



One Water and Stewardship Committee

Report on Colorado River System Conservation Agreements

Item 9e

November 18, 2024

Inflation Reduction Act Made Funding Available

 AUGUST 8, 2022

ICYMI: Governor Newsom, CA Leaders Applaud Feinstein, Padilla Efforts to Secure Critical Funding for Drought Resiliency in Inflation Reduction Act^[OBJ]

CALIFORNIA — Governor Gavin Newsom and local leaders and advocates across California applauded the historic \$4 billion dollars for drought resiliency included in the Inflation Reduction Act that passed the Senate:

“This funding is critical to stabilize the Colorado River system and accelerate projects at the Salton Sea to protect public health and the environment. Thanks to our California Senators for working with us on this priority and helping to lead the charge on this essential investment,” **said Governor Newsom.**

Two Separate Requests for Proposals Funded by the Inflation Reduction Act

Bucket 1

- Short-term projects with short-term benefits
 - Immediate implementation
 - Elevation protection



Bucket 2

- Long-term projects with multi-year benefits
- Improving system efficiency
- Reducing long-term demand



Metropolitan's Bucket 2 Proposals – Two Agreements for Board Approval

AVEK High Desert
Water Bank

DAC Leak Detection
and Repair

New Local Supply
Program

Turf Replacement for
Commercial,
Industrial, and
Institutional
Properties

DAC Turf
Replacement – Direct
Install

New DAC Focused
Local Supply Program

Summary of System Conservation Implementation Agreements



AVEK HDWB



Turf Replacement

Federal
Funding

Up to \$82 Million

Up to \$95.81 Million

System Water
Creation

168,000 Acre-feet

97,296 Acre-feet

Next Steps

1

Finalize agreement terms and language

2

Bring action item to the Board in December

