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October 30, 2015

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### **Senate Committee Hearing Focuses on El Niño Preparedness**

Submitted by Pamela Martineau on Wed, 10/28/2015 - 4:55pm



The California Senate Natural Resources and Water Committee held a special hearing in Van Nuys today to examine flood preparedness in Southern California in the event of flooding from El Niño.

The hearing, titled – Flood Management: Are We Ready for El Niño? – featured weather experts and government officials who described preparations for expected floods. Sen. Fran Pavley, D-Agoura Hills, lead the meeting as chair of the Natural Resources and Water Committee.

[Read more](#)

### **Congress Votes to Extend Positive Train Control Deadline**

Submitted by Josh Abel on Wed, 10/28/2015 - 1:44pm



The U.S. Senate today passed a short-term highway transportation bill that will extend the deadline for railroads to install the automated train navigation system known as positive train control (PTC). The bill, which passed the House on Tuesday, will move the deadline back by a minimum of three years, to the end of 2018. Many ACWA members have been concerned that railroads unable to implement PTC by January 1 would decide to curtail shipments of vitally important water treatment chemicals.

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## **DWR Releases Guidelines on GSA Formation**

Submitted by Pamela Martineau on Wed, 10/28/2015 - 1:30pm



The California Department of Water Resources today released the guidelines it has developed for local agencies to follow when forming a Groundwater Sustainability Agency.

The guidelines adhere to [SB 13 \(Pavley\)](#) which, among other things, adds new requirements and clarifications to the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act with regard to GSA completeness reviews and overlapping boundaries.

[Read more](#)

## **GRAC Co-Sponsors Two-Day Course on Groundwater and Watersheds**

Submitted by Pamela Martineau on Tue, 10/27/2015 - 12:10pm



A two-day course on the fundamental principles of groundwater and watershed hydrology will be offered Nov. 9 – 10 on the UC Davis campus.

Co-sponsored by the Groundwater Resources Association of California and the University of California Cooperative Extension Groundwater Hydrology Program, the program will provide an overview of the fundamental principles of groundwater and watersheds. It also will examine how to monitor, assess, and sustainably manage these resources under climate change and variability.

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## **CA WaterFix Comment Period Ends Oct. 30 for Draft Documents**

Submitted by Pamela Martineau on Fri, 10/23/2015 - 3:56pm



The public comment period ends Oct. 30 on the recirculated draft environmental documents for California WaterFix, a proposed water conveyance improvement plan for the Sacramento-San Joaquin River Delta preferred by state and federal officials.

Specifically, the comment period is closing on the Partially Recirculated Draft Environmental Impact Report/Supplemental Draft Environmental Impact Statement (RDEIR/SDEIS) for the Bay Delta Conservation Plan. CA WaterFix is officials' preferred alternative within the BDCP.

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## **ACWA Officer Elections, Approval of Bylaws Amendments Set for General Session**

Submitted by Pamela Martineau on Wed, 10/21/2015 - 4:43pm



Elections for ACWA president and vice president for the 2016-'17 term are set for Dec. 2 at ACWA's 2015 Fall Conference & Exhibition in Indian Wells.

The ACWA Nominating Committee, headed by chair Paul Kelley, has announced a slate that recommends current ACWA Vice President Kathleen Tiegs for ACWA president and ACWA Region 2 Board Member Brent Hastey for ACWA vice president.

The vote will take place during the General Session Membership Meeting immediately following the luncheon program. The session is expected to begin at 1 p.m.

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## **Groundwater Regulation in California**

Thu, 10/29/2015 - Fri, 10/30/2015

**Location:** Millennium Biltmore Hotel Los Angeles in Los Angeles, CA and via webcast

*Law Seminars International Presents: A Comprehensive Two-Day Conference on*

**Groundwater Regulation in California**

*New requirements, legal implications, and practical strategies for attorneys, local government, environmental and agricultural professionals*

### **Webcast Info**

- High quality audio & video
- View slide decks like you were in the room
- Works on any platform, any device

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## **Southern California Water Committee Annual Meeting and Dinner**

Thu, 10/29/2015 - 5:30pm - 9:00pm

**Location:** Sheraton Universal Hotel, Universal City

The Southern California Water Committee will hold its Annual Meeting & Dinner, Thurs., Oct. 29 at the Sheraton Universal Hotel, 333 Universal Hollywood Dr., Universal City.

The event will feature the presentation of the 2015 Hon. Harriet Wieder Water Leadership Award. Sponsorship opportunities are available. Contact Cindy Northcote-Smith for more information at [cnorthcote-smith@socalwater.org](mailto:cnorthcote-smith@socalwater.org).

A flyer is [here](#).

[SCWC Annual Meeting and Dinner](#)

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## **Combined Technical and Public Forum SGMA Meeting**

Thu, 11/05/2015

**Location:** Redding City Hall, Council Chambers, 777 Cypress Ave, Redding, CA 96001

Presented by the State Water Resources Control Board and the Department of Water Resources

[Information](#)

## **SGMA Technical Session and Public Forum (combined)**

Thu, 11/05/2015 - 1:00pm - 4:00pm

**Location:** Redding City Hall, Council Chambers, 777 Cypress Avenue, Redding, CA 96001

The State Water Resources Control Board and the Department of Water Resources will hold informational meetings to discuss the implementation of SGMA and to answer questions from the public. Technical sessions and public forums will be held in the Los Angeles Area, Visalia, Sacramento, and Redding. Both agencies are responsible for the implementation of SGMA.

