ACWA/MWD:</b> ACWA - Favor</p>	<p>This bill stems from a problem in San Diego county where it has been difficult to do vegetation clearing because of CEQA requirements.</p>

	<p>the Natural Resources Agency recommended proposed changes or amendments to the initial study for the inclusion of questions related to vegetation management projects to reduce fire hazards that are located in state responsibility areas and high fire hazard severity zones. This bill would also require the Secretary of the Natural Resources Agency to certify and adopt these recommended proposed changes or amendments. This bill contains other related provisions.</p>	RES.	Others:	
<p><a href="#">SB 1339</a> <a href="#">Huff</a></p>	<p><b>Water.</b> Existing law provides that any person, firm, or corporation, and their lessees, trustees, or receivers, who sell, lease, rent, or deliver water to any person, firm, corporation, municipality, or any other political subdivision of the state, whether under contract or otherwise, is a public utility, and is subject to the provisions of the Public Utilities Act and to the jurisdiction, control, and regulation of the Public Utilities Commission, except as specified. This bill would make technical, nonsubstantive changes to this provision.</p>	<p>Int. 02/19/2010 <b>Location:</b> 06/04/2010-S DEAD <b>Status:</b> 06/04/2010-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(11). (Last location was RLS. on 3/4/2010)</p>	<p><b>STAFF RECOMMENDATION:</b> Watch  <b>ACWA/MMWD:</b> ACWA - Watch  <b>Others:</b></p>	<p>Inactive. Spot bill.</p>
<p><a href="#">SB 1412</a> <a href="#">Calderon</a></p>	<p><b>Water replenishment districts.</b> Would require information in that engineering survey and report, and those related determinations, to pertain to the groundwater in each basin within the district. The board of directors of a water replenishment district, upon determining to impose a water replenishment assessment on the production of groundwater from each groundwater basin, would be required, except as otherwise provided, to impose the assessment in an amount that is calculated to pay for costs that include the actual costs of replenishing the groundwater basin, removing contaminants from the groundwater basin, and the administrative costs of the district. The charge would be required to be fixed at a uniform rate. The bill would make other conforming changes. By establishing these requirements on a water replenishment district, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program. This bill contains other</p>	<p>Int. 02/19/2010 <b>Location:</b> 04/23/2010-S DEAD <b>Status:</b> 04/23/2010-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(5). (Last location was N.R. &amp; W. on 3/11/2010)</p>	<p><b>WRD BOARD:</b> <b>Oppose</b>  <b>ACWA/MMWD:</b> ACWA - Not Favor  <b>Others:</b> SUPPORT - Downey (sponsor), CBMWD OPPOSE - LBWD, Lakewood, Vernon, Torrance, WBWA, ACWA, Golden State</p>	<p>Inactive. This bill is substantively identical to the version of AB 640 (De La Torre) from the 2007-08 session which directed WRD to establish separate assessment rates by basin. AB 640 was ultimately amended to study the basin underflow and was held in the Senate Appropriations Committee.</p>

<p>SB 1469 <a href="#">Simitian</a></p>	<p>related provisions and other existing laws.</p> <p><b>Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta: California Water Plan: water quality.</b> Would require the board , by January 1, 2012, to identify all parties, including public and private parties, that benefit from waters originating in the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta watershed and whose activities impact the Delta watershed. The bill would also require the board , by that date, to develop a process for determining the degree of responsibility attributable to each of the identified parties for physical and environmental impacts on the Delta. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.</p>	<p>Int. 02/19/2010 <b>Location:</b> 06/04/2010-S DEAD <b>Status:</b> 06/04/2010-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(11). (Last location was APPR. SUSPENSE FILE on 5/27/2010)</p>	<p><b>STAFF RECOMMENDATION:</b> Watch <b>ACWA/MWD:</b> <b>Others:</b></p> <p>Inactive.</p>
<p><a href="#">SCA 5 Hancock</a></p>	<p><b>State budget.</b> Would exempt General Fund appropriations in the Budget Bill from the 2/3 vote requirement. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.</p>	<p>Int. 12/02/2008 <b>Location:</b> 09/01/2009-S THIRD READING <b>Status:</b> 09/01/2009-Read second time. To third reading. <b>10/07/10 111 SEN SENATE BILLS-THIRD READING FILE</b></p>	<p><b>STAFF RECOMMENDATION:</b> Watch <b>ACWA/MWD:</b> <b>Others:</b></p> <p>Constitutional amendment to address the 2/3 votes requirement for budget bills. Requires voter approval.</p>
<p><a href="#">SCA 18 Liu</a></p>	<p><b>Local government: property-related fees.</b> Would additionally exclude fees and charges for stormwater and urban runoff management from these approval requirements for the imposition or increase of a property-related fee or charge.</p>	<p>Int. 03/10/2009 <b>Location:</b> 10/07/2010-S THIRD READING <b>Status:</b> 10/06/2010-Action From THIRD READING: To THIRD READING. <b>10/07/10 110 SEN SENATE BILLS-THIRD READING FILE</b></p>	<p><b>STAFF RECOMMENDATION:</b> Watch <b>ACWA/MWD:</b> ACWA - Favor <b>Others:</b></p> <p>Exempts fees and charges for stormwater and urban runoff management from Prop 218 requirements.</p>



