

Water Bond Bills:

AB 1331 - Clean and Safe Drinking Water Act of 2014-(Rendon)

Summary: This bill would repeal the \$11.14 billion water bond set to go before the voters in November, and would replace it with the Clean and Safe Drinking Water Act of 2014, which would authorize \$8.2 billion in bonds. (Senate Rules Committee)

AB 2686 - Clean, Safe, and Reliable Water Supply Act of 2014-(Perea)

Summary: This bill would make changes to the water bond currently set to go before the voters in November, to reduce the current amount to be authorized from \$11.14 billion to an unspecified amount. (Assembly Appropriations)

SB 848 - Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality, and Water Supply Act of 2014-(Wolk)

Summary: This bill would repeal the \$11.14 billion water bond set to go before the voters in November, and would replace it with the Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality, and Water Supply Act of 2014, which, if adopted by the voters, would authorize the issuance of \$7.5 billion in bonds to finance safe drinking water, water quality, and water supply programs. (Senate Second Reading)

Integrated Regional Water Management Bills:

AB 1249 - Integrated regional water management plans: nitrate contamination-(Salas)

Summary: This bill would require integrated regional water management plans, if an area within the jurisdiction of the plan has been identified as a nitrate high-risk area, to include an explanation of how or if the plan addresses nitrate contamination. This bill would also require DWR to give funding preference for projects that address nitrate impacts in their plan. (Senate Appropriations)

AB 1874 – Integrated regional water management plans: funding-(Gonzalez)

Summary: This bill would require DWR to develop a streamlined application process for certain regional water management groups. The bill would require, in order to receive integrated regional water management funds through this streamlined application process, the specified regional water management group to file with the department a streamlined application form that includes information relating to projects to be funded by integrated regional water management grant funds. (Assembly Appropriations)

Groundwater Bills:

AB 1739 - Groundwater basin management: sustainability-(Dickinson)

Summary: The Groundwater Quality Monitoring Act of 2001 requires the State Water Board, in establishing the comprehensive monitoring program, to prioritize groundwater basins that supply drinking water. This bill would require the Board, in consultation with DWR, to develop thresholds for the sustainable management of the priority groundwater basins. (Senate Appropriations)

SB 1168 - Groundwater management plans-(Pavley)

Summary: This bill would require a local agency to determine sustainable yield for a groundwater basin in coordination with other applicable local agencies whose service areas overlie the groundwater basin. (Assembly Appropriations)

AB 2453 – Paso Robles Basin Water District –(Achadjian)

Summary: This bill would provide directions on the formation of the Paso Robles Basin Water District within San Luis Obispo County. It outlines specifics for the creation, board members, and governing rules. (Senate Appropriations)

Water Management and Planning Bills:**AB 2067 - Urban water management plans-(Weber)**

Summary: This bill would require urban retail and wholesale water suppliers to provide narratives describing the supplier's water demand management measures, as provided. It would also require, for urban retail water suppliers, the narrative to address the nature and extent of each water demand management measure implemented over the past 5 years and describe the water demand management measures that the supplier plans to implement to achieve its water use targets. (At Senate Desk – Pending Referral)

SB 1036 - Urban water management plans-(Pavley)

Summary: This bill would authorize an urban water supplier to include within an urban water management plan certain energy-related information, including estimates of the amount of energy used to extract or divert water supplies. (Assembly Appropriations)

SB 985 - Stormwater resource planning-(Pavley)

Summary: This bill would require a stormwater resource plan to identify opportunities to use current publicly owned lands to capture and reuse stormwater. Current law, the Stormwater Resource Planning Act, authorizes a city, county, or special district, to develop a stormwater resource plan that meets certain standards. (Assembly Appropriations)

SB 1120 - Local water supply programs or projects: funding-(Galgiani)

Summary: This bill would require DWR to conduct a statewide inventory of local regional water supply projects and post specified results of the inventory on the department's Internet Web site by July 1, 2015. (Assembly Appropriations)

SB 1420 - Water management-urban water management plans-(Wolk)

Summary: This bill would require an urban water management plan to quantify and report on distribution system water loss. It would also require the plan, or amendments to the plan, be submitted electronically to the department and include any standardized forms, tables, or displays specified by the department. (Assembly Appropriations)

CEQA Bills:

AB 52 – Native Americans: CEQA -(Gatto)

Summary: This bill would specify that a project with potential to affect a tribal cultural resource, be considered a significant effect on the environment for the purposes of the California Environmental Quality Act. (Senate Appropriations)

Miscellaneous

AB 148 - Salton Sea Restoration-(Perez)

Summary: This bill would make technical changes to existing law that was recently enacted by AB 71 (V. M Pérez, Chapter 402, Statutes of 2013) relating to the Salton Sea. (Enrolled, to Governor 7/9)

AB 1896 – Coachella Valley Water District: nonpotable water use –(Perez)

Summary: This bill would prohibit the use of potable water for landscaped common areas of residential developments maintained by a homeowner’s association within the boundaries of Coachella Valley Water District. (Senate Appropriations)

AB 2194 – Mello-Roos Community Facilities Act of 1982: storm water –(Mullin)

Summary: This will would authorize a community facilities district to finance various services including storm and flood protection. It would also authorize the financing of storm water management plans. (Senate Third Reading)

AB 2516 – Sea Level Rise Planning -(Gordon)

Summary: This bill would require the Natural Resources Agency, in collaboration with the Ocean Protection Council, to create a ‘Planning for Sea Level Rise Database’ describing steps being taken throughout the state to prepare for, and adapt to, sea level rise. (Senate Appropriations)

AB 2636 - Cal Conserve Water Use-(Gatto)

Summary: This bill would establish the CalConserve Water Use Efficiency Revolving Fund for the purpose of water use efficiency projects, including at-or-below market interest rate loans and would permit the department to enter into agreements with local governments or investor-owned utilities that provide water or recycled water service to provide loans. (Senate Appropriations)

SB 1259 – Dams: sedimentation studies –(Pavley)

Summary: This bill would require DWR to investigate the amount of sedimentation behind dams and investigate loss of storage capacity. (Assembly Appropriations)