

**Metropolitan Water District of Southern California
State Legislation Matrix 8/14/2017**

Bill Number Author	Amended Date; Location	Title-Summary	MWD Position	Effects on Metropolitan
<p>AB 472 Frazier (D)</p> <p>Sponsor: California Waterfowl Association</p>	<p>Amended 6/26/17</p> <p>Senate Natural Resources and Water Committee</p> <p>Date of Hearing: 8/22/17</p>	<p>Water Transfers: Would eliminate requirement for landowners to comply with Department of Water Resources (DWR) water transfer guidelines. Requires DWR to allow cover crops to remain on fallowed land unless DWR, not the landowner, can prove injury to another legal user of water, based on peer-reviewed scientific studies. Also creates incentive program within the Wildlife Conservation Board for landowners to cultivate or retain nonirrigated vegetation for wildlife habitat.</p>	<p>OPPOSE (4/11/17)</p>	<p>Would make it more difficult for DWR to ensure that purchasers of water transfer supplies and legal users of water are not impacted by water consuming vegetation on fallowed lands.</p>
<p>AB 574 Quirk (D)</p> <p>Sponsor: WateReuse California and California Coastkeeper Alliance</p>	<p>Amended 7/12/17</p> <p>Senate Appropriations Committee</p> <p>Date of Hearing: 8/21/17</p>	<p>Potable Reuse: Promotes water recycling by categorizing potable reuse alternatives and by establishing a clear regulatory pathway and time frame for raw water augmentation.</p>	<p>SUPPORT (3/14/17)</p>	<p>By advancing regulatory criteria that are protective of public health, AB 574 may accelerate the deployment of recycled water projects throughout California.</p>

**Metropolitan Water District of Southern California
State Legislation Matrix 8/14/2017**

Bill Number Author	Amended Date; Location	Title-Summary	MWD Position	Effects on Metropolitan
<p style="text-align: center;">AB 732 Frazier (D)</p> <p>Sponsor: Author</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Amended 5/30/17</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Senate Appropriations Committee Suspense File</p>	<p>Delta Levee Maintenance: Delta levee maintenance program was established for reimbursement of costs incurred in connection with maintenance or improvement of projects or non-project levees in the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta. AB 732 extends the current 75% state reimbursement rate for Delta levee maintenance costs in excess of \$1,000 per mile, until July 1, 2020.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">WATCH</p> <p>based upon prior position on SB 554 (Wolk) from 2016</p>	<p>Metropolitan dropped its opposition to AB 732 after the Delta Stewardship Council directed staff to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the Central Valley Flood Protection Board (CVFPB) and DWR to develop and recommend a new set of guidelines, including a methodology and local agency requirements for evaluating a local agency's ability to pay for cost of levee maintenance or improvements under the Delta Levee Subventions Program.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">AB 791 Frazier (D)</p> <p>Sponsor: Author</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Amended 3/21/17</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Assembly Appropriations Committee</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Two-Year Bill</p>	<p>New Conveyance Facility: Would impose new and unnecessary requirements on "lead agency" (presumably DWR) to provide certain information about costs and benefits of new water delivery system improvements on a water-contractor-by-water-contractor basis <i>before</i> any water contractor could enter any contracts to fund design, construction and mitigation.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">OPPOSE</p> <p>based upon June 2007 Board-adopted Delta Action Plan</p>	<p>Could delay construction of California WaterFix, with no added benefit to the public process or environment.</p>

**Metropolitan Water District of Southern California
State Legislation Matrix 8/14/2017**

Bill Number Author	Amended Date; Location	Title-Summary	MWD Position	Effects on Metropolitan
<p style="text-align: center;">AB 792 Frazier (D)</p> <p>Sponsor: Author</p>	<p>Amended 3/28/17</p> <p>Assembly Water, Parks and Wildlife Committee</p> <p>Two-Year Bill</p>	<p>Delta Plan: Would take unprecedented and unnecessary step of requiring Delta Stewardship Council to affirmatively “grant” a certification of consistency with the Delta Plan before construction of California WaterFix could begin. Council could not “grant” the certification until <u>after</u> State Water Resources Control Board adopts update to 2006 Bay-Delta Water Quality Control Plan.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">OPPOSE</p> <p>based upon June 2007 Board-adopted Delta Action Plan</p>	<p>Delta Reform Act of 2009 recognized need for new Delta conveyance to address declines in water supply reliability and the Delta ecosystem. Likewise, the Governor’s California Water Action Plan calls for new Delta conveyance, among a suite of other measures, to further the coequal goals, and to restore water supply reliability to millions of Californians. AB 792 is at odds with both.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">AB 793 Frazier (D)</p> <p>Sponsor: Author</p>	<p>Amended 3/27/17</p> <p>Assembly Water, Parks and Wildlife Committee</p> <p>Two-Year Bill</p>	<p>Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta – Financing: Would declare it state policy that the <u>existing</u> Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta be recognized and defined as an integral component of California's water infrastructure. Would state also that the maintenance and repair of Delta are eligible for same forms of financing as other water collection and treatment infrastructure and specifies that eligible maintenance and repair activities be limited to certain cleanup-and-abatement-related restoration and conservation activities.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">OPPOSE</p> <p>based upon June 2007 Board-adopted Delta Action Plan</p>	<p>Ignores the fact that the Delta, in its <u>current</u> state, has not been developed as a “water collection or treatment facility.” The current configuration of levees was largely completed in the early 20th century to reclaim swamp and overflow land for farming or other uses. Thus, the declaration of intent is contrary to reality and is not a sound basis for infrastructure financing.</p>

