State Water Resources Control Board



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DIVISION OF WATER RIGHTS

CALIFORNIA WATER SUPPLY STRATEGY - DIVISION OF WATER RIGHTS

Water Rights Modernization (Action 4.3)

Updating Water Rights Data for California (UPWARD)

The Division of Water Rights held an information item on its new water rights information system, the California Water Accounting, Tracking, and Reporting System (CalWATRS). The new system will help the state better manage water rights and make it easier for the public to access important information. The Division plans to hold a public workshop to demonstrate system features and answer questions on November 12, 2025. Details and additional information can be found on the CalWATRS website: waterboards.ca.gov/upward/calwatrs.

Supply & Demand Assessment

The Division of Water Rights continues to develop water supply models, water demand datasets, and water allocation tools for selected watersheds across California. Staff are actively engaging with agencies, partners, water users, and other interested parties to share information on the Supply and Demand Assessment Program and the models and tools that are under development.

Staff previously announced a public review for the draft model report prepared for the Navarro River. That review period closed on October 9, 2025, with no comments submitted. Staff will make the draft model reports for the Gualala River and Salmon Creek watersheds available in the near future and will announce review periods by email to subscribers of the Watershed Supply & Demand Assessments subscription list.

In the past month, staff met with the San Mateo Resource Conservation District and Trout Unlimited regarding the Pescadero Creek watershed and Greater San Gregario Creek watershed (September 24, 2025) and the Russian River Water Sharing Program (October 15, 2025) regarding the Russian River watershed. More information on the Supply and Demand Assessment Program webpage (www.waterboards.ca.gov/sda).

Groundwater Recharge (Action 2.1)

On October 15, 2025 the Division of Water Rights issued a 5-year temporary permit to Stockton East Water District. The Division previously issued three 180-day temporary permits for the project. The temporary permit allows the District to divert up to 4,999 acre-feet from December 1 until May 31 annually for five years. Diversion is authorized at one point of diversion on Rock Creek, tributary to the San Joaquin River in San Joaquin County. The permit includes diversion criteria limiting diversions to high flows, following the Board's streamlined approach Method 1 (i.e., 90/20 method) and Method 2 (flood threat). Diverted water will be stored underground in the underlying Eastern San Joaquin Subbasin for municipal use in the greater City of Stockton area

and irrigation use primarily on lands within the District associated with recharge infiltration. Infiltration facilities include 912 acres of on-farm recharge, existing recharge basins, and along an existing earthen-bottom canal.

The Division of Water Rights continues processing five recharge temporary permit applications. More information on these filings is available at: Pending Temporary Permits for Underground Storage consistent with Governor Executive Orders | California State Water Resources Control Board

DIVISON OF WATER RIGHTS

Permitting and Enforcement Branch

Water Right Petitions and Licensing: Between July 1, 2025 and September 30, 2025, the Division of Water Rights completed 24 petitions and 1 license. See table below for more details of the completed petitions and license.

Primary Owner	Application ID	Petition Type	Date Completed	Brief Description
CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES AND UNITED STATES BUREAU OF RECLAMATION	A014443 A000023 A000234 A001465 A005626 A005628 A005638 A009363 A009364 A009368 A013370 A013371 A015374 A015375 A015764 A016767 A017374 A017376	Temporary Transfer	07/21/2025	Approved a petition for temporary change in the place of use of license and permits of the California Department of Water Resources and the United States Bureau of Reclamation. The maximum total exchange quantity approved was up to 392,800 acre-feet (af) of water.
SONOMA COUNTY WATER AGENCY	A019351	Temporary Urgency Change	08/18/2025	Approved the temporary urgency change to add a point of rediversion to conduct an aquifer storage and recovery (ASR) pilot study at an existing well in the Santa Rosa Plain groundwater basin.

FULTON WATER COMPANY	A018248 A019510	Extension of Time, Change, Revocation, License Issuance	08/22/2025	Approved the petition for change, extension of time, and license issuance (A019510) and cancelled the petitions for change and extension of time and revoked permit (A018248).
VINEYARD CLUB INC	A026224	Change	08/22/2025	Approved a petition for change in point of diversion and issuance of an amended license.

Bay Delta, Hearings, and Special Projects Branch

Stage 2 Joint Points of Diversion (JPOD) Approval: On September 26, 2025, the State Water Board received a request from the U.S Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation) and California Department of Water Resources (DWR) to use Stage 2 JPOD starting October 13 for Reclamation's planned maintenance on their facilities that would affect pumping operations. Decision 1641 allows DWR and Reclamation to use each other's points of diversion in the Delta to divert or redivert water at different stages which are subject to Executive Director approval. The State Water Board approved the use of Stage 2 JPOD for the planned maintenance period between October 13 and December 31, 2025.

Water Quality Certification, Flows, Data, and Administrative Branch

Scott River and Shasta River Watersheds: On September 26, 2025, the Governor approved Assembly Bill (AB) 263 and it was chaptered by the Secretary of State. AB 263 extends the emergency regulation that was adopted by the Board in January 2025 through January 1, 2031, or until permanent rules establishing and implementing long-term flow requirements are adopted, whichever occurs first. Additionally, the bill requires that the Board must provide annual public updates on its progress towards developing permanent flows rules for the rivers that provide an opportunity for public comment. Below is the current status of regulation implementation in each watershed.

- Shasta River Watershed: The Shasta River watershed has recently received significant precipitation, which has increased river flows. The State Water Board issued Addendum 5 to Order WR 2024-0006-DWR, suspending all curtailments in the Shasta River watershed in mid-October 2025 based on current hydrologic conditions, forecasted precipitation, historic flow trends, and discussion with the Scott valley and Shasta Valley Watermaster.
- <u>Diversions for Inefficient Livestock Watering:</u> The current curtailment regulation includes provisions that must be satisfied before diversions for inefficient livestock watering diversions can occur. On October 9, 2025 for the Shasta River and October 14, 2025 for the Scott River, the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) made the

determination that there have been sufficient flows to stimulate migration of Chinook salmon into the watersheds, which allows for diversions for inefficient livestock watering to occur. Right holders must still notify staff via email to ScottShastaFlows@waterboards.ca.gov and confirm any other applicable provisions are satisfied

Staff continue to monitor stream flows and watershed conditions and will share future updates and curtailment announcements via the Board's Scott River and Shata River watersheds webpage and "Scott-Shasta Drought & Flow Efforts" email list. More information on the regulation is available on the webpage (https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/drought/scott_shasta_rivers/).

Hell Hole Seasonal Storage Increase Improvement Project: On October 1, 2025, the Executive Director issued a water quality certification for Placer County Water Agency's Hell Hole Seasonal Storage Increase Improvement Project (Project). The Project is part of the Middle Fork American River Project and is located in Placer County, 45 miles northeast of Georgetown, California. The Project consists of modifications to the Hell Hole Spillway to allow for additional water storage in the Hell Hole Reservoir during the spring and summer and compliance with ramping rate requirements of the Middle Fork American River Project. The Project also includes the construction of a new control building, transformer, propane tank, and security fence. The certification is available on the Division of Water Rights' water quality certifications webpage (https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/waterrights/water_issues/programs/water_quality_cert/401_certi fications.html).

Sites Reservoir Project: On September 15, 2025, the State Water Board received an application for water quality certification for the Sites Reservoir Project (Project) from the Sites Project Authority (Authority). The Authority is proposing to construct an off-stream reservoir within Glenn and Colusa counties that could store up to 1.5 million acre-feet of water. A United States Army Corps of Engineers permit and a water quality certification from the state are needed for construction of the Project. The total area for construction associated with the Project is approximately 27,000 acres. Additional information is available on the Project's webpage (https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/waterrights/water issues/programs/water quality cert/sites.htm I).