## MEMORANDUM

### ITEM NO. 5

<i>Prepared by:</i>	Elsa Lopez
<i>Reviewed by:</i>	Robb Whitaker
<i>Approved by:</i>	Robb Whitaker

**DATE:** OCTOBER 18, 2010

**TO:** EXTERNAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

**FROM:** ROBB WHITAKER, GENERAL MANAGER

**SUBJECT:** CONSIDERATION OF CONTRACT EXTENSION FOR TRES ES, INC.

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### SUMMARY

The District contracted Tres Es Inc. in January 2010 for six months of service in the areas of strategic planning, use of recycled water, inter-agency (including state agencies) relations, local government working relationship, and outreach efforts.

The External Affairs Committee asked at the September 20<sup>th</sup> External Affairs Committee meeting to further review the proposal.

The scope of services in the proposal include:

1. Identify and review state funding opportunities that may be available to the District.
2. Work with the district to develop a short and long term strategic plan for the upcoming legislative year and provide WRD Public Policy research and analysis as directed by WRD.
3. Attend the District's monthly Legislative Committee meetings to provide updates on legislation affecting the district's interest.
4. Monitor, review and analyze all legislation introduced in the California Legislature and shall inform district of all legislation affecting the district's interests. Consultant shall forward a copy of all such bills to District on a weekly basis.
5. Monitor all regulations promulgated by all state agencies and shall inform District of all regulations affecting district's interests. Consultant shall forward a copy of all such regulations to district on a weekly basis.
6. Review the California budget during its preparation, and provide District with information affecting its interests and advocate for the inclusion of programs and projects that will benefit the District.

7. Secure the introduction of legislation and legislative amendments as requested by the District.
8. Work with District to draft written material used to influence state legislation and regulations.
9. Work with District to draft legislative proposal as requested by the district. Such drafts shall be approved by the District prior to being presented to the Legislature.
10. Advocate the positions adopted by the District with respect to state legislation and regulations promulgated by state agencies, beginning January 1, 2010.
11. Arrange meetings between legislative representatives, state officials and District's Directors and staff when requested.
12. Arrange and attend meetings on behalf of the district when requested.
13. Initiate legislative and regulatory proposals on behalf of and as directed by District.
14. Advise the District of legislative and administrative hearings affecting the district's interest and shall attend and provide testimony on behalf of District at said hearings when authorized by district.
15. Work on issues of relevance to the district as directed by District.
16. Work proactively with District to implement district's objectives through the state legislative and regulatory process.
17. Provide district with a monthly written summary of significant activity conducted on behalf of District during the legislative session. At the completion of the legislative sessions, consultant shall provide district with a written summary which shall include the status and disposition of each bill and/or regulation introduced and/or monitored.

#### **FISCAL IMPACT**

Budgeted for six months in the FY 2010-2011 budget, not to exceed \$45,000.

#### **STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

For information.



## MEMORANDUM

ITEM NO. 6

*Prepared by:* Elsa Lopez

*Reviewed by:* Robb Whitaker

*Approved by:* Robb Whitaker

**DATE:           OCTOBER 18, 2010**

**TO:             EXTERNAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE**

**FROM:          ROBB WHITAKER, GENERAL MANAGER**

**SUBJECT:       PRESS RELEASE AND MEDIA CONTACT PROCEDURE**

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### SUMMARY

The Committee Chair asked for a review of the District's press release and media contact procedure. Staff provided an oral report at the September 20<sup>th</sup> External Affairs Committee meeting. The Chair has scheduled the matter for further discussion at this meeting.

### FISCAL IMPACT

None.

### STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Adopt a press release and media contact procedure.



## MEMORANDUM

ITEM NO. 7

*Prepared by: Elsa Lopez*

*Reviewed by: Robb Whitaker*

*Approved by: Robb Whitaker*

**DATE: OCTOBER 18, 2010**

**TO: EXTERNAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE**

**FROM: ROBB WHITAKER, GENERAL MANAGER**

**SUBJECT: CORO FELLOW PROGRAM**

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### SUMMARY

Several Directors have requested staff to research the possibility of hosting a CORO Fellow for the 2011-2012 fiscal year.