**Metropolitan Water District of Southern California
State Legislation Matrix 8/14/2017**

Bill Number Author	Amended Date; Location	Title-Summary	MWD Position	Effects on Metropolitan
<p>AB 869 Rubio (D)</p> <p>Sponsor: Author</p>	<p>Amended 7/3/17</p> <p>Senate Natural Resources and Water Committee</p> <p>Two-Year Bill</p>	<p>Recycled Water: Would exclude the curtailment of use of recycled water from the definition of conservation.</p>	<p>WATCH based upon Board-adopted legislative policy priorities dated 5/8/17</p>	<p>Metropolitan recognizes that recycled water is an efficient use and should be treated as such in any new water use efficiency targets. Author will no longer pursue bill, as written.</p>
<p>AB 968 Rubio (D)</p> <p>Sponsor: Regional Water Authority and Irvine Ranch Water District</p>	<p>Amended 4/17/17</p> <p>Assembly Appropriations Committee</p> <p>Two-Year Bill</p>	<p>Water Use Efficiency Targets: Defines “water efficiency target” as a target developed by an urban retail water supplier for 2025 water efficiency in its 2020 urban water management plan. Requires each urban retail water supplier to adopt one of three methods for determining water efficiency targets. Maintains the existing exclusion of recycled water from the calculation of base daily per capita water use. Requires Dept. of Water Resources, in consultation with the State Water Resources Control Board, to, by July 1, 2018, convene a task force for the purposes of recommending appropriate performance measures for the commercial, industrial and institutional sectors.</p>	<p>SUPPORT based upon Board-adopted legislative policy priorities dated 5/8/17</p>	<p>Preserves the legislative process for setting water-use efficiency goals and recognizes the role of state agencies to implement a detailed framework consistent with the goals. Supports multiple compliance methods that includes a water-budget based target-setting approach in addition to other methods that could be customized to unique local conditions and could be equally effective in reducing water use.</p>

**Metropolitan Water District of Southern California
State Legislation Matrix 8/14/2017**

Bill Number Author	Amended Date; Location	Title-Summary	MWD Position	Effects on Metropolitan
<p style="text-align: center;">AB 1270 Gallagher (R)</p> <p>Sponsor: Author</p>	<p>Amended 7/20/17</p> <p>Senate Appropriations Committee</p> <p>Date of Hearing 8/21/17</p>	<p>Dams and Reservoirs – Inspections and Reporting: Requires inspections of dams on a known frequency rather than only “from time-to-time” as existing law requires. Also requires that on or before January 1, 2019, and every three years thereafter, the California Water Commission, in consultation with the UC Berkeley Center for Catastrophic Risk Management, conduct a review of state-operated and state-maintained dams and reservoirs, such as Lake Oroville.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">SUPPORT (6/13/17)</p>	<p>Recent amendments address Metropolitan’s concerns related to the list of inspection activities that would need to be conducted every year for all higher-hazard dams. In addition, the most recent amendment responds to Metropolitan concerns re posting and protection of sensitive information.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">AB 1323 Weber (D)</p> <p>Sponsor: San Diego County Water Authority</p>	<p>Amended 5/30/17</p> <p>Senate Appropriations Committee</p> <p>Date of Hearing: 8/21/17</p>	<p>Water Efficiency Targets: Provides that if a statute is not chaptered during 2017-18 legislative session to establish water conservation targets and long-term drought contingency planning, DWR shall convene stakeholder workgroup by February 1, 2019, to develop, evaluate and recommend proposals for establishing new water use targets for urban retail water suppliers.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">SUPPORT based upon Board-adopted legislative policy priorities dated 5/8/17</p>	<p>Metropolitan supports state agency implementation of a framework consistent with the water use efficiency goals set by the Legislature by working through a stakeholder process to ensure the goals are met in a way that recognizes the unique challenges of agencies throughout California.</p>