Potter Valley Hydroelectric Project: State Water Board staff held scoping meetings in support of the Board's development of an environmental impact report for Pacific Gas and Electric Company's surrender and decommissioning of the Potter Valley Hydroelectric Project (hydroelectric project) on the following dates: October 14 (Fortuna); October 15 (Ukiah and Santa Rosa); and October 17 (Sacramento and virtual). Comments in response to the Board's Notice of Preparation of an environmental impact report for the surrender and decommissioning of the hydroelectric project are due by 4:00 pm on November 3, 2025. Additional information is available on the hydroelectric project webpage (https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/waterrights/water_issues/programs/water_quality_cert/potter_v

alley ferc77.html).

DIVISION OF WATER QUALITY

Informal Draft Pest Control Permit Issuance

On Friday, September 26, 2025, State Water Resources Control Board released an informal draft of the statewide National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Pest Control Permit for a 45-day public comment period. Public comments are due on Wednesday, November 12, 2025.

Staff held two virtual public workshops on Thursday, October 16 and Tuesday, October 21, 2025. At the workshops, staff explained draft permit requirements and responded to oral questions.

A copy of the informal draft Pest Control Permit and instructions on submitting comments are posted on:

NPDES - Pest Control Permit | California State Water Resources Control Board

Staff contact: Gurgagn Chand at Gurgagn.Chand@waterboards.ca.gov

Stormwater Capture and Use Workshop

To support the stormwater capture goals identified in the Governor's Water Supply Strategy, the State Water Resources Control Board will hold a public workshop on November 18, 2025, during its regularly scheduled Board Meeting. Staff, invited experts, and practitioners will provide updates on current projects and highlight case studies that demonstrate practical approaches to overcoming regulatory, funding, and technical barriers. Topics will include an overview of the State Water Board's Strategy to Optimize Resource Management of Stormwater (STORMS) program, examples of local capture and use projects such as public lands irrigation and school greening, and discussion of funding opportunities, including stormwater credit systems and state financial assistance. Members of the public are encouraged to attend and provide input.

The workshop marks the start of a planning period in which the STORMS Unit will evaluate and develop potential projects to address key barriers to broader stormwater capture and use. Input from Board members, local municipalities, health departments, nongovernmental organizations, researchers, and the public will help identify additional opportunities, refine priorities, and shape next steps. Where needed, targeted workgroups may be convened to build on workshop discussions, including exploration of recommendations related to the safe use of stormwater for irrigating public lands and other community applications.

More details, including an agenda and information on how to participate, will be posted on the <u>STORMS website</u>. Interested parties are encouraged to <u>sign up for the Stormwater Strategy</u> <u>email list</u> to receive notifications and the latest updates.

Staff contacts: Shulamit Shroder (shulamit Shroder (shulamit Shroder@waterboards.ca.gov) and Robert Kent (shulamit Shroder@waterboards.ca.gov)

Stormwater Industrial and Construction General Permits Enforcement

The Division of Water Quality issued several reminder notices to regulated dischargers who have been enrolled in the Stormwater Industrial and Construction General Permits regarding key regulatory deadlines. These reminders were initially sent via email, followed by hard copy Notices of Violation (NOVs) for noncompliance, specifically for failure to submit Annual Reports and failure to obtain permit coverage.

For the Stormwater Industrial General Permit, approximately 1,000 first NOVs and 600 second NOVs were mailed to dischargers who did not submit the Annual Reports by the July 15, 2025 deadline. Similarly, for the Stormwater Construction General Permit, approximately 1,100 NOVs were issued following the September 1, 2025 due date for Annual Report submissions.

Additionally, September 1, 2025 marked the end of the regulatory transition from the 2009 Stormwater Construction General Permit to the 2022 Stormwater Construction General Permit. Dischargers with ongoing construction activities were required to obtain coverage under the updated permit. As part of this transition, approximately 4,400 records were administratively terminated, and ~ 3,700 NOVs were issued. These NOVs directed dischargers to contact the Division of Water Quality to update the status of their construction sites.

October 1, 2025 was the deadline for dischargers operating under a No Exposure Certification (NEC) for the Stormwater Industrial General Permit to verify their facilities continue to meet the conditions of no exposure. The Division of Water Quality issued approximately 5,000 NOVs to dischargers who failed to complete the annual recertification.

All NOVs were entered into the Stormwater Multiple Application and Report Tracking System (smarts.waterboards.ca.gov).

Irrigated Lands Regulatory Program Update: The Irrigated Lands Regulatory reports are included in Appendix A of this report.

Statewide Policies and Significant General Permits: The Statewide Policies and Significant General Permits report can be accessed at the Statewide and Regional Policies / Significant General Permits website.

DIVISION OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Office of Sustainable Water Solutions (OSWS)

Planning/Construction Project Summary

The tables below summarize the planning and construction agreements and amendments executed in the month of September 2025.

Drinking Water

	Drinking Water Funding Agreements Executed (September 2025)										
PWSID	PWS Benefiting	Project Number	Project Recipient	Project Description	Funding Amount	SAFER Status					
	MD#24 Teaford Meadow Lakes		(MD24 - Teaford	Project addresses exceedances for arsenic, iron, and manganese.	\$4,661,800	Failing					

	Drinking Water Funding Agreements Amended (September 2025)										
PWSID	PWS Benefiting	Project Number	Project Recipient	Amendment Type	Amendment Purpose	SAFER Status					
CA1000063	New Auberry Water Association			Funding Increase & Time Extension	Funding increase of \$1,443,283 and Construction Completion date of 12/1/2024 to 12/1/2027	Not at Risk					
CA2010010	Madera Valley Water Company	2010010-001P	Madera Valley Water Company	Time Extension	Work Completion date of 12/31/2024 to 12/31/2026	Not at Risk					
CA3310007 CA3301937	City of Coachella, Mesquite Mutual Water Co.	3310007-002C		Funding Increase & Time Extension	Funding increase of \$990,483 and Construction Completion Date of 12/31/2023 to 12/31/2025	Potentially At Risk					

Wastewater

No new wastewater agreements or amendments were executed in September 2025.

Administrator Summary

Two administrator projects were amended and executed in September 2025.

Designated System	Administrator	Date Funding Executed	Connections	Population	Total Amount Approved
Norcal Water Works	Provost & Pritchard	09/08/25	17	45	\$1,166,558 (no change)
Sierra Vista Association	Provost & Pritchard	09/08/25	13	44	\$1,166,558 (no change)

Operation and Maintenance (O&M) Summary

No O&M projects were executed in September 2025.

Technical Assistance (TA) Summary

TA Master Agreements & Amendments

No new TA master agreements or amendments were executed in September 2025.

TA Work Plans

DFA is providing Technical Assistance to 342 Drinking Water Systems (196 Failing and 41 At-Risk systems) and to 61 Wastewater Systems. 48% of all Failing systems are receiving TA. The table below summarizes the TA work plans executed in the month of September 2025.

