



Midpeninsula Regional
Open Space District

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SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA ITEM 1

AGENDA ITEM

Review of 2019 State of California Legislative Session – Board of Directors Briefing on Matters of Interest to Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District

GENERAL MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION

Receive and discuss the 2019 State of California legislative session update from legislative consultants, Public Policy Advocates LLC and Environmental and Energy Consulting.

SUMMARY

Representatives from Public Policy Advocates LLC (PPA) and Environmental and Energy Consulting (EEC) will provide an in-person legislative briefing on the concluded 2019 State of California legislative session. The briefing will include an overview of the most significant actions taken during the session as well as the current state legislative climate and its possible effect on the 2020 legislative session. The Board of Directors (Board) last received a briefing on the 2019 legislative session on August 28, 2019.

DISCUSSION

The 2019 Legislative Program, which the Board approved at its January 9, 2019 meeting, reflects Board policy positions on a variety of issues affecting the Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District (District), its mission, and annual strategic goals. The Legislative Program has guided the determination of priority legislation to track during the year. Staff and the District's legislative consultants actively used the Legislative Program to communicate District positions on bills, budget recommendations, and other legislative items to the respective authors and/or legislative committees as appropriate. Throughout the 2019 session, staff fielded time-sensitive requests from partners and monitored evolving pieces of legislation based on Board Policy 1.11 (Attachment 1). Legislation deemed a priority by the Board pursuant to this policy were tracked, and when appropriate, either supported or opposed. The General Manager has kept the Board notified of each action taken via separate memos. Please refer to Attachment 2 for an overview of the final outcomes for District priority bills in the 2019 legislative session.

Legislative Categories

Legislation and topics to be discussed by PPA and EEC may include, but are not limited to:

- California budget process
- Cap and trade/Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund/Climate change
- Wildlife corridors
- Water legislation

- Wildfire prevention/forest health legislation
- Pension reform
- Upcoming state funding measures

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact associated with this briefing.

BOARD COMMITTEE REVIEW

Legislative updates are periodically brought to the Legislative, Funding, and Public Affairs Committee (LFPAC) throughout each year. The most recent LFPAC review was June 11, 2019.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public notice was provided as required by the Brown Act. No additional notice is required.

CEQA COMPLIANCE

This item is not a project subject to the California Environmental Quality Act.

NEXT STEPS

The Governmental Affairs Specialist will bring legislative items and proposals to LFPAC and the Board in preparation for the 2020 session beginning with LFPAC review of the draft 2020 Legislative Program on November 19, 2020. The full Board is scheduled to review and ratify the 2020 Legislative Program on December 11, 2019.

Attachments:

1. Board Policy 1.11, Positions on Ballot Measures and Legislative Advocacy
2. 2019 Priority Bill Legislative Status as of October 14, 2019

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Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District

Board Policy Manual

<p>Positions on Ballot Measures and Legislative Advocacy</p>	<p>Policy 1.11 Chapter 1 – Administration and Government</p>
<p>Effective Date: 4/13/16</p>	<p>Revised Date: N/A</p>
<p>Prior Versions: N/A</p>	

Purpose

To establish a policy governing positions on local and state ballot measures/propositions and state and federal legislative advocacy. It is intended to cover all matters before the Legislature and the voters.

Definitions

For the purposes of the *Positions on Ballot Measures and Legislative Advocacy* policy, the following terms and definitions shall be used:

Measure – may be included on a municipal, county, or district ballot and includes ordinances, initiatives, referenda, advisory measures, issuance or refunding of bonds, city or county charter amendments, or any other measure or proposition a legislative body may submit to the voters within the body’s jurisdiction.

Ballot Proposition – can be a referendum or an initiative measure that is submitted to the electorate for a direct decision or direct vote. Propositions may be placed on the ballot by the California State Legislature or by a qualifying petition signed by registered voters.

Initiative – power of the electors to propose legislation, and to adopt or reject them. Any proposed ordinance may be submitted to the legislative body by means of a petition.

Referendum – applies to the process for repealing newly enacted legislation. Within specified time limits, the electors may file a petition protesting the adoption of that legislation.

Local Legislation – typically ordinances, which are the laws of a city, charter, or district, often having the force of law, but only within the local jurisdiction.

State or Federal Legislation – bills or proposed legislation under consideration by the legislature at the state or federal level.

