

EXHIBIT 7-A

REVIEW OF LEGISLATIVE OUTREACH FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2017

During the course of the 2017 calendar year, the District has undertaken a variety of outreach efforts with the legislature, government agencies, and industry groups consistent with its adopted 2017-18 Legislative Advocacy Plan. Several of these activities are identified chronologically below.

Federal:

- Hired federal lobbying firm The Ferguson Group in January 2017. Monthly conference calls. Notifications of bills and federal activity. Consultation on other western water recycling lobbying activities.
- ACWA in Washington DC attended by Directors Brower, Byrne, Evans and GM Stoldt in February.
- Meeting with Congressman Panetta February 29th by Directors Brower, Byrne, Evans, GM Stoldt, John Arriaga, and Roger Gwinn of The Ferguson Group.
- US Bureau of Reclamation (USBR) Interim Director for the Mid-Pacific Region visits Pure Water Monterey demonstration facility March 30th.
- Meeting with USBR staff to update on Pure Water Monterey May 10th.
- Meeting with Congressman Panetta August 11th to discuss letter of support for USBR grant application.
- Submitted USBR Title XVI WaterSMART grant application in August (awaiting notification.)
- Washington DC visits to support Pure Water Monterey and Carmel River opportunities, including Director Brower, GMs Dave Stoldt and Paul Sciuto, and The Ferguson Group October 23rd – 25th.
- District co-signed letters of support for WRDA/WIIN Act legislation, as well as renewal of EPA Water Sense programs. (see examples attached)

State:

- Sacramento visit by GM Stoldt and JEA Associates March 21st, including Senator Monning, Assemblymember Stone, Assemblymember Caballero, and Secretary Laird, on subjects of CDO Condition 2, issues with the IRWM process, and a Department of Fish

and Wildlife issue.

- Pure Water Monterey groundbreaking ceremony May 5th included Congressman Panetta, Assemblymembers Stone and Caballero, and Secretary Laird.
- Miscellaneous meetings with JEA Associates (January, July, August) to discuss Sacramento strategy.
- Spoke on Plenary Session panel at CSUMB “Greater Vision 2017 New Frontiers Water Forum” with Secretary Laird, SWRCB Board member D’Adamo, and Assemblymember Caballero – addressed SGMA, Prop 1, and pending regulations for prescriptive long-term conservation regulations (AB 1668/SB606) and social justice issues for water quality and cost for low-income customers (AB 401 and SB 623). Additional conversation after the panel.
- Multiple meetings and calls regarding CDO Condition 2, including December 13, 2016 meeting with SWRCB staff, miscellaneous documents filed during the year, several calls and meetings with local stakeholders, conference call with SWRCB staff July 6th. (ongoing)
- Numerous letters regarding proposed Statewide legislation, several in consultation with ACWA (see examples attached)
- Attended conferences and maintained visibility for Association of California Water Agencies, California Special Districts Association, California Water Association.

Local:

- Continue to attend Mayor Authority meetings as needed, as well as meet separately with mayors and council members.
- Meet regularly with local interest groups (e.g. Coalition of Peninsula Businesses, Hospitality Association, Chambers of Commerce, Carmel Valley Association, LandWatch, Public Water Now, among others) and their representatives as requested.
- Sponsored, exhibited, and attended public events such as the County Fair water wise landscape competition, golf outings for Farm Bureau, Hospitality Association, and Commercial Property Owners Association.

Attached are examples of legislative/governmental outreach efforts.



December 7, 2016

Senator Diane Feinstein
331 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

Subject: Water Resources Development Act of 2016

Dear Senator Feinstein:

Monterey Peninsula Water Management District is urging your support of the bipartisan S. 612, a compromise bill on water resources infrastructure that includes the Water Resources Development Act (WRDA) of 2016. The entire state of California, and our region especially, would benefit from passage of WRDA, which responds to historic drought conditions in California and the Western states.