Work Plan Type	Work Plan No.	TA Recipient	PWSID	Project Description	TA Provider*	TA Type**	Total Amount Approved	SAFER Status	Primary MCL Violation***
New Work Plan	7283-A	Hometown Colonial Estates	CA3400217	Feasibility Study	CUWA	DW	\$123,988 (New Work Plan)		N/A
New Work Plan	7286-A	Sierra North CSD		Outstanding technical tasks (tech and env package) from AR 6414	GHD	DW	\$481,921 (New Work Plan)	0	Fluoride

Work Plan Type	Work Plan No.	TA Recipient	PWSID	Project Description	TA Provider*	TA Type**	Total Amount Approved	SAFER Status	Primary MCL Violation***
New Work Plan	7304-A	Lanare CSD (WW)	No PWSID (WW)	Rate Study	SHE	WW	\$47,063 (New Work Plan)	No PWSID (WW)	No PWSID (WW)
New Work Plan	7306-A	Pinyon Pines	CA3301512	Feasibility Study	GHD	DW	\$112,194 (New Work Plan)	Failing	N/A
New Work Plan	_	South Kern MWC and Old River MWC	CA1500096 CA1500344	100% P&S only	P&P	DW	\$69,393 (New Work Plan)	0	1,2,3- Trichloropropane; Combined Uranium
Work Plan Amendment		Tooleville		Tasks for this work plan include Planning Funding Administration/As sistance, Consolidation Coordination and Assistance, Preparing Engineering Report, and Support in Submitting Funding Applications to Support the Consolidation Project	SHE	DW	\$190,542 (\$49,023 Decrease)	Failing	N/A
Work Plan Amendment	5243-I	Richgrove CSD, Rodriguez Labor Camp	CA5400735	Consolidation project resolving Rodriguez Labor	SHE	DW	\$41,739 (\$156,085 Decrease)	#N/A	#N/A

Work Plan Type	Work Plan No.	TA Recipient	PWSID	Project Description	TA Provider*	TA Type**	Total Amount Approved	SAFER Status	Primary MCL Violation***
			CA5410024	Camp's Nitrate MCL Violation				Failing	1,2,3- Trichloropropane; Arsenic; Nitrate
Work Plan Amendment	6251-E	Patteson Tract CSD	CA5402038	Full planning project to consolidate with Cal Water Visalia	UEI	DW	\$675,466 (\$206,367 Increase)	Not At- Risk	N/A
Work Plan Amendment	6871-D	Lake Alpine Water Company	CA0210001	Full Planning to address DBP contamination	RCAC	DW	\$139,418 (No Change)	At-Risk	N/A
Work Plan Amendment	6938-D	Callahan Water District	CA4700503	Audited financials	RCAC	DW	\$45,325 (\$18,745 Increase)	Failing	N/A
Work Plan Amendment	7032-B	Soults Tract and Lone Oak	No PWSID (Waste Water)	Construction app/Outreach	SHE	WW	\$158,533 (\$7,316 Decrease)		No PWSID (Waste Water)
Work Plan Amendment	7044-B	Rolling Hills MWC/Foster Road MWC Consolidation	CA4200556 CA4200851	Full Planning	P&P	DW	\$593,576 (\$153,417 Increase)	Failing	N/A
Work Plan Amendment	7104-B	Prunedale Regional Project	CA2700534	Feasibility Study	P&P	DW	\$679,465 (No Change)	Failing	Nitrate
			CA2700552					Failing	Arsenic; TTHM
			CA2700553					#N/A	#N/A
			CA2700555					#N/A	#N/A
			CA2700574					#N/A	#N/A
			CA2700619					#N/A	#N/A
			CA2700623					#N/A	#N/A

Work Plan Type	Work Plan No.	TA Recipient	PWSID	Project Description	TA Provider*	TA Type**	Total Amount Approved	SAFER Status	Primary MCL Violation***
			CA2700658					#N/A	#N/A
			CA2700659					#N/A	#N/A
			CA2700661					#N/A	#N/A
			CA2700665					Failing	Nitrate; Nitrate- Nitrite
			CA2700695					#N/A	#N/A
			CA2700696					#N/A	#N/A
			CA2700702					At-Risk	N/A
			CA2700745					#N/A	#N/A
			CA2700777					#N/A	#N/A
			CA2700778					#N/A	#N/A
			CA2700780					#N/A	#N/A
			CA2700838					Failing	Nitrate
			CA2701235					#N/A	#N/A
			CA2701243					#N/A	#N/A
			CA2701400					#N/A	#N/A
			CA2701440					#N/A	#N/A
			CA2701454					#N/A	#N/A
			CA2701474					#N/A	#N/A
			CA2701548					#N/A	#N/A
			CA2701549					#N/A	#N/A
			CA2701556					#N/A	#N/A
			CA2701925					#N/A	#N/A
			CA2701926					Failing	Arsenic
			CA2701962					#N/A	#N/A
			CA2701992					#N/A	#N/A
			CA2702201					#N/A	#N/A

Work Plan Type	Work Plan No.	TA Recipient	PWSID	Project Description	TA Provider*	TA Type**	Total Amount Approved	SAFER Status	Primary MCL Violation***
			CA2702309					#N/A	#N/A
			CA2702357					#N/A	#N/A
			CA2702599					#N/A	#N/A
			CA2702608					Failing	Nitrate
Work Plan Amendment	7144-B	Armona CSD	CA1610001	Outreach	SHE	DW	\$71,342 (No Change)	Potentiall y At-Risk	N/A
Work Plan Amendment	7273-B	Little Lake MHP		Feasibility Study for a collapsed well	P&P	DW	\$442,254 (\$342,410 Increase)		N/A

* TA Providers:

Coleman SB Coleman, Inc., dba Sanbell Sacramento

CRWA California Rural Water Association

CWC Community Water Center

CUWA California Urban Water Agencies
CWH Council for Watershed Health

GHD GHD, Inc.

LCJA Leadership Counsel for Justice and Accountability

NV5 NV5

P&P Provost & Pritchard Consulting Group RCAC Rural Community Assistance Corporation

SHE Self-Help Enterprises

UCD University of California, Davis

UEI University Enterprise, Inc (CSU Sacramento)

^{**} DW = drinking water; WW = wastewater

^{***} Failing system with no primary MCL violation. Failing status due to water source reliability/capacity or

Other Safe and Affordable Funding for Equity and Resilience (SAFER) Program Project Summary (includes Safe and Affordable Drinking Water Fund, Proposition 84 Emergency, General Fund, and CAA Urgent Drinking Water Needs funding sources)

PWSID	PWS Benefiting	Project Number	Project Description	Funding Amount or Increase	Category	SAFER Status
CA3301529	Ramona Water Company	D1918125	The purpose is to amend an existing agreement for bottled water assistance to Ramona Water Company for an additional two years.	\$153,694	Interim Solution	Failing

Emergency Repair Funding Programs

PWSID	SAFER	Water System	TA Provider	Emergency	Project Scope	Total Amount
	Status	Requesting Assistance		Type		Approved
CA5400641	Failing	Teviston CSD	Self-Help Enterprises	Well 03 Repair	This addendum approved an additional \$6,468.03. The project consists of rebuilding and reinstalling the well 03 pump, including installing a new motor, two sections of column pipe and 500' of new cable.	\$52,949.30

Cleanup and Abatement Account Projects

The Lahontan Water Board received approval for Tier 1 Cleanup and Abatement Account (CAA) funding in the amount of \$83,350 on September 11, 2025. The CAA funding approval is to mitigate public nuisance and human health and environmental threats from an unauthorized release of petroleum products from a residential underground storage tank (UST) located at 3392 East River Park Drive in South Lake Tahoe, CA. The UST owner does not have the means or ability to implement cleanup actions.

Schools Grant Programs

<u>Drinking Water for Schools Round 2 Grant Program</u> No updates for September 2025.

Bottled Water for Schools Grant Program

The following renewals were approved in September 2025.

District Name	School Name	Water System Name	PWSID	SAFER Status	Type of Approval	Duration	Number of Students/ Staff
Delphic	Delphic	Delphic	CA4700591	Failing	Renewal	Until February 2026	74
Elementary	Elementary School	Elementary		_		-	
School District	-	School					

University Enterprises Incorporated – PFAS Sampling Program

This program provides technical assistance to water systems for collecting and analyzing drinking water well samples for Per-and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS) at all wells serving disadvantaged communities and severely disadvantaged communities, as required by State Water Board Order DW 2024-0002-DDW. Sampling and analysis services are provided by University Enterprises Incorporated, Office of Water Programs and their partners at no cost to the water systems. All drinking water wells will be sampled at least once. A second round of sampling will be decided by the State Water Board after the first round of sampling is complete. To date, 100% of eligible water systems (1,132 of 1,132) are registered to be sampled and 2,951 wells out of the 3,524 scheduled have been sampled.

