



**Update on Program and Administrative Activities for Water Storage Investment Program
(Proposition 1)**

Background

In November 2014, California voters passed [Proposition 1: the Water Quality, Supply, and Infrastructure Improvement Act of 2014](#), a \$7.5 billion water bond that will make needed investments in the state's water management systems.

The bond dedicated \$2.7 billion to be continuously appropriated to the California Water Commission to pay for the public benefits of water storage projects. Through the Water Storage Investment Program, the Commission will fund the public benefits, which are defined as ecosystem improvements, water quality improvements, flood control benefits, emergency response, or recreational purposes that result from eligible water storage projects. Eligible projects must also provide measurable benefits to the Delta ecosystem or its tributaries. The bond requires the Commission to develop regulations for the quantification and management of the public benefits of water storage projects, which will serve as the foundation for the Water Storage Investment Program.

At this meeting, staff will provide updates on administrative and programmatic activities including an updated schedule of issues the Commission will be asked to address at future Water Storage Investment Program working sessions, a proposed draft update to the Water Storage Investment Program Goals, and an update on the status of staff technical work.

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