### **Technical Sessions for Local Public Agencies and Organizations**

[RSVP](#)

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## **Introduction to Groundwater and Watershed Hydrology**

Mon, 11/09/2015 - 8:00am - Tue, 11/10/2015 - 5:00pm

**Location:** Buehler Alumni Center at UC Davis

The Groundwater Resources Association of California and the University of California Cooperative Extension Groundwater Hydrology Program are co-sponsoring a two-day course on the fundamental principles of groundwater and watershed hydrology Nov. 9 – 10 on the UC Davis campus.

The program will provide an overview of the fundamental principles of groundwater and watersheds. It also will examine how to monitor, assess, and sustainably manage these resources under climate change and variability.

[Introduction to Groundwater and Watershed Hydrology](#)

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## **Naturally Occurring Compounds of Regulatory Concern Symposium**

Wed, 11/18/2015 - Thu, 11/19/2015

**Location:** Anaheim Marriott Suites, 12015 Harbor Boulevard, Garden Grove, CA

The Groundwater Resources Association of California sponsors a two-day course.

[Information and Registration](#)

## **Forum Series: Fresh Perspectives on California's Water Future**

Wed, 11/18/2015 - 6:30pm - 8:30pm

**Location:** California State University, San Marcos

**The Economics of Water**

[Registration](#)

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## **ACWA 2015 Fall Conference & Exhibition**

Tue, 12/01/2015 - Fri, 12/04/2015

**Location:** Indian Wells

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ACWA's 2015 Fall Conference & Exhibition is set for Dec. 1-4, 2015, at the Renaissance & Hyatt Regency in Indian Wells.

[ONLINE REGISTRATION](#)

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## **ACWA DC2016: ACWA 2016 Washington, D.C. Conference**



Tue, 02/23/2016 - Thu, 02/25/2016

**Location:** Mayflower Hotel, Washington, D.C.

ACWA DC2016 will take place February 23-25, 2016 at the Mayflower Hotel in Washington, D.C.

More details to come.

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# **CEO BULLETIN**



**TO: BOARD OF DIRECTORS**  
**FROM: BEAU GOLDIE**

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## **CEO BULLETIN**

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### **Board Policy EL-7: Communication and Support to the Board**

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*The BAOs inform and support the Board in its work.*

*Further, a BAO shall:*

*Inform the Board of relevant trends, anticipated adverse media coverage, or material external and internal changes, particularly changes in the assumptions upon which any Board policy has previously been established.*

*Report in a timely manner an actual or anticipated noncompliance with any policy of the Board.*

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### Potential Research Opportunity In Direct Potable Reuse

District staff was approached by a team of consulting firms, Hazen & Sawyer and Carollo Engineers, with a request for the district to participate as the Principal/Lead Investigator and partner with this consultant team for an upcoming potable reuse research project from the WateReuse Association.

The WateReuse Association is planning to release a “Request for Proposals” for research work involving the development of Direct Potable Reuse (DPR) operator training materials. Hazen & Sawyer is currently working on a WateReuse Association research project, which is on developing a standard operations and maintenance plan for DPR facilities and developing a DPR training framework. The new project is on developing actual DPR operator training materials. Monitoring systems will be a focus of the effort, and the use of those monitoring systems in a Critical Control Point approach is recommended for potable reuse facilities. The work will also provide a detailed regulatory and treatment literature background, intended for use by operations staff.

The consultant team recognizes the district as being a leading California agency moving towards potable reuse, being an entity with a cadre of excellent treatment operators at its Silicon Valley Advanced Water Purification Center, which is a facility that meets ISO 9001 and 14001 standards, and having the wherewithal to complete this body of work. The research proposal will likely be due by the end of this year with the work starting in spring 2016 and completed by the end of 2016.

Benefits for the district include being recognized as a leader and as being progressive in the water industry, recognition of the district as subject matter expert when working as the lead or principal investigator, and it will be advantageous having district operator training standards and procedures becoming the foundational basis for future DPR operator training materials. The resultant output from this research effort will be an invaluable operator training resource for the district as it considers DPR. These materials will also be shared nationwide and worldwide by WateReuse Association. Staff estimates that this participation, if selected by WateReuse Association, would constitute in-kind services with district labor, valued at approximately \$75,000.

For further information, please contact Angela Cheung at (408) 630-2735.

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## BOARD MEMBER REQUESTS

### Keegan

Provide Dir. Keegan answers/information regarding the Water Resources Master Plan:

1) Is work on projects done before the date funds are expensed? 2) Deliverables are discussed; but not outcomes.