Loans and Grants Branch (L&G)

Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF)

	Drinking Water Funding Agreements Executed (September 2025)							
PWSID	PWS Benefiting	Project Number	Project Recipient	Project Description	Funding Amount	SAFER Status		
	Groundwater							
		D2512501	City of Modesto	The project is the implementation of the prior Prop 1 planning project to prevent/cleanup arsenic, nitrate, and uranium impacts in the City's drinking water aquifers and enhance the groundwater supply resiliency.	\$9,434,145			
			Lead Service	Line				
CA1210016	McKinleyville C.S.D.	1210016-001P	McKinleyville Community Services District	MCSD has done extensive research on methods set forth by the California Water Boards and US EPA for completing the inventory of the water service lines. The District's service lines need to be assessed.	\$25,128	Not at Risk		
CA4510003	Burney Water District	4510003-003P	Burney Water District	The proposed Lead Service Line Inventory Project would complete the District's side and the customer's side of the service such that the District could complete the required inventory for all water services throughout the District's service area boundary.		Not at Risk		

Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF)

Clean Water Funding Agreements Executed (September 2025)						
Project Number	Project Recipient	Project Description	Funding Amount			
8807-110	Union Sanitary District	The Project will upgrade the existing waste activated sludge thickening system at the Alvarado WWTP to improve reliability and efficiency of Union Sanitary District's thickening and digestion processes, thereby improving the efficiency and reliability of the entire treatment plant.	\$22,500,000			

Clean Water Funding Agreements Amended (September 2025)						
	Water Recycling					
Project Number	Project Number Project Recipient Amendment Type Amendment Purpose					
8698-110	8698-110 Ontario, City Of Time Extension Completion of Construction Date of 9/30/2025 to 12/31/202					

CALIFORNIA STORMWATER QUALITY ASSOCIATION (CASQA) ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Program Support Unit (PSU) marketing and outreach staff participated as exhibitors at the CASQA Conference September 15 through September 17, 2025, in Pasadena, California to conduct marketing and outreach. The CASQA Annual Conference is the premier destination for stormwater professionals to obtain the latest information about water policy in California and to network with other water industry professionals. The conference offered a unique opportunity to interact with leading members of the stormwater community including local, state, and federal decision makers, stormwater program coordinators, contractors, consultants, engineers, lawyers, scientists, and planners. CASQA is focused on solutions that maximize stormwater capture, minimize pollution through true source control, increase funding for stormwater programs, and approach stormwater as a resource.

As exhibitors at this event, PSU marketing and outreach staff continued to increase awareness of the financial assistance programs implemented and administered by DFA. Furthermore, PSU marketing and outreach staff had the opportunity to promote and inform those attending the conference of the funding options, benefits, and updates of the Storm Water Grant Program (SWGP). The purpose of the SWGP is to fund storm water and dry weather runoff projects that best advance the Water Board's policy goals of improving water quality and realizing multiple benefits from the use of storm water and dry weather runoff as a resource. In summary, SWGP has provided multi-benefit storm water management

projects such as green infrastructure, rainwater and storm water capture projects and storm water treatment facilities. The US EPA awards the Sewer Overflow and Stormwater Reuse Municipal Grants (OSG) Funding to states on an annual basis through 2026. California has been awarded OSG Funding and is currently administering it through the Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) program.

DIVISION OF DRINKING WATER

Permits

Permits are issued when a public water system undertakes action that may impact public health (i.e. a new source of supply, modifying treatment or adding a large distribution reservoir), when the original permit has numerous amendments, or following new regulations or conditions that DDW deems necessary for the protection of public health.

The following 44 permits were uploaded between September 16, 2025, and October 12, 2025.

Water System	Permit Type	Permit Purpose
USDA-FOREST SERVICE PRINCESS CAMPGROUND	FULL PERMIT	UPDATE PERMIT PROVISIONS
USDA-FOREST SERVICE HUME LAKE CAMPGROUND	FULL PERMIT	UPDATE PERMIT PROVISIONS
CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL WEST	FULL PERMIT	NEW WELL 03, CONTINUOUS CHLORINATION, NEW STORAGE TANK, AND CURRENT OPERATIONS
SANDY CREEK VILLAGE MHP	FULL PERMIT	CHANGE OF OWNERSHIP
SHAVER LAKE POINT 2	FULL PERMIT	RECLASSIFICATION FROM CWS TO TNC
BUTTONWILLOW TIGER MART	FULL PERMIT	NEW WATER SYSTEM - INITIAL PERMIT
WISHON VILLAGE	FULL PERMIT	UPDATE PERMIT PROVISIONS
CITY OF ATWATER	PERMIT AMENDMENTS	ADDITION OF WELL 20A AND GAC TREATMENT
INTERSTATE 5 UTILITY COMPANY	FULL PERMIT	REVISE OUTDATED PERMIT
WESTLANDS WATER DISTRICT	FULL PERMIT	REVISE OUTDATED PERMIT
APOSTOLIC TABERNACLE	FULL PERMIT	UPDATE PERMIT CONDITIONS
LOWER LINE CREEK IMPRVMNT ASSN	FULL PERMIT	REVISE OUTDATED PERMIT
RIO LINDO ADVENTIST ACADEMY	FULL PERMIT	REVISE OUTDATED PERMIT
APPLE VALLEY FARMS	FULL PERMIT	REPLACEMENT OF A NEW WELL

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NPS-HOSPITAL ROCK	FULL PERMIT	REVISE OUTDATED PERMIT
MEADOW LAKES CLUB	FULL PERMIT	REVISE OUTDATED PERMIT
LOS ANGELES	PERMIT	CHANGE STATUS OF WELLS 4-36 &
CWWD 40 REG 4 &	AMENDMENTS	4-90 TO ACTIVE AND 4-64 & 4-69 TO
34 LANCASTER	AMILIADIMLIATO	STANDBY
	ELUL DEDMIT	
OCEAN'S EDGE	FULL PERMIT	REVISE OUTDATED PERMIT
ESTATES		
HOLLAND HEIGHTS	FULL PERMIT	REVISE OUTDATED PERMIT
MUTUAL WATER		
COMPANY		
SIGNAL HILL - CITY,	PERMIT	ADDITION OF WELL 10 (NEW)
WATER DEPT.	AMENDMENTS	ADDITION OF WELL TO (NEW)
		LIDDATE DEDMIT CONDITIONS
USFS SOURGRASS	FULL PERMIT	UPDATE PERMIT CONDITIONS
CAMPGD		
USFS HULL CREEK	FULL PERMIT	UPDATE PERMIT CONDITIONS
CAMPGD		
CAL AM - BASS	FULL PERMIT	CHANGE OF OWNERSHIP
LAKE		
IMPERIAL, CITY OF	PERMIT	GAC EXPANSION PROJECT
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PINE HILL EGG	FULL PERMIT	INITIAL PERMIT – NEWLY
RANCH		DISCOVERED SYSTEM
USFS CLARK FORK	FULL PERMIT	UPDATE PERMIT CONDITIONS
CAMPD		
CIENEGA WINERY	FULL PERMIT	INITIAL PERMIT – NEW WATER
		SYSTEM
USFS	FULL PERMIT	REVISE OUTDATED PERMIT
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CGD		
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MANTECA, CITY OF	FULL PERMIT	REVISE OUTDATED PERMIT
STOCKTON EAST	PERMIT	ADDITION OF EXTRACTION WELL
WATER DISTRICT	AMENDMENTS	NO. 2
SAN JOSE WATER	PERMIT	WILLIAMS STATION
	AMENDMENTS	CHLORAMINATION
JORDAN VINEYARD	FULL PERMIT	REVISED OUTDATED PERMIT
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SONOMA COUNTY	PERMIT	ADD TRANSMEMBRANE PRESSURE
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CSA 41-SALMON	AMENDMENT	& LOG REMOVAL MONITORING
CREEK		PROVISION
RIALTO, CITY OF	PERMIT	CHANGE MIRO-2 WELL FROM
	AMENDMENTS	STANDBY TO ACTIVE
LEE'S FRONTIER	FULL PERMIT	TRANSFER FROM LPA - INITIAL
		PERMIT
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USFS FRASER FLAT CAMPGD	FULL PERMIT	REVISED PERMIT CONDITIONS
PHOENIX LAKE ESTATES CC MWC	FULL PERMIT	ADDITION OF CONTINUOUS CLORINATION TREATMENT
MADERA CO MD10A-MADERA RANCHOS	PERMIT AMENDMENTS	TO CONTAIN REQUIRED PERMIT CONDITIONS
GRANT MARKET WATER SYSTEM	FULL PERMIT	FOOD FACILITY – NEW PERMIT
SHASTA MARKET	FULL PERMIT	FOOD FACILITY – NEW PERMIT
CITY OF FULLERTON	PERMIT AMENDMENTS	ADDITION OF WELL 8 AT EXISTING PFAS TREATMENT FACILITY
TPWC DBA QUARRY LAKE WINERY	FULL PERMIT	ISSUE REVISED PERMIT
CITY OF SANTA ANA	PERMIT AMENDMENTS	CHANGE OF STATUS WELLS 18 AND 24 INACTIVE, WELL 32 ACTIVE, ADD WELL 32 TO GARTHE RESERVOIR BLENDING TREATMENT PLANT
JOHNSON'S BEACH RESORT	FULL PERMIT	CHANGE OF OWNERSHIP