Furthermore, provisions of the bill will provide opportunity for the Pure Water Monterey water recycling project and the Monterey Peninsula Water Supply Project's desalination component. These two projects are critical for the future of our local economy. In addition, it will help local water agencies like ours to work with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers on stormwater capture projects and groundwater recharge projects, and provides direction to the Corps to engage in environmental infrastructure projects, including water recycling projects.

The legislation is vital to California's water future and is consistent with our state's policy of managing water resources for the coequal goals of enhancing ecosystem health and improving water supply reliability. The drought language included in the bill reflects a balanced compromise that will improve water supplies for all Californians. We appreciate the hard work that has been done to aid the California water community. We strongly support passage of this legislation.

Please do not hesitate to contact our General Manager, David Stoldt at dstoldt@mpwmd.net as you have questions about our projects, or California Central Coast water issues in general.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "David J. Stoldt".

David J. Stoldt
General Manager



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Senator Barbara Boxer
112 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

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Representative Sam Farr
1126 Longworth HOB
Washington, D.C. 20515

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David J. Stoldt
General Manager



December 12, 2016

President Obama
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW
Washington DC 20500

Subject: Water Infrastructure Improvements for the Nation Act of 2016

Dear President Obama:

Monterey Peninsula Water Management District is urging your support of the bipartisan S. 612, a compromise bill on water resources infrastructure, also referred to as "WIIN" the Water Infrastructure Improvements for the Nation Act. The entire state of California, and our region especially, would benefit from WIIN, which responds to historic drought conditions in California and the Western states. Please sign this bill.

Furthermore, provisions of the bill will provide opportunity for the Pure Water Monterey water recycling project and the Monterey Peninsula Water Supply Project's desalination component. These two projects are critical for the future of our local economy. In addition, it will help local water agencies like ours to work on stormwater capture projects and groundwater recharge projects.

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April 14, 2017

The Honorable Blanca Rubio
State Capitol, Room 5175
Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: AB 968 (Rubio): Urban Water Use Efficiency
Position: SUPPORT (as proposed to be amended)

Dear Assemblymember Rubio:

On behalf of the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District, I am writing to express our support for AB 968 as proposed to be amended.

AB 968 will set new water efficiency targets for water suppliers to achieve by 2025. As called for by Governor Brown, these new targets will build upon the progress made under the existing "20% by 2020" law (SB x7-7 (2009)). The bill makes water use efficiency a way of life in California in a manner that accounts for local conditions, while also recognizing and incentivizing sustainable, balanced approaches to water management. AB 968 will establish a collaborative stakeholder process to continue improvement in water use efficiency beyond 2025. AB 968 will also preserve the Legislature's authority and oversight over long-term water use target setting while making water use efficiency a way of life in California.

As a significant policy matter with implications for California's economy and communities, we encourage the Legislature to consider AB 968 and other similar bills through the regular policy committee process, and to not consider budget trailer bills related to this important area of public policy.

For these reasons, the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District supports AB 968. If you or your staff have any questions, please contact me at 831-658-5652 or dstoldt@mpwmd.net.

Sincerely,

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David J. Stoldt
General Manager

cc: The Honorable Eduardo Garcia, Chair, Assembly Water, Parks, and Wildlife Committee
Honorable Members of the Assembly Water, Parks, and Wildlife Committee

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WATER DISTRICT



San Francisco
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Long Beach Water
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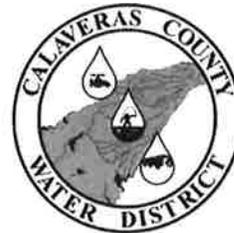
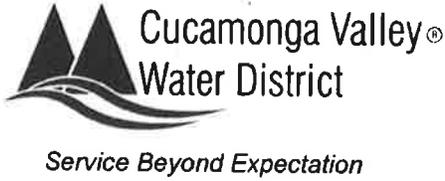
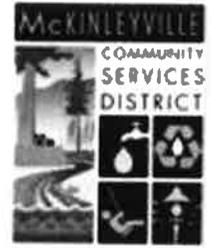


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For these reasons, our organizations support AB 968 as proposed to be amended.

