

2007 CA State Legislative Session - Current Active Bills (October 2007 Update)

Bill Number	Status:	Short Summary	PWP Impact
<b>Energy Bills</b>			
AB 118 (Nunez): Alternative Fuel, Clean Air, and Carbon Reduction Act of 2007	Sen Vote: 21-18 - Assm Vote: 46-31 Enrollment - Gov's Desk	The bill would create the Alternative and Renewable Fuel and Vehicle Technology Program, to be administered by the Energy Commission, to provide, upon appropriation by the Legislature, grants, loans, loan guarantees, revolving loans, or other appropriate measures, to public agencies, businesses and projects, public-private partnerships, vehicle and technology consortia, workforce training partnerships and collaboratives, fleet owners, consumers, recreational boaters, and academic institutions to develop and deploy innovative technologies that transform California's fuel and vehicle types to help attain the state's climate change policies.	With the existing environmental requirements for GHG and CO2 and future use of alternative fuels, this program and appropriations for funding fuel research and clean technologies.
AB 809 (Blakeslee): Energy: renewable energy resources	Sen Vote: 25-12 - Assm Vote: 69-3 Enrollment - Gov's Desk	Incremental increase in the amount of electricity generated from a small hydroelectric generation facility as a result of efficiency improvements is an eligible renewable resources if 1) the increase is the result of efficiency improvements from a retrofit and 2) the facility has received certification from the State Water Resources Control Board or a regional board authorized to issue certification.	This bill would potentially provide PWP with additional eligible renewable resource if efficiency improvements are made to Azusa Hydro (PWP's small hydro facility).
SB 660 (Perata): Strategic Clean Technology and Climate Change Research, Development, and Demonstration Program	Sen Vote: 23-14 - Assm Vote: 46-29 Enrollment - Gov's Desk	This bill, would until 1/2012, Establishes the Research, Development & Demonstration (RD&D) Program and the Strategic Research Investment Council (Council) to coordinate the expenditure of various state RD&D funds, with a focus on climate change.	This bill will further address efforts in climate change and Greenhouse Gas emissions for the State and provide funds for research in that area..
<b>Water Bills</b>			
AB 1260 (Caballero): Prop 218 clarification	Chaptered by Gov: 10/5/07	Existing law, Prop 218 prescribes specific procedures and parameters for local jurisdictions to comply with Assessments.  This bill would define the term "record owner" as the person or entity who requests or receives the services for which the fee or charge is levied and who is directly liable to the agency for payment of the fee or charge.	This amendment will clarify the way public notices will be sent whenever a water rate increase will occur at PWP.
AB 1376 (Berryhill): Urban water management plan: comments.	Chaptered by Gov: 7/12/07	This bill would require PWP's urban water management plan (UWMP) (updated every 5 years) to notify city or county planning departments in the area served by the urban water supplier at least 60 days prior to the public hearing on the adoption of the plan.	This bill will have minimal impact on operations since the UWMP is updated every 5 years. Notification to the City or County planning department/commission will be established as part of the process for approval for the UWMP.
AB 1420 (Laird): Water Demand Management Measures	Sen Vote: 24-13 - Assm Vote: 47-29 Enrollment - Gov's Desk	Existing law requires DWR to take into <i>consideration</i> the agency's water demand management activities identified in their urban water management plan (UWMP) in evaluating grant and loan application from bond funds.  This bill would require the terms and eligibility of any state grant or loan by the State be <i>conditioned</i> on the applicant agency's implementation of its water demand management activities identified in their UWMP.	This bill would <u>require</u> PWP to ensure that water demand management activities 13 BMPS identified in its UWMP are actually being implemented in order to be considered for State water grants and loans.
SB 1029 (Ducheny): Drinking water standards	Sen Vote: 37-0 - Assm Vote: 77-0 Enrollment - Gov's Desk	This bill would require the Department of Finance, notwithstanding any other provision of law, to take no longer than 90 days, from the date of submission or resubmission of a rule or regulation by the State Department of Public Health to the Department of Finance relation to the MCL for primary or secondary drinking water standards.	If approved, this bill will require that State level agencies (Finance and Pub. Health) make a decision on Water MCL levels in less than 90 days to avoid delays for drinking water standards. PWP will benefit from no delays in rules and regulations at the State level.
SB 1002 (Perata): Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality and Supply, Flood Control, River and Coastal Protection Bond Act of 2006.	Sen Vote: 39-0 - Assm Vote: 78-0 Enrollment - Gov's Desk		Specific funding appropriations from Prop 84 and prop 1E funding approved by the voters last year...
<b>"Other" Bills</b>			
AB 236 (Lieu): Public resources: state and local motor vehicle fleets.	Sen Vote: 26-13 - Assm Vote: 46-28 Enrollment - Gov's Desk	This bill would require a city, county, city and county, and special district, including a school district and a community college district, when awarding a vehicle procurement contract, to consider evaluating and scoring <u>fuel economy &amp;</u> require that 75% of vehicle fleet be <u>energy efficient vehicles</u> . Vehicle Fleet = passenger cars or light-duty trucks, or both, to be acquired be energy-efficient vehicles.	This bill would require all future procurement of City and PWP fleet vehicles be considered for energy and fuel efficiency as required by the State. If approved, new fleet vehicle criteria's may cost the city and PWP additional dollars. This bill supports Action 14 of Pasadena's Green City Action Plan.
AB 888 (Lieu): Green Building Standards	Sen Vote: 21-18 - Assm Vote: 45-32 Enrollment - Gov's Desk	This bill would require new commercial buildings for which a public agency deems the application for a development project complete on or after Jan 1, 2013 and that are 50,000 square feet or greater, be designed, constructed, and operated, to meet the applicable standards described in the United States Green Building Council's LEED gold rating or its equivalent, unless the state adopts specified minimum green building standards, in which case, those commercial buildings would be required to meet the adopted standards..	This bill will affect the way Planning & Development staff approve new commercial development applications.