Violations & Enforcement Actions

Violations for a water system include whether the system has failed to follow established monitoring and reporting schedules, failed to comply with mandated treatment techniques, violated any Maximum Contaminant Levels, or failed to communicate required information to their customers. Enforcement Actions are used to obtain compliance with drinking water requirements to provide a safe and reliable supply of water. The Division of Drinking Water's formal enforcement actions involve the use of statutory authority and include issuance of citations and/or compliance orders.

The following enforcement actions were documented between September 14 and October 14, 2025.

Public Water System	Violation	Contaminant or Rule
		DROUGHT ORDER - FAIL TO RPT
AMEZCUA - GARCIA WATER	Reporting	DROUGHT INFO
ANZA MUTUAL WATER COMPANY	Reporting	FAILURE TO COMPLETE AN ANNUAL REPORT
		VIOLATION OF A PERMIT
APPLE MARKET TWO	Other	CONDITION
		DROUGHT ORDER - FAIL TO RPT
APPLE MARKET TWO	Reporting	DROUGHT INFO
ARBUCKLE PUBLIC UTILITY		
DISTRICT	Monitoring	RTCR

	Treatment	FAILURE - SEASONAL STARTUP
BEAR RIVER LAKE RESORT	Technique	PROCEDURES
BEAR RIVER LAKE RESORT	Monitoring	RTCR
		DROUGHT ORDER - FAIL TO RPT
BLYTHE MOBILE HOME ESTATES	Reporting	DROUGHT INFO
BOLO STATION RV PARK &		
SNACK BAR	Monitoring	RTCR
BONNY DOON SCHOOL	Other	CCR §64554 – SRC CAPACITY
BRAVO FARMS TRAVER	Monitoring	COLIFORM
BRAVO FARMS TRAVER	Monitoring	E. COLI
BUD FINE MWC	Monitoring	LT2ESWTR
	Treatment	
BURNT RANCH ESTATES	Technique	SWTR
CARVER TRACT MUTUAL WATER		DROUGHT ORDER - FAIL TO RPT
COMP	Reporting	DROUGHT INFO
CHUCKWALLA VALLEY RACEWAY		DROUGHT ORDER - FAIL TO RPT
WATER SYSTEM	Reporting	DROUGHT INFO
		FAILURE TO COMPLETE AN
COUNTRY CORNERS	Reporting	ANNUAL REPORT
CUTLER PUD	MCL	NITRATE
CUTLER PUD	MCL	1,2,3 TCP
		VIOLATION OF A PERMIT
CUTLER PUD	Other	CONDITION
CUYAMA LANE WATER		LUTD A TE
COMPANY	MCL	NITRATE
DEER CREEK RV PARK	Monitoring	COLIFORM
DEER CREEK RV PARK	Monitoring	E. COLI
DESTINY MCINTYRE RV		DROUGHT ORDER - FAIL TO RPT
CAMPGROUND	Reporting	DROUGHT INFO
DI GIORGIO SCHOOL WATER	NACI	F 6011
SYSTEM	MCL	E. COLI
DI GIORGIO SCHOOL WATER	Donorting	
SYSTEM	Reporting	GROUNDWATER RULE
FALLS PICNIC WATER SYSTEM	Treatment Technique	FAILURE - SEASONAL STARTUP PROCEDURES
FOSTER ROAD MUTUAL WATER	. 30	CCR §64602 – WATER OUTAGE
COMPANY	Other	(DROUGHT)
GROVER LANDSCAPE WATER		, , , , , ,
SYSTEM	MCL	NITRATE

HARMONY FARMS EVENT		FAILURE TO COMPLETE AN
CENTER	Reporting	ANNUAL REPORT
HUNTINGTON LAKE RESORT	Monitoring	RTCR
		VIOLATION OF A PERMIT
IID NORTH END CONSOLIDATION	Other	CONDITION
JAMESON RANCH CAMP	MCL	E. COLI
JAMESON RANCH CAMP	Reporting	GROUNDWATER RULE
JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES -		
KINGDOM HALL	Monitoring	NITRATE
		DROUGHT ORDER - FAIL TO RPT
JUNCTION MOTEL	Reporting	DROUGHT INFO
		FAILURE TO COMPLETE AN
LOOKOUT ROADHOUSE	Reporting	ANNUAL REPORT
MHC TT INC. (DBA PIO PICO)	MCL	MANGANESE
OLIVARES FARMS WATER	Treatment	FAILURE TO CONDUCT LEVEL 1
SYSTEM	Technique	ASSESSMENT
OSWALD WATER SYSTEM	Monitoring	RTCR
PALOMINO ESTATES WATER		
COMPANY	Reporting	CCR
PALOMINO ESTATES WATER	Treatment	
COMPANY	Technique	SWTR
PEOPLE'S FOOD AND DELI INC.	Monitoring	RTCR
PINE MOUNTAIN MUTUAL WATER		
CO.	Monitoring	HAA5
PINE MOUNTAIN MUTUAL WATER		
CO.	Monitoring	TTHM
		DROUGHT ORDER - FAIL TO RPT
QUICK CHEK WEST	Reporting	DROUGHT INFO
QUINTERO LABOR CAMP #1		
(WRIGHT RD)	Other	NITRATE
RAMONA OAKS RV RESORT	MCL	COMBINED URANIUM
	Public	
RAMONA OAKS RV RESORT	Notification	PUBLIC NOTICE
RECHE CANYON MUTUAL WATER		FAILURE TO COMPLETE AN
CO.	Reporting	ANNUAL REPORT
RUSACK VINEYARDS	Monitoring	NITRATE
SANDY CREEK VILLAGE MHP	Monitoring	RTCR
SOUTHERN TRINITY HEALTH		
SERVICES, INC.	Monitoring	RTCR