Sincerely,

David Coxe, General Manager
Bella Vista Water District

Dave Eggerton, General Manager
Calaveras County Water District

Tony Stafford, General Manager
Camrosa Water District

Steve Nugent, General Manager
Carmichael Water District

Steven E. Wickstrum, General Manager
Casitas Municipal Water District

Hilary Straus, General Manager
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Felix Riesenber, P.E., Assistant Public Works Director/Utilities
City of Fairfield

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City of Poway

The Honorable Susan Rohan, Mayor
City of Roseville

Bill Busath, Director
City of Sacramento Department of Utilities

Halla Razak, Director
City of San Diego Public Utilities Department

The Honorable Chris Coursey, Mayor
City of Santa Rosa

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Greg Orsini, General Manager
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Paul E. Shoenberger, P.E., General Manager
Mesa Water District

Mark N. Kinsey, General Manager
Monte Vista Water District

David J. Stoldt, General Manager
Monterey Peninsula Water Management District

John Kingsbury, Executive Director
Mountain Counties Water Resources Association

Kimberly A. Thorner, General Manager
Olivenhain Municipal Water District

Michael R. Markus, P.E., D.WRE, BCEE, F.ASCE, General Manager
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Einar Maisch, General Manager
Placer County Water Agency

John Woodling, Executive Director
Regional Water Authority

Greg Thomas, General Manager
Rincon Del Diablo Municipal Water District

Ralph Felix, General Manager
Rio Linda/Elverta CWD

Glenn Farrel, Government Relations Manager
San Diego County Water Authority

Harlan L. Kelly, Jr. General Manager
San Francisco Public Utilities Commission

Paul Helliker, General Manager
San Juan Water District

Dan Ferons, General Manager
Santa Margarita Water District

Piret Harmon, General Manager
Scotts Valley Water District

James L. Smyth, General Manager
Sweetwater Authority

Richard W. Hansen, P.E., General Manager
Three Valleys Municipal Water District

Hector Ruiz, General Manager
Trabuco Canyon Water District

Glenn Pruim, General Manager
Vallecitos Water District

Gary T. Arant, General Manager
Valley Center Municipal Water District

Michael Holmes, General Manager
Walnut Valley Water District

Marc Marcantonio, General Manager
Yorba Linda Water District

G.F. Duerig, General Manager
Zone 7 Water Agency

cc: The Honorable Eduardo Garcia, Chair, Assembly Water, Parks, and Wildlife Committee
Members of the Assembly Water, Parks, and Wildlife Committee
Ryan Ojakian, Senior Consultant, Assembly Water, Parks, and Wildlife Committee
Robert Spiegel, Policy Consultant, Assembly Republican Caucus



April 14, 2017

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State Capitol, Room 5175
Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: AB 1654 (Rubio): Urban Water Management Planning
Position: SUPPORT

Dear Assemblymember Rubio:

On behalf of the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District I am writing to express our support for AB 1654, your measure which would enhance existing urban water management planning requirements and strengthen water suppliers' abilities to plan and prepare for future droughts.

AB 1654 would enhance existing reporting and drought response requirements related to water shortage contingency analyses, as called for by Governor Brown. Under the bill, urban retail water suppliers ("water suppliers") would report annually to the Department of Water Resources on the status of their water supplies for that year and whether supplies will be adequate to meet projected customer demand. If supplies are not adequate to meet demand, the water supplier would be required to implement the appropriate responses as described in their water shortage contingency analysis.

AB 1654 would also prohibit a water supplier from being required to reduce its use or reliance on any water supply available beyond the steps specified in its water shortage contingency analysis, protecting water suppliers' and their customers' investments in resilient water supply sources.

