



MONTHLY REGULATORY ROUNDUP



APRIL 2025

UPCOMING ACWA EVENTS

ACWA REGION EVENTS

- ACWA Region 4 / Tour and Program / April 16 at 8:00 am / Register [here](#) to attend.

ACWA SPRING 2025 CONFERENCE

ACWA will host its Spring 2025 Conference and Exhibition in Monterey, CA from May 13-15. ACWA Policy Committee Meetings will be held in person on Tuesday, May 13 (preliminary schedule below). Click [here](#) to register for Spring Conference, including the Policy Committee Meetings.

9:30 AM – 10:45 AM	Groundwater Committee
11:00 AM – 12:15 PM	Water Management Committee
11:00 AM – 12:15 PM	Energy Committee
1:45 PM – 3:00 PM	Agriculture Committee
3:15 PM – 4:30 PM	Water Quality Committee

POLICY UPDATES

FEDERAL

ACWA's Federal Regulatory Issues chart is accessible [here](#).

WATER MANAGEMENT

California Salmon Strategy

- On March 26, the California Department of Fish and Wildlife released a [Progress Report](#) for the 2024 [California Salmon Strategy for a Hotter, Drier Future](#) (Salmon Strategy). The Progress Report provides an update on the status of 71 action items outlined in the 2024 Salmon Strategy.

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Delta Conveyance Project

- On February 28, the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) released a [Third Amended Notice of Public Hearing and Procedural Ruling](#) regarding the Department of Water Resources' (DWR) pending Petitions for Change of Water Rights Permits associated with the State Water Project.
 - Public hearing: April 1, 3, 7-9, 14, 17, 22-24; and June 10-11

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Drought Resilience Interagency and Partners Collaborative

- The Drought Resilience Interagency and Partners Collaborative will host a Water Infrastructure and Planning Workgroup [meeting](#) to facilitate coordination for pre-drought planning, emergency response, and post-drought management.
 - Workgroup meeting: April 3 at 2:00 pm

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Urban Water Management Plan Guidebook

- DWR anticipates releasing a draft 2025 [Urban Water Management Plan](#) Guidebook this spring, and a final version by July 1. To access DWR's

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WUE SharePoint , which includes DWR's proposed changes, email UWMPHhelp@water.ca.gov .	
Water Measurement and Reporting Regulation - On February 28, the State Water Board initiated the formal rulemaking for the draft Water Measurement and Reporting Regulation (Regulation). The Regulation proposes updates for measuring and reporting requirements for water rights holders that divert over 10 acre-feet a year. Public hearing: April 16 at 10:00 am Written comments due: April 23 at 5:00 pm	Staff Contact Stephen Pang stephenp@acwa.com 
AGRICULTURE	
Regulatory Alignment Study The California Department of Food and Agriculture, in collaboration with the California Environmental Protection Agency and the State Water Board, has released an update highlighting milestones/findings for a study that is evaluating agriculture-related food safety and water quality regulatory reporting requirements with the goal of streamlining administrative processes.	Staff Contact Stephen Pang stephenp@acwa.com
GROUNDWATER	
PRIORITY State Intervention: Kern County Subbasin - On February 20, the State Water Board held a public hearing to consider a probationary designation for the Kern County Subbasin. Board members decided to continue the hearing in September and requested that the subbasin groundwater sustainability agencies provide revised draft groundwater sustainability plans (GSPs). There will be an additional opportunity for public comment at the continued hearing. - Revised GSPs due: June 20 - Public hearing: September 17 at 9:00 am	Staff Contact Soren Nelson sorenn@acwa.com 
WATER QUALITY	
Clean Water Act Section 303(d) - On January 2, the State Water Board released a Notice of Opportunity for Public Comment, Public Staff Workshop, and Public Hearing for the Draft 2026 California Clean Water Act Section 303(d) List of Impaired Waters (list) of the 2026 California Integrated Report (report). The draft 303(d) list and draft staff report are accessible here. - Written comments due: April 2 at 12:00 pm	Staff Contact Stephen Pang stephenp@acwa.com
Municipal Stormwater Cost Policy - On January 22, the State Water Board adopted the Water Quality Control Policy for Standardized Cost Reporting in Municipal Stormwater Permits (policy). The policy requires permittees to use a list of standardized cost categories to track their Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) permit implementation costs and report annual expenditures for implementing their MS4 permits using a statewide cost data portal. - Anticipated effective date: April 1	Staff Contact Stephen Pang stephenp@acwa.com
State Revolving Fund Policy Amendments	Staff Contact

- On March 21, the State Water Board released Notices of Consideration to adopt policy amendments to both Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF), and the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) (policy amendments). These policy amendments will update the requirements for obtaining CWSRF and DWSRF dollars that align with the respective annual Intended Use Plans. - CWSRF public hearing: May 6 at 9:00 am - DWSRF public hearing: May 6 at 9:00 am	Nick Blair nickb@acwa.com 
Onsite Treated Nonpotable Water Systems - On March 21, the State Water Board released a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking regarding the establishment of risk-based water quality standards for onsite treatment and reuse of nonpotable water for nonpotable end uses in multifamily residential, commercial, and mixed-use buildings. If adopted, the proposed regulations will replace existing California Plumbing code requirements for graywater, stormwater, and rainwater, except for untreated graywater systems used exclusively for sub-surface irrigation and untreated rainwater systems used exclusively for surface, sub-surface, or drip irrigations. - Public hearing: May 8 at 1:00 pm - Written comments due: May 9 at 12:00 pm	Staff Contact Stephen Pang stephenp@acwa.com
ENERGY	
PRIORITY Advanced Clean Fleets Regulation - The California Air Resources Board (CARB) has delayed bringing Assembly Bill 1594 Amendments to the Advanced Clean Fleets Regulation (ACF Amendments) for CARB approval following recent stakeholder input. CARB staff intended to bring the ACF Amendments to the May board hearing, but will now do so at a later date in 2025. Comments on proposed ACF Amendments due May 31	Staff Contact Nick Blair nickb@acwa.com 
Clean Transportation Incentives - CARB will hold public meetings on the Clean Transportation Incentives Funding Plan development process. These meetings will explain how CARB will spend money on projects related to zero-emission vehicles (ZEVs) and improving air quality, and provide updates on incentive project implementation and other CARB initiatives. Workgroup meeting: April 15 at 1:30 pm Community meeting: April 15 at 5:00 pm	Staff Contact Nick Blair nickb@acwa.com
Clean Transportation Program Grant Funding - The California Energy Commission (CEC) has announced public workshops to discuss two grant funding opportunities (\$40 million in total available) for medium- and heavy-duty (MDHD) ZEV charging or hydrogen refueling infrastructure projects through the Clean Transportation Program. MDHD ZEV Infrastructure Blueprints: April 10 at 10:00 am Depot Charging and Hydrogen Refueling Infrastructure for MDHD ZEV: April 21 at 9:00 am	Staff Contact Nick Blair nickb@acwa.com

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