STONE CREEK WATER		DROUGHT ORDER - FAIL TO RPT
COMPANY	Reporting	DROUGHT INFO
		DROUGHT ORDER - FAIL TO RPT
STONEWOOD CANYON ESTATES	Reporting	DROUGHT INFO
SUCCESS MARKET	Monitoring	RTCR
		FAILURE TO COMPLETE AN
SUNDANCE MEADOWS	Reporting	ANNUAL REPORT
THE WILLOWS RESORT	Monitoring	RTCR
V & P TRAILER COURT WATER		
SYSTEM	MCL	ARSENIC
VIKING RV PARK	Monitoring	RTCR
WEST COTTONWOOD		
APARTMENTS	Monitoring	RTCR
		DROUGHT ORDER - FAIL TO RPT
WHITE'S STEEL, INC.	Reporting	DROUGHT INFO
WIEBE FARMS	Monitoring	RTCR
WOODVILLE FARM LABOR		
CENTER	Other	1,2,3 TCP
YOKOHL MUTUAL WATER CO	Other	NITRATE
Total Violations	65	

Environmental Laboratory Accreditation Program (ELAP)

ELAP ACCREDITATIONS ISSUED – 2025		
	September 16, 2025 – October 14, 2025	Year-to-Date
New Accreditations	0	14
Renewed Accreditations	6	153
Reciprocity Accreditations	8	46
Amended Accreditations	5	129
Total	19	342

ELAP Enforcement

In coordination with engineers from the Division of Drinking Water, ELAP Enforcement issued a suspension, effective October 8, 2025, for the City of Vacaville Water Quality Laboratory. The suspension removes SM 9223 B Colilert from the laboratory's drinking water fields of accreditation due to documented deviations from the prescribed test method that have compromised data quality and pose a risk to public health.

DDW-SAFER

The SAFER Clearinghouse Summary Results for October 2025 (on 10/14/2025)

Summary Results			
Failing Systems	403	Removed Failing Systems	4

Water Systems Removed from the Failing List in October 2025

PWS ID	System Name	Last Status Change	County	Population
5510007	DEL ORO WATER COMPANY - STRAWBERRY DIV.	09/08/2025	TUOLUMNE	1,295
1700702	INNISFREE WATER COMPANY	09/10/2025	LAKE	56
3700912	YMCA CAMP MARSTON/RAINTREE	09/24/2025	SAN DIEGO	338
1400037	LONE PINE OASIS	10/02/2025	INYO	49

Water Systems Added to the Failing List in October 2025

PWS ID	System Name	Last Status	County	Population
		Change		
0110008	CITY OF PLEASANTON	09/09/2025	ALAMEDA	76,689
5000005	CROWS LANDING COMM SVC DISTRICT	10/01/2025	STANISLAUS	500
5304109	BURNT RANCH ESTATES	09/24/2025	TRINITY	115

SAFER Engagement Units

On October 2, 2025, the Southern Engagement Unit hosted the first public meeting regarding the consolidation of Inyokern Community Services District (CSD) to Indian Wells Valley Water District. The meeting covered the consolidation process for managerial and physical consolidation, the 6-month voluntary consolidation period, and the mandatory order requirements. More than 50 people from the community attended the public meeting. During the public comment period members of the public provided their support or opposition to the consolidation and asked questions regarding the process, potential timelines, and funding. The public comment period was very active and remained civil.

Completed Consolidations

There are no consolidations to report for this period.

CalVal Participation

DDW staff are participating in the NWRI and industry led <u>CalVal</u> process. CalVal is a collaborative group of scientists, engineers, and utility staff who are working to increase the water supply for all Californians. This multi-year initiative is focused on developing uniform, science-based guidance for permitting, implementing, and operating advanced potable reuse treatment facilities across California. DDW staff are collaborating with the group of experts to help guide its products and ensure usefulness of the products produced from this effort.

DIVISION OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

Update on Water Quality, Water Rights, Drinking Water and Environmental Laboratory Accreditation Program (ELAP) Fees Stakeholder Process

The FY 2025-26 Water Quality and Water Rights fee regulation changes were submitted to the Office of Administrative Law for review on October 22, 2025. CalEPA staff were able to accommodate our request for an expedited review and approval of the draft package at the Agency level.

OFFICE OF ENFORCEMENT

Enforcement Related Press Releases

N/A

Other Enforcement Related Updates

N/A

Administrative Civil Liability (ACL) Complaints Issued:

Region	Discharger/City	Violation(s) Addressed	ACL Order Amount	Date Issued
1	Aaron Lieberman/ Redway	Complaint alleges failure to submit a Cleanup, Restoration, and Monitoring Plan and required by Cleanup and Abatement and Investigative Order No. R1-2024-0047.	\$55,176	9/8/2025

ACL Orders Issued:

Region	Discharger/City	Violation(s) Addressed	ACL Order Amount	Date Issued
2	Amidhozour home/ Woodside	Failure to obtain permit coverage for construction activities under the Construction Stormwater General Permit	\$ 167,200 (to the Cleanup and Abatement Account (CAA))	3/ 10/2023
3	Granite Rock Company/ Aromas	 MMPs for: 4 exceedances of the AMEL for molybdenum 2 exceedances of the AMEL for iron 4 exceedances of the AMEL for total dissolved solids (TDS) 2 exceedances of the AMEL for aluminum Exceedance of the AMEL for copper Exceedance of the MDEL for copper 	\$42,000 (MMP-all to Supplemental Environmental Project (SEP) ^[1])	0/4/0005
3	San Luis Obispo City/ San Luis Obispo	MMPs for: • 5 exceedances of the average monthly effluent limit (AMEL) for nitrate	\$30,000 (MMP- all to CAA)	9/5/2025

		 2 exceedances of the AMEL for molybdenum Exceedances of the AMEL for dibromochloromethane Exceedances of the maximum daily effluent limit (MDEL) for dibromochloromethane Exceedances of the AMEL for dichlorobromomethane 		
4	Douglas Emmett Management, LLC/ Beverly Hills	MMPs for: • Exceedance of the AMEL for copper • Exceedance of the MDEL for copper	\$6,000 (MMP-all to CAA)	9/25/2025
4	RAR2 - Marina Marketplace CA LLC/ Marina del Rey	MMPs for 3 exceedances of the MDEL for trichloroethene.	1	
4	UTA Plaza LLC c/o Rockefeller Group Development Corp/ Beverly Hills	MMP for exceedance of the AMEL for copper. \$3,000 (MMP-all to CAA) Failure to obtain coverage under the Industrial Stormwater General Permit after \$150,000 (all to CAA)		9/25/2025
8	Wicked Creations/ Garden Grove			9/15/2025
8	Robinson Manufacturing/ Placentia	Failure to submit stormwater annual reports for fiscal years 2021-2022 and 2022-2023 by their deadlines.	\$50,000 (all to CAA)	9/15/2025

^[1] Conforms to Finding 28 of State Water Board Resolution No. 2024-0022.