Finally, as a significant policy matter with implications for California's economy and communities, we encourage the Legislature to consider AB 1654 and other similar bills through the regular policy committee process, and to not consider budget trailer bills related to this important area of public policy.

For these reasons, the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District supports AB 1654. If you or your staff have any questions, please contact me at 831-658-5651 or dstoldt@mpwmd.net.

Sincerely,

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Dave Stoldt

From: Dave Stoldt
Sent: Friday, June 2, 2017 9:55 AM
To: 'Adam Robin'
Cc: 'Christine Compton'; John Woodling
Subject: RE: request for signatories on letter regarding water conservation budget trailer bill

Adam,

Yes, you may use Monterey Peninsula Water Management District on your letter.

Dave

David J. Stoldt
General Manager
Monterey Peninsula Water Management District
5 Harris Court – Bldg G
Monterey, CA 93940

831.658.5651

From: Adam Robin [mailto:ARobin@rwah2o.org]
Sent: Thursday, June 1, 2017 8:06 PM
To: Adam Robin <ARobin@rwah2o.org>
Cc: 'Christine Compton' <compton@irwd.com>; John Woodling <jwoodling@rwah2o.org>
Subject: request for signatories on letter regarding water conservation budget trailer bill
Importance: High

All:

Yesterday evening, AB 1654 (Rubio) was approved by the Assembly with a vote of 72-1. As one of the co-sponsors of AB 1654, we'd like thank to the dozens of water agencies, local governments, and other groups from around the state who submitted letters of support.

Consistent with the message in the coalition letters submitted in support of AB 1654, please see attached for a draft letter that encourages the Budget Conference Committee to reject any budget trailer bills related to urban water use targets or drought contingency planning. As expressed in the attached letter: "As a significant policy matter with implications for California's economy and communities, long-term water use efficiency and conservation policy should be addressed through the legislative policy bill process, rather than through the budget process."

The Budget Conference Committee has already begun to meet so we would like to submit this letter no later than close of business tomorrow, June 2. **Please let us know if you are willing to have your agency's logo included on the attached letter by 2:00 p.m. tomorrow.**

Please let us know if you have any questions.

Dave Stoldt

From: Dave Stoldt
Sent: Wednesday, June 28, 2017 11:45 AM
To: Cindy Tuck
Cc: Katie Almand; Stephanie Locke
Subject: Re: Ab 401 Implementation Meeting in Salinas
Attachments: Summary of Salinas AB 401B Workshop.docx

Cindy,

Attached please find a summary of the Salinas meeting. If you have questions or need clarifications, please contact Stephanie Locke, our Water Demand Manager, who prepared the attached memo. Her email is included above and her phone number is 831-658-5630

Regards,

Dave

On Jun 28, 2017, at 9:53 AM, Cindy Tuck <CindyT@acwa.com> wrote:

Hi Dave – Is there an update from the Salinas meeting? In addition to the discussion, an estimate of how many people attended would be of interest. Thanks, Cindy

Cindy Tuck, P.E.

Deputy Executive Director for Government Relations
Association of California Water Agencies
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Dave Stoldt

From: Dave Stoldt
Sent: Wednesday, June 28, 2017 10:00 AM
To: Cindy Tuck
Cc: Katie Almand
Subject: Re: Ab 401 Implementation Meeting in Salinas

9 attendees. I'll send that list separately.

Max Gomberg led the discussion for SWRCB.

I'll debrief my staff member and get you a writeup.

Dave Stoldt

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Sent from my iPhone

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## Dave Stoldt

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**From:** Dave Stoldt  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 30, 2017 2:38 PM  
**To:** 'Adam Robin'  
**Subject:** RE: Outreach Alert: Letters Needed on AB 1668/SB 606 for Hearing Thursday

Hi Adam,

Thanks for including us. You still have our logo from earlier, correct?

