

# Legislative and Budget Update

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WATER RESOURCES  
DEPARTMENT



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- **2018 WRD Proposals**
- **2018 Water-Related Legislation and Budget Items**
- **2019 Legislative Concept Timelines**
  - **WRD Legislative Concepts**
- **2019 Budget Development Timelines**
  - **WRD Preliminary Budget Concepts**

## WRD Budget Packages

- **Groundwater = \$1.29 million (\$2.39 million)**
  - No funds provided
- **Litigation = \$1.29 million**
  - Budget for 2017-19 = \$835k - avg. \$35k/month
  - July-Jan. DOJ Billings = \$600k - avg. \$86k/month
  - Challenge to address - net hiring slowdown
  - No funds provided

- **Water-Related Legislation – Did not pass**
  - **HB 4016 – Klamath Project Determined Claim Transfers**
  - **SB 1528 – Transfers of Stored Water**

## Water-Related budget items that passed

- **Water Resources Department**
  - **City of Carlton**
  - **Budget Note: Dam Safety**
- **Department of Administrative Services**
  - **Bradshaw Drop Project**
  - **Silvies Drainage Study**

## 2019 Legislative Concept Timelines

- **January-April – WRD meets with stakeholders\***
- **April 13 – Legislative Concepts (LC) to DAS**
- **June 8 – LC placeholder information to DAS\***
- **September 30 (or 14 days after receipt of LC) – Request one revision\***
- **December 7 – File agency Legislative Concepts**

\*WRD values input on proposals and WRD will continue to seek and address feedback prior to session as needed.

- **Extending the Sunset on Place-Based Planning Grant Authority**
- **Transfers of Purpose/Character of Stored Water**
- **Modernizing Dam Safety Statutes – See Attachment 2**

## 2019 Budget Timelines

- **Deadlines not yet set**
- **Budget instructions issued in late March**
- **Typical schedule:**
  - **January-May – Obtain feedback on proposals; conduct stakeholder meetings**
  - **May – Lock numbers for budget packages**
  - **August 1 – Final budget narrative due**



## 2019 Preliminary Budget Concepts

- **See Attachment 1 - These are draft ideas for the purposes of discussion; there will be deletions, modifications, etc.**
- **Questions for the Commission to consider:**
  - **Is anything missing?**
  - **Is there anything you would modify?**
  - **Is there anything you would delete?**
  - **Any that you perceive to be a higher or lower priority?**

- **Attachment 1, Page 1**

- **Public Records**
- **Extreme Events**
- **Dam Safety**
- **Place-Based Planning**

## Questions:

- **Is anything missing?**
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- **Attachment 1, Page 2**
  - **Data Tools for Communities**
  - **Water Resources Development**
  - **Water Use Measurement and Reporting**
  - **Mitigation**
  - **Field**

## Questions:

- **Is anything missing?**
- **Modifications?**
- **Deletions?**
- **Any that you perceive to be a higher or lower priority?**

- **Attachment 1, Page 3**
  - **Groundwater Study**
  - **Complex Water**
  - **Well Construction**

## Questions:

- **Is anything missing?**
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- **Attachment 1, Page 4**

- **Litigation**
- **Marijuana**
- **Shared Services**
- **Internal Fiscal Auditor**
- **Outreach**

## **Questions:**

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- **Attachment 1, Page 5**
  - **IWRS 2022 Update**
  - **Domestic Wells**

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