Investigative Orders

Regio n	Discharger/City	Violations Addressed/Action(s) Required	Date Issued
2	Multiple: 1. Goldana LLC/ Livermore	13267 Directive requiring a Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS) Investigation Workplan, including proposed soil and groundwater	9/4/2025

	 2. 2) Dollinger North Canyon Associates LLP/ Livermore 3. Stealth Street Partners/ Livermore 4. David L. and Sandra J. Chavez, Trustees/ Livermore 5. Bernhard Properties/ Livermore 6. BRE Jupiter S1 W CA Owner LP/ Livermore 7. LAM Research Corp/ Livermore 8. Pat O'Donnell/ Livermore 	sampling, by December 1, 2025 and an Investigation Completion Report due 120 days after approval of the Workplan.	
4	Chen Lu and Fan Jung Kuo/ El Monte	13267 Order No. R4-2025-0186 for further subsurface investigation because historical soil, soil gas, and groundwater data have shown elevated levels of chlorinated and other VOCs and the extent of contamination in all media is not fully defined. Further chemicals of emerging concern, such as 1,4-dioxane, N-nitrosodimethylamine (NDMA), hexavalent chromium, and per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) have not been evaluated at the site located at 3728 Rockwell Avenue in El Monte.	9/23/2025

Time Schedule Orders

Region	Discharger/City	Violations Addressed/Action(s) Required	Date Issued
5F	Stallion Springs Community Services District/ Tehachapi	Time Schedule Order (TSO) No. R5-2025-0051 includes interim limits for ammonia and pH and a compliance schedule for the installation of a screw press to improve solids control and processing, which will hopefully optimize nitrification and aid in meeting the final effluent limit for ammonia.	9/1/2025

Health and Safety Code Section 25296.10(c)

Region	Discharger/City	Violations Addressed/Action(s) Required	Date Issued
2	Alvin Nero, Jr./ San Francisco	Requires the submittal of a technical report summarizing findings from the investigation along with any future recommendations in accordance with the State Water Board's Low-threat Underground Storage	9/26/2025

		Tank Case Closure Policy (LTCP) by January 19, 2026 for the property located at 2495 Jennings Street in San Francisco.	
4	Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department/ Monterey Park	Requires a soil, soil vapor, and groundwater investigation to determine the impacts from 3 underground storage tanks (USTs) that were removed in 1995 from the property located at 4500 East City Terrace Drive in Monterey Park.	9/17/2025
4	Owens Corning/ Compton	Requires Preliminary Site Assessment, Soil and Water Investigation, Corrective Action Plan Implementation, and Verification Monitoring for areas of concern where 4 USTs were removed at the property located at 1720 Mona Boulevard in Compton.	9/17/2025

Cleanup and Abatement Orders

Region	Discharger/City	Violations Addressed/Action(s) Required	Date Issued
1	Jorge Sanchez Herrera/ Dos Rios	Cleanup and Abatement Order (CAO) R1-2025-0043 requires the assessment and remediation of impacts to waters of the state caused by development for cannabis cultivation and requires the implementation of erosion and sediment control; proper disposal of refuse and hazardous waste; and the hydrological disconnection of ditches from watercourses.	9/23/2025
1	Juana Estela Jimenez/ Potter Valley	CAO R1-2025-0044 requires the assessment and remediation of impacts to waters of the state caused by development for cannabis cultivation and requires the removal of cannabis cultivation waste from setbacks; proper disposal of hazardous waste; and the implementation of erosion and sediment control.	9/29/2025
1	Ronald Stevens/ Potter Valley	CAO R1-2025-0045 for water quality impacts resulting from the discharge of cannabis-related waste to Busch Creek. Requires the removal of cannabis cultivation waste from the setbacks and the proper disposal of refuse.	9/29/2025

Other Enforcement Actions Taken[2]:

Region/Division	Actions Issued	Region/Division	Actions Issued
1	193	5S	765
2	539	6T	26
3	474	6V	286
4	774	7	195
5F	670	8	867
5R	136	9	676

A significant portion of the informal actions issued in August and September 2025 were notices of violation issued at the State Water Board level by the Division of Water Quality's NPDES Industrial and Construction Stormwater Unit.

OFFICE OF INFORMATION MANAGEMENT AND ANALYSIS and the CALIFORNIA WATER QUALITY MONITORING COUNCIL

FHAB Program

The Water Board Freshwater and Estuarine Harmful Algal Bloom (FHAB) Program was recently invited to present remotely at the United State Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) Interagency Freshwater Harmful Algal Bloom (HAB) Research and Development Workshop hosted in Seattle, WA. The workshop focused on highlighting efforts by partnering federal agencies in researching and addressing HABs while also showcasing limitations and areas of additional research.

The FHAB Program provided a California highlight, sharing the objectives of the program, limitations in our state including funding and capacity to proactively address HABs, and provided an overview of ongoing Delta HAB issues. A common theme of the workshop was need for dedicated monitoring in HAB impacted waterways to clearly understand the drivers to properly mitigate, further exploring "hot spots" where HABs are unusually dense and how mitigation measures in these hot spots might impact the surrounding area, and overall need for trialing and testing short term mitigation measures for efficacy to be incorporated as regular management measures. USACE is currently providing funding for a pilot dredging project in the Stockton area with implementation beginning in 2026.

Clean Water Team

Last month the State Water Boards' <u>Clean Water Team</u> provided water quality monitoring instruction and demonstrations in its continued support of the Los Angeles River Ranger Program at the <u>Urban Orchards Park in Southgate</u>. Previous time in the field held earlier this year was conducted at <u>Colorado Lagoon</u> in Long Beach, a site that has also received Waterboard funding to improve water quality and habitat improvements.

The Los Angeles River Ranger Program was developed through a <u>stakeholder and community-driven planning process</u> to gain an understanding of how a River Ranger Program could help meet community needs. This unique Program provides job training for young adults ages 18-26 through the Conservation Corps of Long Beach and provides a network of river rangers to assist the public at sites along the Los Angeles River and its tributaries.

This environmental education and workforce development initiative engages young adults in hands-on conservation work along local waterways, and particularly the lower Los Angeles River. Participants serve as environmental stewards conducting activities such as habitat restoration, community outreach and education, water quality monitoring, litter abatement, and waste diversion. The Program helps participants build job skills, gain environmental awareness, and make a positive impact on local ecosystems, especially in underserved communities. River Rangers often collaborate with local agencies and schools to promote sustainable practices and environmental justice.

The <u>LA River Ranger Pilot Program</u> is a partnership made possible by the <u>Conservation Corps of Long Beach</u>, the <u>Watershed Conservation Authority</u> (WCA), and the <u>Rivers and Mountains Conservancy</u> (RMC).

OFFICE OF RESEARCH, PLANNING, AND PERFORMANCE

Water Conservation

The response rate for the **August 2025** Urban Water Conservation Report is 90% as of the writing of this report (363 reports submitted). The estimated total production (accounting for missing reports) is 192 billion gallons (589.2 thousand acre-feet), and the statewide residential use is 101 gallons per capita per day.

For September, we received 233 water waste reports through the <u>Save Water</u> site.

OFFICE OF CHIEF COUNSEL

Water Quality Petitions Currently Under Consideration for Review by the State Water Board (as of October 1, 2025)

The State Water Board is considering whether to grant review of the following current active petitions for review of regional water quality control board actions or failures to act in accordance with Water Code section 13320. These petitions for review will be dismissed by operation of law if (1) the State Water Board does not issue a letter granting review or (2) the State Water Board does not receive a written request from the petitioner that the petition be held in abeyance, prior to 5:00 p.m. on the corresponding deadline. Any exhibits identified in the petitions are available upon request by emailing waterqualitypetitions@waterboards.ca.gov.