**Metropolitan Water District of Southern California
State Legislation Matrix 8/14/2017**

Bill Number Author	Amended Date; Location	Title-Summary	MWD Position	Effects on Metropolitan
<p>AB 1427 Eggman (D)</p> <p>Sponsor: Stockton-East Water District</p>	<p>Amended 3/21/17</p> <p>Assembly Appropriations Committee</p> <p>Two-Year Bill</p>	<p>Water – Underground Storage: Amends Water Code Section 1242 to declare that storing water underground, including diverting surface water for storage, for purposes including, but not limited to, protection of water quality or recovery of groundwater levels, are beneficial uses. Also states that existing forfeiture provisions for non-use of water for a period of longer than five years would not apply.</p>	<p>OPPOSE UNLESS AMENDED</p> <p>based upon prior opposition to AB 647 (Eggman) from 2015</p>	<p>Must include safeguards to ensure that permanent underground storage is implemented in reasonable manner. SWRCB must confirm that flows are not already otherwise appropriated or diverted at times when federal Central Valley Project and State Water Project are required to release supplemental project water to meet water quality objectives in Delta watershed. Additional amendments are necessary to ensure alignment with Groundwater Management Sustainability Act of 2014.</p>
<p>AB 1654 Rubio (D)</p> <p>Sponsor: Regional Water Authority and Irvine Ranch Water District</p>	<p>Amended 7/12/17</p> <p>Senate Rules Committee</p>	<p>Drought Contingency Planning: As a step towards developing a single legislative proposal, the bill was amended in the Senate Natural Resources and Water Committee to state the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation necessary to help make water conservation a California way of life.</p>	<p>WATCH</p> <p>based upon Board-adopted legislative policy priorities dated 5/8/17</p>	<p>Senate Natural Resources and Water Committee Chairman Robert Hertzberg and Assembly Water, Parks and Wildlife Committee Chairman Eduardo Garcia are motivated to craft a bipartisan/bicameral package to resolve the various policy differences between competing measures.</p>

**Metropolitan Water District of Southern California
State Legislation Matrix 8/14/2017**

Bill Number Author	Amended Date; Location	Title-Summary	MWD Position	Effects on Metropolitan
<p align="center">AB 1667 Friedman (D)</p> <p align="center">Sponsor: Author</p>	<p align="center">Amended 7/3/17</p> <p align="center">Senate Natural Resources and Water Committee</p> <p align="center">Two-Year Bill</p>	<p>Water Management Planning: Reflects the Brown Administration’s June 2017 proposal to implement Executive Order B-37-16 and the framework contained in the report Making Water Conservation a California Way of Life for urban and agricultural water usage and drought planning.</p>	<p align="center">SUPPORT IF AMENDED based upon Board-adopted legislative policy priorities dated 5/8/17</p>	<p>AB 1667 is consistent, in part, with the policy priorities adopted by Metropolitan’s board. There are specific provisions, however, that require revisions to merit full support.</p>
<p align="center">AB 1668 Friedman (D)</p> <p align="center">Sponsor: Author</p>	<p align="center">Amended 7/12/17</p> <p align="center">Senate Rules Committee</p>	<p>Drought Contingency Planning: As a step towards developing a single legislative proposal, the bill was amended in the Senate Natural Resources and Water Committee to state the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation necessary to help make water conservation a California way of life.</p>	<p align="center">WATCH based upon Board-adopted legislative policy priorities dated 5/8/17</p>	<p>Senate Natural Resources and Water Committee Chairman Robert Hertzberg and Assembly Water, Parks and Wildlife Committee Chairman Eduardo Garcia are motivated to craft a bipartisan/bicameral package to resolve the various policy differences between competing measures.</p>

**Metropolitan Water District of Southern California
State Legislation Matrix 8/14/2017**

Bill Number Author	Amended Date; Location	Title-Summary	MWD Position	Effects on Metropolitan
<p align="center">AB 1669 Friedman (D)</p> <p align="center">Sponsor: Author</p>	<p align="center">Amended 4/18/17</p> <p align="center">Assembly Appropriations Committee</p> <p align="center">Two-Year Bill</p>	<p>Water Use Efficiency Targets: Requires the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB), in consultation with the Department of Water Resources (DWR), to adopt long-term standards for urban water conservation and water use by May 20, 2021. Specifically, this bill requires the long-term standard to include indoor residential water use, outdoor irrigation water use, as specified, and industrial, institutional and commercial water use. Allows the SWRCB, in consultation with DWR, to adopt and update interim standards for urban water conservation and water use.</p>	<p align="center">OPPOSE UNLESS AMENDED based upon Board-adopted legislative policy priorities dated 5/8/17</p>	<p>AB 1669, in many areas, conflicts with the policy priorities adopted by Metropolitan’s board. The bill grants authority to a state agency to issue interim standards through emergency regulations outside of a Governor-declared emergency. The bill does not protect existing water rights; provides for only one compliance path; fails to recognize recycled water as an efficient use of water; and proposes water use reduction targets for the commercial, industrial and institutional sector rather than pursuing a performance-based approach.</p>
<p align="center">SB 80 Wieckowski (D)</p> <p align="center">Sponsor: Author</p>	<p align="center">Amended 6/21/17</p> <p align="center">Assembly Floor</p>	<p>California Environmental Quality Act: Would require the preparation, filing and posting on the internet of Notices of Exemption that the California Natural Resources Agency has categorically exempted from CEQA because said actions have no significant adverse impact.</p>	<p align="center">OPPOSE UNLESS AMENDED based upon January 2017 Board-adopted State Legislative Priorities</p>	<p>Would require public agencies to prepare, file and post on the internet dozens, if not hundreds, of additional Notices of Exemption every month for every discretionary action that would cause any change in the physical environment, regardless how insignificant.</p>

