



Legislation and Communications Committee

# Quarterly Update on Federal and State Regulatory Activities

Item 6c

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### Subject

Quarterly Update on Federal and State Regulatory Activities

### Purpose

Provide update on federal and state regulatory developments

### Next Steps

- Regulatory matrices will be updated quarterly and posted on Metropolitan's website.
- Key rules will be presented at their respective committees.

# Notable Updates

- PFAS
- Fluoride
- CARB — Advanced Clean Fleets Regulation
- SWRCB — Sacramento/Delta Bay-Delta Plan
- SCAQMD — Rule 1171 Solvent Cleaning Operations



# Federal

May 2025

## PFAS Maximum Contaminant Levels (MCLs)



- USEPA intends to:
  - Keep MCLs for PFOA and PFOS
  - Extend compliance deadlines for PFOA and PFOS MCLs from 2029 to 2031
  - Rescind MCLs for PFHxS, PFNA, Gen-X, and the Hazard Index concept

	US EPA PFAS Limits in parts per trillion (ppt)		
	Maximum Contaminant Level		
	Goal	Maximum Contaminant Level	
PFOA	Zero	4.0	
PFOS	Zero	4.0	
PFHxS	10	<del>10</del>	<del>1.0 Hazard Index</del>
PFBS	--	--	<del>1.0 Hazard Index</del>
Gen-X	10	<del>10</del>	<del>1.0 Hazard Index</del>
PFNA	10	<del>10</del>	<del>1.0 Hazard Index</del>
PFHxA	--	--	--

# July 2025 PFAS Notification and Response Levels (NLs & RLs)



## California

- Division of Drinking Water has proposed new and revised NLs and RLs for PFAS

	State Water Board PFAS Levels in parts per trillion (ppt)				
	Public Health Goal	Current Notification Level	Proposed Notification Level	Current Response Level	Proposed Response Level
PFOA	0.007	5.1	4	10	No Change
PFOS	1	6.5	4	40	No Change
PFHxS	OEHHA Developing	3	No Change	20	10
PFBS	--	500	No Change	5,000	No Change
Gen-X	--	--	--	--	--
PFNA	OEHHA asked to develop	--	--	--	--
PFHxA	--	--	1,000	--	10,000

OEHHA = Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment

## EPA Fluoride



### *Food & Water Watch Inc., et al. v. EPA case*

Sept. 2024—Federal district court judge ruled that fluoridated drinking water poses unreasonable risk of injury to public health and ordered EPA to act under Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA)

January 2025: EPA filed appeal

April 2025: EPA announced it will assess new information on the potential health risks of fluoridation

July 18, 2025: EPA filed opening brief in appeal



# July 2025

## CARB

### Advanced Clean Fleets Regulation: AB 1594 Requirements



- AB 1594 (Garcia, 2023) requires the California Air Resources Board (CARB) to authorize public agency utilities to purchase replacements for “traditional utility-specialized vehicles” under certain conditions
- Metropolitan met with CARB staff to showcase fleet composition and discuss emergency response concerns for government fleets
  - May 7, 2025 -- virtually
  - June 17, 2025 -- on-site at Weymouth
- CARB released a 45-day comment ACF draft on July 29, 2025
  - Future 15-day change packages may address industry concerns

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# SWRCB Bay-Delta Plan



State Water Resources Control Board released Revised Draft Sacramento/Delta Bay-Delta Plan Updates

- Staff are reviewing it
- Public hearing –September 8-9, 2025
- Comments due September 10, 2025



Source: United States Geological Survey



June 2025

SCAQMD:  
Rule 1171:  
Solvent  
Cleaning  
Operations



South Coast Air Quality Management District amended  
Rule 1171: Solvent Cleaning Operations

- Regulates the use of cleaning solvents (e.g., liquid denatured alcohol)
- Phases out the use of para-Chlorobenzotrifluoride (pCBtF) and tert-Butyl Acetate (t-BAc) as cleaning solvents
- Metropolitan worked with SCAQMD staff to:
  - Allow the continued use of the liquid denatured alcohol for ozone and chlorine systems
  - Lessen limits on the use of aerosol solvents for general parts cleaning
- Rule goes into effect January 1, 2026



# Quarterly Update on Federal and State Regulatory Activities Questions