PETITION NUMBER AND LINK TO PETITION	PETITION INFORMATION	DATE PETITION RECEIVED	DEADLINE FOR STATE WATER BOARD TO GRANT REVIEW
<u>A-2916</u>	Petition of Chevron Environmental Management Company for Review of Water Code section 13267 Order Dated June 6, 2025 for Former Unocal Chemical Facility No. 0905 and Former Foster Chemical Building, 401 and 411 High Street, Oakland, Alameda County; Issued by the San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board	07/03/2025	10/01/2025
<u>A-2917</u>	Petition of Spectrum Chemical Manufacturing Corp. for Review of Water Code section 13267 Order No. R4-2025-0026 for 14422 San Pedro Avenue, Gardena, Los Angeles County; Issued by the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board	07/14/2025	10/10/2025

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<u>A-2918</u>	Petition of Rev 973, LLC for Review of Adoption of Negative Declaration and Approval of Remedial Action Plan, Dated June 30, 2025 for Mouren-Laurens and Leach Sites at 625, 641, 705, 717, and 719 East Compton Boulevard and 15006 South Avalon Boulevard, Los Angeles County; Issued by the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board	07/30/2025	10/28/2025
<u>A-2919</u>	Petition of California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation and California Department of General Services for Review of Water Code section 13267 Order for the California Health Care Facility, the N.A. Chaderjian Youth Correctional Facility, and the O.H. Close Youth Correctional Facility, San Joaquin County; Issued by the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board	08/08/2025	11/06/2025
<u>A-2920</u>	Petition of the Precision Coil Spring Company for Review of Amendment to Water Code section 13267 Order R4-2023-0038 dated July 28, 2025, for 10107 Rose Avenue, El Monte, Los Angeles County; Issued by the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board	08/27/2025	11/25/2025

OFFICE OF SUSTAINABLE GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT

(Submits Quarterly)

OFFICE OF PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT, EQUITY and TRIBAL AFFAIRS (Submits Quarterly)

IRRIGATED REGULATORY LAND PROGRAM

October 2025

This month's Irrigated Lands Regulatory Program (ILRP) update provides a summary of significant activities of State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) staff for the month of September 2025; and the North Coast, San Francisco Bay, Central Coast, Los Angeles, Lahontan, Colorado River Basin, Santa Ana, and San Diego Regional Water Quality Control Boards (Regional Water Boards) from August 1, 2025, to September 30, 2025. Next month's report will cover the Central Valley Regional Water Board's recent ILRP program activities and up-to-date data on compliance and outreach efforts

State Water Board staff continued work to implement the Second Statewide Agricultural Expert Panel (Panel), as discussed in Order WQ 2023-0081, In the Matter of Review of General Waste Discharge Requirements for Discharges from Irrigated Lands Order No. R3-2021-0040. Following plenary meetings held in August, the first Public Listening Session to gather input from the public and all interested parties was held on October 1, 2025. Two Panel Working Group Meetings were held on October 13 and October 22, 2025 to facilitate Panel deliberations on issues relevant to the Panel charge questions. Public notices, meeting materials, and other panel documents can be found on the Expert Panel webpage. Staff encourages the public to sign up for the email list located on the main Agriculture webpage, which will be used to distribute panel updates and information on future public meetings.

Staff continued coordination with the California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA) and their contractors (Crowe LLP) on the Regulatory Alignment Study. On September 15, 2025, the Draft Final Recommendations and Implementation Steps report was released for public comment. The public comment period ended October 15, 2025. CDFA, with support from State Water Board staff, hosted an informational webinar on the draft report on September 15, 2025. More than 100 participants attended the webinar. In November 2025, the final report will be released detailing the regulatory alignment recommendations.

North Coast Regional Water Board will hold an Information Item for the Lily Bulb Order in Crescent City on October 8, 2025, to review findings from a recent Monitoring Study characterizing agricultural discharges from lily bulb operations. Staff will also provide the North Coast Water Board with an update on community engagement activities and development of the Lily Bulb Order. The Draft Lily Bulb Order is scheduled to be released to the public in early 2026 with a public workshop scheduled for February 2026. A public hearing to consider adoption of the Lily Bulb Order is scheduled for August 2026.

The North Coast Regional Water Board will also hold an Information Item in Yreka on October 10, 2025 to provide an update on development of the Scott and Shasta Order. The Draft Order is scheduled to be released to the public in April 2026 with a public workshop also scheduled for April 2026. Order adoption is planned for late 2026.

San Francisco Bay Regional Water Board staff are assisting growers with terminations and enrollments. Staff are also compiling Annual Report information for outreach to growers to prompt compliance with Annual Report requirements and to ensure that enrollment information is up to date for enhanced efficiency in the upcoming invoicing cycle. Coordination meetings with the Farm Bureaus have been set for the first week of October.

Central Coast Regional Water Board held a bilingual public workshop, at a regularly scheduled Board Meeting, to provide members of the public with an opportunity to provide input on the development of the Central Coast's Alternative Water Supply (AWS) Program on August 21, 2025. In Order WQ 2023-0081, the State Water Board directs the Central Coast Water Board to, in part, "...incorporate a requirement or reach an agreement in which dischargers or their third-party representatives provide short-term and long-term alternative water supplies for residents relying on groundwater in areas where the maximum contaminant level (MCL) for nitrate is exceeded as a result of agricultural operations" (see WQ 2023-0081, p. 24-25). Additional information about the workshop and the materials that were available for public comment can be viewed on the AWS Project website and in the Central Coast Regional Water Board's August 2025 agenda.

Los Angeles Regional Water Board staff met with the Ventura County Agricultural Irrigated Lands Group (VCAILG) and their consultants to discuss implementation and next steps for the General Waste Discharge Requirements (WDRs).

Staff also met with the Los Angeles Irrigated Lands Group (LAILG) to discuss implementation and next steps for the General WDRs.

On September 17, 2025, Los Angeles Water Boards Staff met with Ventura County Resource Conservation District (VCRCD), Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) and VCAILG staff to discuss the Management Practice Plan (MPP) certification process to comply with the discharge limitations of Order No. R4-2023-0353 (Los Angeles Agricultural Order).

On September 23, 2023, staff attended the Agri-tech Conference in Ventura County in support of VCAILG's presentations in compliance with the Los Angeles Agricultural Order Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) requirements. Staff met with growers and consultants to discuss WDR compliance.

Los Angeles Water Board staff <u>publicly noticed</u> a request for schedule extension for a farm level management practice plan, in compliance with the Los Angeles Agricultural Order. This is the first request received under the order.

Colorado River Basin Regional Water Board staff attended a community outreach collaboration meeting with University of California Riverside Public Health and their team at Unidas Por Salud.

Santa Ana Regional Water Board's San Jacinto Coalition (SJC) hosted an educational webinar to assist enrollees in meeting the annual education requirements of Order No. R8-2023-0006 (Santa Ana Agricultural Order) on August 6, 2025. The webinar provided attendees with training on the use of the Data Management Tool (DMT), a summary of the 2023 Irrigation and Nitrogen Management Plan report, and an overview of the 2024 Irrigation and Nitrogen Management Plan report to be submitted on September 15, 2025. The webinar was attended by approximately 19 representatives of agricultural operations in the San Jacinto River watershed and lasted approximately two hours.

San Diego Regional Water Board staff participated in the Second Statewide Agricultural Expert Panel Meetings on August 8 and 14, 2025. San Diego Water Board staff presented to the Panel on August 14, 2025, and provided insight into the diverse agricultural landscape within the San Diego Region. Additionally, the presentation provided information on region-specific obstacles and complexities anticipated to make Order WQ 2018-0002 (Eastern San Joaquin Water Quality Order) nitrogen reporting requirements difficult for most growers. Staff will attend future Panel meetings.

Staff met with five water management practitioners/experts from Turkmenistan on September 4, 2025, at the San Diego Regional Water Board's office. The Turkmenistan representatives traveled across the country as part of the U.S. State Department's International Visitor Leadership Program (IVLP). The IVLP is intended to advance U.S. national security priorities and build long-term relationships with international leaders through short-term professional exchanges. IVLP participants are strictly limited to individuals nominated by U.S. Embassies around the world. Since its inception in 1940, more than 230,000 international leaders have taken part in the IVLP. During the meeting, Staff provided a brief overview of the statewide ILRP, the San Diego Water Board's program, and the type of agricultural operations and geographic conditions within the San Diego Region. Staff, through interpreters, provided answers to a variety of questions, which focused on the San Diego Region's soil, groundwater quality, agricultural technologies, and Water Board regulatory measures and partnerships.

The **Lahontan Regional Water Board** had no significant program updates from August 1, 2025, to September 30, 2025.