**Metropolitan Water District of Southern California
State Legislation Matrix 8/14/2017**

Bill Number Author	Amended Date; Location	Title-Summary	MWD Position	Effects on Metropolitan
<p style="text-align: center;">SB 92 Senate Budget and Fiscal Review Committee</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Budget Trailer Bill</p>	<p>Chapter 26, Statutes of 2017</p> <p>Signed by Governor on 6/27/17</p>	<p>Resources Trailer Bill: Sections 60-61, 64, 84-94 and 102 provide the Department of Water Resources (DWR) with new authorities that are in alignment with recommended best practices for dams and appurtenant structures from the Federal Emergency Management Agency and the Association of State Dam Safety Officials.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">SUPPORT (6/13/17)</p>	<p>SB 92 strengthens DWR’s regulatory powers and oversight. Further, the requirement for regularly updated inundation maps and emergency action plans will improve emergency planning for neighboring communities.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">SB 224 Jackson (D)</p> <p>Sponsor: Environmental Defense Center and the Planning and Conservation League</p>	<p>Amended 4/5/17</p> <p>Senate Appropriations Committee</p> <p>Two-Year Bill</p>	<p>California Environmental Quality Act: Would require Office of Planning and Research to prepare, and Secretary of CA Natural Resources Agency to adopt, CEQA guidelines to make exceptions to general rule that environmental review should focus on each project’s impacts on the existing physical environment. Lead agencies undertaking their own projects, and project proponents seeking permits, funding or other discretionary approvals from lead agencies, would be required to analyze every proposed project’s impacts relative to an environmental condition that no longer existed at any site where unpermitted, illegal or previous emergency response actions occurred.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">OPPOSE based upon January 2017 Board-adopted State Legislative Priorities</p>	<p>SB 224 is at odds with the fundamental precept of CEQA as a forward-looking statute. Lead agencies that undertake their own projects could be required to mitigate for environmental harms committed by others, which is inequitable and fails to deter bad actors.</p>

**Metropolitan Water District of Southern California
State Legislation Matrix 8/14/2017**

Bill Number Author	Amended Date; Location	Title-Summary	MWD Position	Effects on Metropolitan
<p align="center">SB 231 Hertzberg (D)</p> <p align="center">Sponsor: Water Foundation</p>	<p align="center">Amended 4/19/17</p> <p align="center">Assembly Floor</p>	<p>Local Government - Fees and Charges: Provides a definition of "sewer" that predates Proposition 218 and treats fees for stormwater like all other water and sewer fees. Seeks to clarify where stormwater and flood control systems may overlap with water and sewer systems for which Proposition 218 requires a lower approval threshold. SB 231 does not change the CA Constitution's mandate for rigorous oversight of water and sewer fees, including reports, hearings and protest votes.</p>	<p align="center">SUPPORT (4/11/17)</p>	<p>Stormwater is an important source of local water supply and careful management is necessary to reduce pollution. Currently, property-related fees to fund stormwater and flood control programs, not associated with water supply, require a higher approval standard than property-related fees for other water services.</p>
<p align="center">SB 606 Skinner (D) and Hertzberg (D)</p> <p align="center">Sponsor: Authors</p>	<p align="center">Amended 7/13/17</p> <p align="center">Assembly Floor</p>	<p>Water Conservation: As a step towards developing a single legislative proposal, the bill was amended to provide a Senate vehicle which states the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation necessary to help make water conservation a California way of life.</p>	<p align="center">WATCH based upon Board-adopted legislative policy priorities dated 5/8/17</p>	<p>Senate Natural Resources and Water Committee Chairman Robert Hertzberg and Assembly Water, Parks and Wildlife Committee Chairman Eduardo Garcia are motivated to craft a bipartisan/bicameral package to resolve the various policy differences between competing measures.</p>