Dave

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David J. Stoldt  
General Manager  
Monterey Peninsula Water Management District  
5 Harris Court – Bldg G  
Monterey, CA 93940

831.658.5651

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**From:** Adam Robin [mailto:ARobin@rwah2o.org]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 30, 2017 9:32 AM  
**To:** Adam Robin <ARobin@rwah2o.org>  
**Cc:** Christine Compton <compton@irwd.com>  
**Subject:** FW: Outreach Alert: Letters Needed on AB 1668/SB 606 for Hearing Thursday

All:

Please let us know ASAP if your organization would like to sign on to the attached “oppose unless amended” letter that has been updated to reflect the most recent amendments to AB 1668/SB 606—see the update below for more info. The bills remain identical so we will be submitting identical letters for each.

**Please let us know ASAP if your agency would like to sign the coalition letters. If your organization signed Monday’s letter or you’ve expressed a desire to join since Monday, you will be included on the letter unless you tell us otherwise.**

Thanks,

Adam W. Robin  
Legislative and Regulatory Affairs Program Manager  
Regional Water Authority  
Main: (916) 967-7692  
Cell: (916) 622-8658  
[arobin@rwah2o.org](mailto:arobin@rwah2o.org)





August 30, 2017

The Honorable Robert M. Hertzberg  
Chairman, Senate Committee on Natural Resources and Water  
State Capitol, Room 5046  
Sacramento, CA 95814

The Honorable Nancy Skinner  
California State Senate  
State Capitol, Room 2059  
Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: SB 606 (Skinner/Hertzberg) – OPPOSE UNLESS AMENDED

Dear Senator Hertzberg and Senator Skinner,

On behalf of the undersigned organizations, we are writing to inform you of our “Oppose Unless Amended” position on SB 606.

Throughout this year, our organizations have been engaged in the development of legislation to implement the vision of the Governor’s framework for “Making Water Conservation a California Way of Life” and its objectives of establishing new water use targets for urban retail water suppliers and enhancing drought planning, preparation, and reporting requirements. While SB 606 includes several provisions consistent with these objectives, we remain far apart on several fundamental policy issues. **The issues identified below as well as other important technical changes must be addressed through the attached amendments or our organizations will oppose the bill:**

- SB 606 would grant the State Water Resources Control Board the authority to adopt a variety of enforceable water use standards, including standards for outdoor residential use and commercial, industrial, and institutional water use. Giving state agencies unchecked authority to adopt these standards risks impacts to communities and businesses across California, as only the Legislature can balance competing policy goals and priorities related to water use. SB 606 should be amended to clearly define, in statute, any enforceable standards for efficient urban water use, including standards for outdoor residential water use and an adequate standard for indoor residential use as outlined below.
- SB 606 provides only a limited and temporary credit for recycled water. This provision does not adequately protect and encourage investments in recycled water and potable reuse. SB 606 should be amended to encourage development of these new types of water supplies, including provisions which provide full credit for potable reuse and a sufficient allocation in any water budget for recycled water used for irrigation.
- SB 606 includes a one-time requirement for the Department of Water Resources to provide limited elements of the data needed for water suppliers to calculate the required annual water use objective. For urban water suppliers to be able to calculate the water use objective annually, as required by SB 606, suppliers will need regularly updated data. SB 606 should be amended to either remove the annual reporting requirement or ensure that water suppliers will be provided with the resources necessary to calculate accurate water use objectives.
- SB 606 grants state agencies the discretion to decide whether to adopt variances from standards. In a state as diverse as California, calculating retail-level water use efficiency targets using a “one-size fits all” methodology will be challenging for a wide variety of technical, economic and administrative reasons. SB 606 should be amended to require the establishment of variances and implementation processes that account for unique local conditions as well as technical, economic, and administrative feasibility.
- SB 606 grants state agencies expansive new enforcement powers, including the ability to require water suppliers to take punitive enforcement actions on their customers and the authority to deny state grant and loan funds for failure to meet an undefined standard of “compliance.” SB 606’s enforcement provisions should be amended to shift their emphasis away from providing new punitive enforcement authorities to state agencies and toward technical assistance and information-sharing, along with appropriate authorities to ensure that reporting, planning and other requirements are satisfied.

