



Legislation, Regulatory Affairs, and
Communications Committee

Report on Activities from Sacramento

Item 7b

March 13, 2023

Legislative Deadlines

February 17:

Bill Introduction Deadline

April 28:

Policy Committee Deadline for
Fiscal Bills.

June 15:

Deadline for the Legislature to pass
the Budget

Sacramento Board Days



Chairman Ortega, MWD Directors and GM Hagekhalil with Assembly Member Bauer-Kahan.

Sacramento Board Days Legislative Highlights

Infrastructure/Bond Bills

- AB 305 (Villapudua) California Flood Protection Bond Act of 2024.
 - Spot bill.
- AB 1567 (E. Garcia): Safe Drinking Water, Wildfire Prevention, Drought Preparation, Flood Protection, Extreme Heat Mitigation, and Workforce Development Bond Act of 2023.
 - Would authorize a \$15.1 billion bond.
- SB 638 (Eggman): Climate Resiliency and Flood Protection Bond Act of 2024.
 - Would authorize \$4.5 billion for flood protection and climate resiliency projects.
- SB 867 (Allen): Drought and Water Resilience, Wildfire and Forest Resilience, Coastal Resilience, Extreme Heat Mitigation, Biodiversity and Nature-Based Climate Solutions, Climate Smart Agriculture, Park Creation and Outdoor Access Bond Act.
 - Spot bill

Sacramento Board Days Legislative Highlights

Water Rights Bills

- AB 460 (Bauer-Kahan): State Water Resources Control Board: interim relief
 - Grants the Board new authority over surface water diversions to manage and address waste and illegal water use.

Water Efficiency/Conservation

- AB 1572 (Friedman): Potable water: nonfunctional turf
 - Would prohibit use of potable water to irrigate nonfunctional turf located on commercial, industrial, municipal, institutional, and multifamily residential properties.
- AB 1648 (Bains): Water: Colorado River Conservation
 - Expresses intent to enact legislation that would prohibit Los Angeles from achieving federally-mandated conservation of Colorado River water supplies by increasing imports from other regions.