Policy

1. Positions on Matters Before the Voters
 - a. From time to time the Board of Directors may be asked or may desire to take a position on local or state measures. The Board may consider taking a position on the measure/proposition if the measure/proposition:
 - i. Would directly impact the District's finances, responsibilities, legal authority, or operations; AND
 - ii. Is in line with or inconsistent with the District's mission and/or commitment to preserve open space within its boundaries and sphere of influence.

The Board, by majority vote, may direct the General Manager to research the measure/proposition and return to the Board at a future meeting with information and a General Manager recommendation. At that time, the Board may vote to take a position on a measure/proposition.
 - b. Measures/propositions determined to not impact District business may nonetheless be analyzed by the General Manager when directed by a majority vote of the Board, of which the analysis report would include possible alternatives for Board action, but no position recommendation.

2. Local, State, and Federal Legislative Advocacy
 - a. The Legislative, Funding, and Public Affairs Committee (LFPAC) receives periodic updates regarding the District's legislative program. When LFPAC determines that proposed legislation may affect District business, it may direct the General Manager to prepare a recommendation for consideration by the full Board or where there is not adequate time to convene the full Board, may direct the General Manager to take action to support or oppose the legislation without full Board approval. In such cases, the General Manager or designee shall report to the Board any actions taken to support or oppose legislation at or before the next Board meeting.
 - b. When time is so short that neither the full Board nor LFPAC can be convened to consider positions to support or oppose local, state or federal legislation, the General Manager is authorized to take a position on behalf of the District if the legislation:
 - i. Is related to the District's mission; AND
 - ii. Would directly impact the District's business, such as project delivery, operations, finances, legal authority, or other District responsibilities; AND
 - iii. The position being taken is consistent/inconsistent with existing District policy, past action, or District Strategic Plan; OR
 - iv. The legislation carries other considerations that make it contrary to the District's interests.

In such instances, the General Manager or designee shall report to the Board any actions taken to support or oppose the legislation at or before the next Board meeting.
 - c. Full Board action is required regarding legislation that is not clearly within the criteria listed above under Section 2.b. or guided by direction previously given by LFPAC.

3. Full Board action is required to support or oppose any type of grassroots advocacy action, such as social, political, or economic movements, that are not legislation.
4. Board members representing the District in their official capacity on regional or other bodies may, at his or her discretion, take actions based on the principles above consistent with previously approved Board positions and policies.
5. This policy is not intended to limit the prerogative of individual Board members from expressing their individual support for or opposition to any local ballot measure, State proposition, State or Federal legislation, or grassroots advocacy actions. However, in doing so, the member should clearly state they are speaking for themselves, and not in an official capacity on behalf of the Board or the District. Individual Board Members who take a position in support or opposition to ballot measure or legislation for which the Board has not previously taken a position are encouraged as a professional courtesy to include the language *for identification purposes only* parenthetically following their signature referencing their position on the Board.



Measure	Author	Category	Topic	Status	Brief Summary	Position	Priority
AB 65	Petrie-Norris D	Climate	Coastal protection: climate adaption: project prioritization: natural infrastructure: local general plans.	9/27/2019-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 347, Statutes of 2019.	Would require specified things of the State Coastal Conservancy when it allocates any funding appropriated pursuant to the The California Drought, Water, Parks, Climate, Coastal Protection, and Outdoor Access for All Act of 2018, including that it prioritize projects that use natural infrastructure, as defined, to help adapt to climate change. The bill would require the conservancy to provide information to the Office of Planning and Research on any projects funded pursuant to the above provision to be considered for inclusion into the clearinghouse for climate adaption information. The bill would authorize the conservancy to provide technical assistance to coastal communities to better assist them with their projects that use natural infrastructure.	Support	2
AB 293	Garcia, Eduardo D	Climate	Greenhouse gases: offset protocols.	7/12/2019-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 85, Statutes of 2019.	Current law, until January 1, 2031, establishes the Compliance Offsets Protocol Task Force to provide guidance to the state board in approving new offset protocols for a market-based compliance mechanism for the purposes of increasing offset projects with direct environmental benefits in the state while prioritizing disadvantaged communities, Native American or tribal lands, and rural and agricultural regions. This bill would require the task force to consider the development of additional offset protocols, including, but not limited to, protocols for the enhanced management or conservation of agricultural and natural lands, and for the enhancement and restoration of wetlands.	Support	2
AB 409	Limón D	Climate	Climate change: agriculture: Agricultural Climate Adaptation Tools Program: grants.	2-Year Bill	Would require the Strategic Growth Council to provide guidance in the development of, and to coordinate the activities of member agencies of the council for, a grant program, known as the Agricultural Climate Adaptation Tools Program, as specified, to provide funding for activities that include development of specified planning tools, to be available in the public domain, for adapting to climate change and developing resiliency strategies in the agricultural sector, using the best available science, as specified. The bill would require the Department of Food and Agriculture to administer the program for the disbursement of grants.	Watch	2
AB 825	Mullin D	Climate	San Mateo County Flood and Sea Level Rise Resiliency District.	9/12/2019-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 292, Statutes of 2019.	Would rename the San Mateo County Flood Control District the San Mateo County Flood and Sea Level Rise Resiliency District, and would add addressing and protecting against the impacts of sea level rise to the powers of the district. The bill would require, commencing January 1, 2020, the district to be governed by a board of directors, as provided, which would replace the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Mateo as the governing board of the district.	Support	2



