

**State Water Resources Control Board Workshop on Conservation Pricing
July 8, 2015
CalEPA Headquarters, Sacramento, CA**

9:00-9:10 AM: Welcome & Opening Remarks

9:15-9:35AM: Staff Presentation

- **April 1, 2015 Drought Executive Order: Directive 8**
 - *Rate structure and pricing overview*
 - *Role of the State Water Board*
 - *Roles of other state agencies*

 - **Questions for public comment**
 1. *What actions should the State Water Board take to support the development of conservation pricing, including rates, surcharges and fees, to respond to drought, maintain water supplier fiscal stability, and improve access to safe and affordable drinking water?*
 2. *What actions should the State Water Board take to support water suppliers that have already developed conservation rate structures and pricing mechanisms to improve their effectiveness?*
 3. *What actions should the State Water Board take to assist water suppliers to harmonize existing legal authorities associated with water rates and to propose or support new statutory and constitutional authorities?*

9:35-10:40 AM: Panel One

Panel Discussion: What is the appropriate role for the state to maximize the effective use of conservation pricing?

*Joe Grindstaff, Inland Empire Utilities Agency
Ellen Hanak, Public Policy Institute of California
Lester Snow, California Water Foundation
Jeanne Clinton, California Public Utilities Commission*

10:40-10:55 AM: Break

10:55-12:00 PM: Panel Two

Panel Discussion: What are the key issues for evaluating conservation rate structures?

*Douglas Dove, Bartle Wells Associates
Heather Cooley, Pacific Institute/California Urban Water Conservation Council
Ken Baerenklau, UC Riverside*

12:00-1:00 PM: Lunch

1:00-1:50 PM: Panel Three

**Panel Discussion: How can we harmonize Proposition 218, court decisions,
and conservation rates?**

Kelly Salt, Best, Best, and Krieger

Michael G. Colantuono, Colantuono Highsmith & Whatley PC

1:50-2:00 PM: Break

2:00-2:30 PM: Public Comment

2:30-3:00 PM: Closing Thoughts: Where we go from here

- **Workshop Summary and Board Member Discussion**

3:00 PM: Adjorn