The Fellows Program in Public Affairs is a nine-month, full-time, post-graduate leadership training program that introduces diverse, intelligent and driven young people to all aspects of the public affairs arena. Field assignments, site visits, interviews and special individual and group projects and consultancies prepare Coro Fellows to translate their ideals into action for improving their own communities.

Subject to Board approval, WRD will secure a fellow for a nine-month period to develop an outreach strategic plan that will enhance WRD's recognition as a groundwater leader nationwide. The fellow will research various media approaches and work with key External Affairs staff to formulate a branding concept.

Sixty-eight Fellows are chosen annually through a highly competitive selection process. They represent a broad range of cultural, racial and economic backgrounds, ages, interests, and academic and work experience, but all are committed to excellence in public affairs. The Fellows Program in Public Affairs is conducted in **Los Angeles, New York, Pittsburgh, San Francisco** and **St. Louis**. The Coro Fellows Program is the most long-standing and well known of the Coro programs.

### FISCAL IMPACT

\$7,000 per fellow for a nine month period. Funding would need to be included in the 2011-2012 Fiscal year budget.

### STAFF RECOMMENDATION

For information.



## MEMORANDUM

ITEM NO. 8

*Prepared by: Adeline Yoong*

*Reviewed by: Elsa Lopez*

*Approved by: Robb Whitaker*

**DATE:           OCTOBER 18, 2010**

**TO:             EXTERNAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE**

**FROM:          ROBB WHITAKER, GENERAL MANAGER**

**SUBJECT:       FEDERAL ADVOCACY SUPPORT SERVICES**

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### SUMMARY

WRD currently receives federal advocacy support services from the team of Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck; and Pacific Atlantic Partners. The team was assembled through a Request for Proposal process and jointly provides support on all federal issue matters including funding, legislation, and strategy. The team has worked on amendments to legislation benefitting WRD's interest, identified grant opportunities, maintained relationships with key federal legislators and Hill and Agency staff on behalf of the District, is instrumental in working with Rep. Napolitano office on drafting authorizing legislation, and has provided strategic guidance on a number of federal issues.

The Professional Services Agreements for each of the firm expires on December 31, 2010, and provides for a monthly all-inclusive fee of \$15,000 per firm.

This item is being brought to the Committee's attention in order to allow sufficient time to initiate and issue a Request for Proposal for federal advocacy support services should the Committee so recommend it to the Board. Conversely, the Committee may opt to recommend renewal of the contracts for an additional 2 years, effective January 1, 2011. The WRD board had approved a 2-year duration for advocacy contracts in order to reflect the 2-year federal and state legislative cycle and ensure seamless and effective advocacy and legislative efforts.

### FISCAL IMPACT

\$30,000.00 per month has been allocated in the FY10-11 budget for federal advocacy support services.

### STAFF RECOMMENDATION

For discussion.



## MEMORANDUM

### ITEM NO. 9

*Prepared by: Adeline Yoong*

*Reviewed by: Elsa Lopez*

*Approved by: Robb Whitaker*

**DATE: OCTOBER 18, 2010**

**TO: EXTERNAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE**

**FROM: ROBB WHITAKER, GENERAL MANAGER**

**SUBJECT: STATE ADVOCACY SUPPORT SERVICES**

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### SUMMARY

WRD currently receives state advocacy support services from the firm of Millennium Government Advocates. The firm provides support on all state issue matters, including legislation and strategy. As WRD's state advocate, the firm has protected the District's and its stakeholders' interest by providing analyses on legislation, worked with relevant legislative offices on amendments to bills impacting WRD, and supported or opposed measures in which the WRD Board had voted to take positions. The firm has also helped organized the District's annual state legislative workshop to promote District projects and programs by scheduling meetings with key legislators and staff.

The Professional Services Agreement with Millennium Government Advocates expires on December 31, 2010, and provides for a monthly fee of \$15,000.

This item is being brought to the Committee's attention in order to allow sufficient time to initiate and issue a Request for Proposal for state advocacy support services should the Committee so recommend it to the Board. Conversely, the Committee may opt to recommend renewal of the contracts for an additional 2 years, effective January 1, 2011. The WRD board had approved a 2-year duration for advocacy contracts in order to reflect the 2-year federal and state legislative cycle and ensure seamless and effective advocacy and legislative efforts.