The operative provisions of existing law in this area—both the “20% by 2020” water use targets and the 2021 updates to urban water management plans—are still years from full implementation. As noted in a previous Committee analysis of this bill, “[w]hile it makes sense to begin working now on whatever comes next, it also makes sense to take the time to make sure the policy and the language is appropriate and does what is intended.” If we cannot come to consensus this year, we urge you to make SB 606 a two-year bill.

We look forward to working with the Legislature to secure a sustainable and resilient water future that protects local authority and includes sensible approaches to improving water use efficiency and enhancing drought planning and preparation.

Sincerely,

Robert Shaver, General Manager  
Alameda County Water District

Kevin Hunt, General Manager  
Central Basin Municipal Water District

Whitnie Wiley, Senior Legislative Advocate  
Association of California Water Agencies

Hilary Straus, General Manager  
Citrus Heights Water District

Nicole Sandkulla, CEO/General Manager  
Bay Area Water Supply & Conservation Agency

Felix Riesenber, Asst. Public Works Director  
City of Fairfield

David Coxe, General Manager  
Bella Vista Water District

Tina White, City Manager  
City of Poway

Dave Eggerton, General Manager  
Calaveras County Water District

Brian Crane, Director, Public Works Department  
City of Redding

Paul Kelley, Executive Director  
CalDesal

Doug Stack, Director of Public Works  
City of Tustin

Barry J. Moline, Executive Director  
California Municipal Utilities Association

The Honorable Stanley Cleveland Jr., Mayor  
City of Yuba City

Rylan Gervase, Legislative Representative  
California Special Districts Association

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Coachella Valley Water District

Jack Hawks, Executive Director  
California Water Association

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Cucamonga Valley Water District

Susan Mulligan, General Manager  
Calleguas Municipal Water District

Mark Krause, General Manager  
Desert Water Agency

Tony L. Stafford, General Manager  
Camrosa Water District

Dan McIntyre, General Manager  
Dublin San Ramon Services District

Steven E. Wickstrum, General Manager  
Casitas Municipal Water District

Paul D. Jones II, P.E., General Manager  
Eastern Municipal Water District

**Senate Bill 606 (Skinner/Hertzberg) – August 30, 2017**  
**Position: OPPOSE UNLESS AMENDED**

Jim Abercrombie, General Manager  
El Dorado Irrigation District

Robert R. Hill, General Manager  
El Toro Water District

Mark J. Madison, General Manager  
Elk Grove Water District

John D. Vega, General Manager  
Elsinore Valley Municipal Water District

Nina Jazmadarian, General Manager  
Foothill Municipal Water District

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Malaga County Water District

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Mesa Water District

Tammy Rudock, General Manager  
Mid-Peninsula Water District

Mark Kinsey, General Manager  
Monte Vista Water District

David J. Stoldt, General Manager  
Monterey Peninsula Water Management District

John Kingsbury, Executive Director  
Mountain Counties Water Resources Assoc.

Kimberly A. Thorner, General Manager  
Olivenhain Municipal Water District

Michael R. Markus, P.E., General Manager  
Orange County Water District

Edward A. Castaneda, General Manager  
Orchard Dale Water District

Mark Watton, General Manager  
Otay Water District

Allen Carlisle, CEO/General Manager  
Padre Dam Municipal Water District

Einar Maisch, General Manager  
Placer County Water Agency

Jeffrey Armstrong, General Manager  
Rancho California Water District

John Woodling, Executive Director  
Regional Water Authority

Greg Thomas, General Manager  
Rincon Del Diablo Municipal Water District

Girish Balachandran, General Manager  
Riverside Public Utilities

Tom Coleman, General Manager  
Rowland Water District

Mary-Ann Warmerdam, Legislative Advocate  
Rural County Representatives of California

