

Legislative Update



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- **2018 Emergency Board**
- **2019 Legislative Timelines**
- **2019 WRD Legislative Concepts**
- **2019 Agency Request Budget POPs**

2018 Emergency Board

- **September E-Board – Legal Expenses**

- **Base Budget: \$835,000**

- **Additional E-Board Funding: \$1.3 million**

- **December E-Board**

- **December 12-14
Legislative Days**



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Legislative Timelines

- **April/June – Submitted Legislative Concepts**
- **August – Agency Request Budget Submitted**
- **November 28 – Governor’s Budget Released**
- **December 7 – Filing of Legislative Concepts**
 - **If approved by the Governor’s Office**
- **January 14-16 – Organizational Days**
- **January 22 – 2019 Session Begins**
 - **Up to 180 Days – June 30**

Potential Legislative Concepts

- **Extending the Sunset on Place-Based Planning Grant Authority – Attachment 1**
- **Transfers of the Type of Stored Water – Attachment 3**
- **Modernizing Dam Safety Statutes – Attachment 2**

- **Must be approved for filing by Governor's Office**

Modernizing Dam Safety Statutes

- **Jurisdiction – Non-federally regulated *dams*: water or wastewater**
- **Approval of modifications and receipt of final engineering documentation**
- **Fee for reviews of plans for dams**
- **Guidance for owners of their responsibilities**
- **Clarify the Department’s general authorities and actions may take during a dam failure**

Modernizing Dam Safety Statutes

- Approval of removals to protect people and property
- Improve process for maintenance and safety issues, including flood and seismic; Provide tools to work with owners and get compliance
- Civil penalty authority for certain violations of dam safety statutes
- In order to improve readability and functionality of the statutes, repeals the current laws; as a result many existing authorities appear as new language



Policy Option Packages

<u>Package</u>	<u>FTE</u>
101 - Place-Based Planning Community Support	0.88
102 - Groundwater Data, Management & Protection	11.44
103 - Resolving Complex Water Issues	2.64
104 - Protecting the Public through Dam Safety	0.88
105 - Addressing Increasing Legal Expenses	-
106 - Supporting Water Management in the Field	7.04
107 - Investing in Projects to Meet Water Needs	0.88
108 - Improving Water Use Measurement & Reporting	6.16



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<u>Package</u>	<u>FTE</u>
109 - Increase Access to Data for Decision Making	4.40
110 - Increasing Understanding of Water Law and Tools	0.88
111 - Marijuana & Compliance with Water Laws	4.40
112 - Continuing Payroll Shared Services	1.00
113 - Supporting Agency Functions	3.52
114 - Mitigation to Allow for New Water Uses	0.88
115 - Updating the IWRS	-

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