### FISCAL IMPACT

\$15,000.00 per month has been allocated in the FY10-11 budget for state advocacy support services.

### STAFF RECOMMENDATION

For discussion.



## MEMORANDUM

ITEM NO. 10

*Prepared by: Adeline Yoong*

*Reviewed by: Elsa Lopez*

*Approved by: Robb Whitaker*

**DATE: OCTOBER 18, 2010**

**TO: EXTERNAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE**

**FROM: ROBB WHITAKER, GENERAL MANAGER**

**SUBJECT: LOCAL ADVOCACY SUPPORT SERVICES CONTRACT WITH  
ROBERT E. BUSH CORPORATION**

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### SUMMARY

WRD currently has a contract with the firm of Robert E. Bush Corporation for local advocacy support services which expires on December 31, 2010. The contract provides for a monthly fee of \$5,000.

Robert E. Bush Corporation provides strategic support and counsel on matters with the Los Angeles County Department of Public Works as they relate to WRD, its project, and programs. The firm represents WRD before and interfaces with the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors and relevant staff. Robert E. Bush Corporation has coordinated briefings of WRD programs with relevant Supervisors and staff; and has successfully secured support for several key District projects including the Groundwater Reliability Improvement Program (GRIP).

This item is being brought to the Committee's attention in order to allow sufficient time to initiate and issue a Request for Proposal for local advocacy support services should the Committee so recommend it to the Board. Conversely, the Committee may opt to renew the contract, effective January 1, 2011. The WRD board had approved a 2-year duration for advocacy contracts in order to reflect the 2-year federal and state legislative cycle and ensure seamless and effective advocacy and legislative efforts.

### FISCAL IMPACT

\$5,000.00 per month for local advocacy support services has been allocated in the FY10-11 budget.

### STAFF RECOMMENDATION

For discussion.



## MEMORANDUM

ITEM NO. 11

*Prepared by:* Elsa Lopez

*Reviewed by:* Robb Whitaker

*Approved by:* Robb Whitaker

**DATE:** OCTOBER 18, 2010

**TO:** EXTERNAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

**FROM:** ROBB WHITAKER, GENERAL MANAGER

**SUBJECT:** RENEWAL OF WATERWISE CONSULTANT CONTRACT

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### SUMMARY

For the past few years, WRD's ECO Gardener Program (also known as *Jardineros Ecologicos*) has gained statewide recognition for the innovative and effective training curriculum presented by WaterWise Consulting. WaterWise is presently working to develop a signature training program for WRD's ECO Gardener Pro program.

WRD is prepared to extend the program to include Landscaping Conservation, Residential Conservation Programs, Youth & Public Education, Eco Gardener training and to extend WRD's education on conservation to include giving the public the tools needed to conserve water.

Staff recommends renewing the contract for WaterWise Consulting who has over 20 years of experience, for the same amount of \$100,000 for the period January 1, 2011 to December 31, 2012. Staff visited and researched two other agencies that do landscape training and found that the other two agencies did not meet WRD's experience requirements nor did they have the ability to develop customized curriculum for the Pro training. Presently WaterWise Consulting is working with member agencies from Metropolitan Water District of Southern California, water agencies throughout the state from the Bay area down to San Diego and recently expanded their training programs nationwide. The rates and fees charged by WaterWise Consulting is commensurate with market rates.

### SCOPE OF WORK

Consultant agrees to provide the following services as outlined in each task of this scope of work.

1. Consultant shall provide instruction for the Water Replenishment District (WRD) Eco GardenER Program using the WaterWise Consulting, Inc. (WaterWise) WaterWell Professional and Homeowners Series (WaterWell) workshops. Consultant shall conduct such workshops by following the WaterWell class curriculum. In the course of conducting the workshops, Consultant shall also provide the following services:

- Provide backup presentation equipment for each class (Laptop and/or Projector);
  - Provide confirmation of attendance numbers to WaterWise and WRD;
2. Consultant shall provide speaking engagement services concerning the Eco Gardening program or other water conservation issues within the WRD service area.
  3. Consultant shall deliver an electronic copy of the handbook material scheduled to be presented. District at its expense will print materials sufficient to cover each class.
  4. Consultant will develop a signature training curriculum for the WRD ECO Gardener Pro program.
  5. Consultant will meet with staff on a regular basis to develop the program and keep the Workforce Ad Hoc Committee apprised of new developments and partnership opportunities for further funding of the whole ECO Gardener Program.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

\$100,000 for this contract is within the External Affairs Conservation budget for FY 2010-2011.

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

Approve renewal of agreement with WaterWise Consulting.