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Jeff Davis, General Manager  
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**Senate Bill 606 (Skinner/Hertzberg) – August 30, 2017**  
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Paul Helliker, General Manager  
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South Orange County Economic Coalition

John Rossi, General Manager  
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Zone 7 Water Agency

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Three Valleys Municipal Water District

cc: The Honorable Members, Senate Committee on Natural Resources and Water  
The Honorable Eduardo Garcia, Chairman, Assembly Committee on Water, Parks and Wildlife  
The Honorable Members, Assembly Water Conservation Working Group  
Mr. Dennis O'Connor, Principal Consultant, Senate Natural Resources and Water Committee  
Ms. Catherine Freeman, Chief Consultant, Assembly Committee on Water, Parks, and Wildlife  
Mr. Ryan Ojakian, Senior Consultant, Assembly Committee on Water, Parks, and Wildlife  
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Mr. Jim Metropulos, Legislative Director, Office of Assemblymember Laura Friedman  
Mr. Todd Moffitt, Consultant, Senate Republican Caucus  
Mr. Robert Spiegel, Consultant, Assembly Republican Caucus

## Dave Stoldt

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**From:** Stephanie Locke  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 31, 2017 3:13 PM  
**To:** jeffrey@a4we.org  
**Cc:** Dave Stoldt  
**Subject:** Support Bill(s) to Authorize WaterSense  
**Attachments:** MPWMD Logo.tif; MPWMD\_LOGO\_Color\_Process.eps

Hi Jeffrey,

The Monterey Peninsula Water Management District is pleased to support WaterSense. You may include us on all three bills (S 1137, HR 3248, and S 1700). Please let me know if these logos are acceptable.

Kind regards,

Stephanie Locke  
Water Demand Manager  
Monterey Peninsula Water Management District  
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831-658-5601 (Office)

## Dave Stoldt

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**From:** Dave Stoldt  
**Sent:** Monday, September 11, 2017 10:24 AM  
**To:** 'Adam Robin'  
**Subject:** RE: Request for logos: AB 1668/SB 606 floor alerts

Hi Adam,

Yes, keep MPWMD in on the floor alert.

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David J. Stoldt  
General Manager  
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**From:** Adam Robin [mailto:ARobin@rwah2o.org]  
**Sent:** Friday, September 8, 2017 3:07 PM  
**To:** Adam Robin <ARobin@rwah2o.org>  
**Subject:** Request for logos: AB 1668/SB 606 floor alerts

All:

As you may be aware, AB 1668/SB 606 were amended on September 6. As detailed in the issue update below, the amendments do not address the fundamental policy concerns detailed in the August 30<sup>th</sup> coalition letter.

**Please let us know ASAP if you would like your organization/client to be listed on the attached draft floor alert.** We will be producing an identical corresponding floor alert for AB 1668.

The legislative session ends next week. Due to the requirements of Proposition 54, any additional amendments to these bills will need to be in print no later than Tuesday, September 12. We will provide additional updates ASAP in the event that the bills are amended further.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks,

Adam W. Robin  
Regional Water Authority  
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### **ISSUE UPDATE**



September 11, 2017

The Honorable Mark Stone  
California State Assemblymember  
State Capitol, Room 3146  
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Assemblymember Stone:

The Monterey Peninsula Water Management District asks you to support Senate Concurrent Resolution (SCR) 80, introduced in the Senate on Aug. 23, that seeks to designate an annual Water Professionals Appreciation Week during the month of October.

Water Professionals Appreciation Week would provide a platform to highlight the important role of water industry professionals and local public water agencies in ensuring safe and reliable water, wastewater, and recycled water in California.

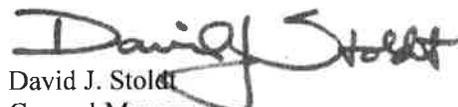
We would like you to support SCR 80 and consider adding on as a coauthor of the resolution. The legislature has until Sept. 15 to take action on the resolution.