I-15-0047

### Response to Request 1

Work on this project began in FY 2012-2013 with the development of a draft agreement for the San Francisco Estuary Institute (SFEI) to complete the master planning project for the water district. It was later decided that water district staff would complete the effort to build staff capacity, rather than contracting the majority of work out, so it was decided not to proceed with the agreement. SFEI remains involved, but in a supporting role on a task by task basis.

### Response to Request 2

The master plan outcomes are expected to include:

- Development of an integrated, prioritized plan, based on the latest science and developed through a stakeholder process to gather input on the management of the water District's water resources. This would allow:
  - Readiness for future funding cycle opportunities with a pre-developed work plan
  - Ability to use existing Safe, Clean Water and Natural Flood Protection program funds for prioritized projects
  - Readiness for grant funding applications with prioritized projects
  - Readiness for partnering with volunteer and other agencies to implement effective projects
- Potential improvements in regulatory permitting process
- Identification of multi-benefit, integrated water district projects that consider water supply, flood protection, and stewardship objectives
- Improved water district coordination under the premise of water resources management for One Water (i.e., flood water, stormwater, drinking water, groundwater, creek water, surface water, recycled water = One Water)
- Improved alignment with partner agencies and organizations, including Santa Clara County, municipalities, resources conservation districts, open space districts and non-profits
- Improved benefit cost analysis including ecosystem services valuation
- Improved water District knowledge base including geographic-based data

For further information, please contact Liang Lee at (408) 630-2927.

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# **BOARD MEMBER REQUESTS & INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

Request	Completed Date	Meeting Date	Director	GM / AGM	Description	20 Days Due Date	Expected Completion Date	Disposition
R-15-0032	Pending	08/18/15	Hsueh	Camacho	Agendize a Board discussion, on collaboration with non-governmental and non-profit organizations, and their experiences with the District and how better to work with the Board and invite organizations to discuss. Also, include a report on the status of E-1.3.	09/14/15	10/27/15	09/17/15 CEO Bulletin. 08/27/15 Information Only.
R-15-0039	Pending	10/13/15	Hsueh	Camacho	Staff to consider Ag Water Advisory Committee schedule when requesting input on Integrated Water Resources Master Plan. Also that Ag interest be separate from Open Space interest	11/03/15		
R-15-0004	Pending	01/27/15	Keegan	Nava	CAO to come back at BAO annual reviews with comparison of roles/responsibilities of SCVWD Clerk to similar roles in comparable agencies, and provide info for Board determination of proper compensation.	02/17/15	08/01/15	02/19/15 CEO Bulletin.
R-15-0035	Pending	09/08/15	Keegan	Fiedler	Staff is to provide Director Keegan with work product to agreement with Brown and Caldwell, as well as copies of the Asset Management Plan and CIP plan for Santa Clara Conduit pipeline.	09/30/15		
R-15-0038	Pending	09/22/15	Keegan	Fiedler	Staff is to include in their next Accelerated Purified Water Program update, information on the dollar amounts and dates of previously authorized CEO executed agreements and amendments.	10/13/15	01/12/16	
R-15-0028	Pending	07/27/15	Kennedy	Goldie	Staff is to check in to why Morgan Hill Elected Officials meeting is not a public meeting and report back to Director Kennedy.	08/18/15	10/16/15	08/20/15 CEO Bulletin.

Request	Completed Date	Request Date	Director	GM / AGM	Description	20 Days Due Date	Expected Completion Date	Disposition
I-15-0047	Pending	10/21/15	Keegan	Camacho	Provide Dir. Keegan answers/information to the following regarding WRMP: 1) Are we working on the projects before the date where we show we are spending money? 2) We talk about deliverables but not really about outcomes.	11/10/15		
I-15-0015	Pending	04/08/15	Kremen	Nava	Retain a third party facilitator to help the Board conduct their review of the BAOs.	04/28/15		
I-15-0046	Pending	10/20/15	Kremen	Fiedler	Staff to provide information on questions from Chair Kremen regarding SLDMWA, listed in the October 10, 2015 email, as follows: >Closed sessions - any information such as briefings, minutes or tape recording? What does the law say? >Groups - report on amount of contribution to groups for public education/information. >Voting - who gets to vote. >Relationship - information or data. >Brown Act issues - Do participants by phone need to be identified on the agenda? Do revised agendas need to be made public 72 hours before the meeting? >Importance of SLDMWA - request that a legal staff member attend all meetings. >Request a meeting to discuss.	11/09/15	10/21/15	10/21/15 Information Only.
I-15-0048	Pending	10/13/15	Kremen	Fiedler	Provide Dir. Kremen info: What are rate increases to water users North and South, separately, with the follow: 1) IPR facilities costing in 10% increments from \$800m to \$1.6b 2) Twin tunnel costing in 10% increments from \$17b to \$34b (assuming we get assessed in proportion to our current SWP and CVP allocation) 3) Both project undertaken together and separately For the purposes of this analysis, the DCR at 2.0x, financing such project at 20 year fully amortized CA water municipal interests rates ( <a href="http://www.munibondadvisor.com/mark-et.htm">http://www.munibondadvisor.com/mark et.htm</a> ) ?	11/15/15		