Authored by Sen. Bill Dodd (D-Napa) and coauthored by Assembly Member Bill Quirk (D-Hayward), the Senate Concurrent Resolution would establish an annual Water Professionals Appreciation Week that would begin on the first Saturday of October and end on the Sunday of the following weekend each year. The timing of the week is planned for the month of October specifically because Oct. 1 marks the start of each new Water Year. It also allows members of the state Legislature to attend associated events while on interim recess.

During Water Professionals Appreciation Week, local water agencies would be encouraged to organize programs and events to educate their customers and other audiences and highlight the valuable role played by the water industry. It will also be an opportunity to promote jobs in the water industry as part of ACWA's Next Generation Initiative.

On behalf of the jurisdictions within the Monterey Peninsula, we appreciate the attention you personally give to us and your work for the good people of the Monterey Peninsula.

Sincerely yours,



David J. Stoldt  
General Manager

cc: MPWMD Board  
John Arriaga  
ACWA

## Dave Stoldt

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**From:** Dave Stoldt  
**Sent:** Monday, September 11, 2017 8:54 AM  
**To:** 'Cindy Tuck'  
**Subject:** RE: Bill Text - AB-747 Taxation: nitrogen-based fertilizer application: County of Monterey.

Hi Cindy,

It really only covers half of the intent of SB623 – the fertilizer part – and it is only local, so I doubt that Senator Monning will back off his bill. I think the proponents of SB 623 want a sweeping bill to deal with the issues state-wide and leverage a bigger source of revenue.

This one has three weaknesses:

Requires a vote

Limited revenue base

Sec 7287.20 (b) (1) only cites bottled water or a treatment device, but should be more inclusive of new water supply or connection to an existing domestic supply source.

I would imagine the fertilizer lobby will spend to defeat it at the ballot box.

Dave

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**From:** Cindy Tuck [mailto:CindyT@acwa.com]  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 10, 2017 11:41 AM  
**To:** Dave Stoldt <dstoldt@mpwmd.net>  
**Subject:** Fwd: Bill Text - AB-747 Taxation: nitrogen-based fertilizer application: County of Monterey.

Hi Dave - this new proposal just went into print. This could give Senator Monning a local solution. Your take on this would be helpful. Regards, Cindy

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

## Dave Stoldt

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**From:** Dave Stoldt  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 12, 2017 10:25 AM  
**To:** 'Adam Robin'; John Arriaga  
**Subject:** FW: AB 1668

Response --- FYI

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**From:** Ansel, Peter [mailto:Peter.Ansel@asm.ca.gov]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 12, 2017 10:19 AM  
**To:** Dave Stoldt <dstoldt@mpwmd.net>  
**Subject:** RE: AB 1668

Thank you Dave. I was at a hearing when you called and will share this position with the Assembly Member.

Regards,  
Peter  
Peter Ansel  
Legislative Assistant  
Assemblymember Caballero (D-30<sup>th</sup>)  
916-319-2030  
[Visit Assemblymember Anna Caballero Online](#)



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**From:** Dave Stoldt [mailto:dstoldt@mpwmd.net]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 12, 2017 10:16 AM  
**To:** Ansel, Peter  
**Subject:** AB 1668

Hi Peter,

We met in your offices earlier this year to discuss the Pure Water Monterey project and its nexus with 30<sup>th</sup> Assembly District stakeholders. Earlier today, I called your office to reach out on AB 1668 (and SB 606) in hopes of letting the Assemblymember know that many local water agencies in the Monterey-Salinas area oppose the bill unless amended. As I was unable to reach you, I am sending this note by email.

As you likely know, AB 1668/SB 606 were amended on September 6. However, we do not believe the amendments adequately addressed the fundamental policy concerns detailed in our August 30<sup>th</sup> coalition letter. As such, we encourage a position of oppose unless amended.

Thank you for your consideration on this.

Best regards,

Dave