AB 839	Mullin D	Climate	Climate adaptation strategy: strategic resiliency framework: Resiliency through Adaptation, Economic Vitality, and Equity Account.	2-Year Bill	Current law requires the Natural Resources Agency to update every 3 years the state's climate adaptation strategy, known as the Safeguarding California Plan, to identify vulnerabilities to climate change by sectors and priority actions needed to reduce the risks in those sectors. This bill would require the Secretary of the Natural Resources Agency, on or before July 1, 2021, to review the plan and develop a strategic resiliency framework, as specified. The bill would require updates to the plan to include, among other things, a review of the progress made implementing past plans and an evaluation of each lead agency's lead adaptation efforts, as well as a detailed description of the framework developed by the secretary.	Support	2
SB 168	Wieckowski D	Climate	Climate change: Chief Climate Resilience Officer.	8/30/2019-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(12). (Last location was APPR. SUSPENSE FILE on 8/21/2019)(May be acted upon Jan 2020)	Would establish the Chief Climate Resilience Officer, appointed by the Governor and subject to confirmation by the Senate, in the Office of Planning and Research to serve as the statewide lead for planning and coordination of climate adaptation policy and implementation in California, and would specify the duties of the chief officer. The bill would make the chief officer, or the chief officer's designee, a member of the advisory council and would designate the chief officer, or the chief officer's designee, as the chair of the advisory council.	Support	2
AB 1298	Mullin D	Funding	Climate Resiliency, Fire Risk Reduction, Recycling, Groundwater and Drinking Water Supply, Clean Beaches, and Jobs Infrastructure Bond Act of 2020.	2-Year Bill	Would enact the Climate Resiliency, Fire Risk Reduction, Recycling, Groundwater and Drinking Water Supply, Clean Beaches, and Jobs Infrastructure Bond Act of 2020, which, if approved by the voters, would authorize the issuance of bonds in an unspecified amount pursuant to the State General Obligation Bond Law to finance a climate resiliency, fire risk reduction, recycling, groundwater and drinking water supply, clean beaches, and jobs infrastructure program. The bill would require the bond act to be submitted to the voters at the November 3, 2020, statewide general election.		1
ACA 1	Aguiar-Curry D	Funding	Local government financing: affordable housing and public infrastructure: voter approval.	8/19/2019-Read third time. Refused adoption. Motion to reconsider made by Assembly Member Aguiar-Curry.	The California Constitution prohibits the ad valorem tax rate on real property from exceeding 1% of the full cash value of the property, subject to certain exceptions. This measure would create an additional exception to the 1% limit that would authorize a city, county, city and county, or special district to levy an ad valorem tax to service bonded indebtedness incurred to fund the construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, or replacement of public infrastructure, affordable housing, or permanent supportive housing, or the acquisition or lease of real property for those purposes, if the proposition proposing that tax is approved by 55% of the voters of the city, county, or city and county, as applicable, and the proposition includes specified accountability requirements.	Support	1



SB 45	Allen D	Funding	Wildfire Prevention, Safe Drinking Water, Drought Preparation, and Flood Protection Bond Act of 2020.	2-Year Bill	Would enact the Wildfire Prevention, Safe Drinking Water, Drought Preparation, and Flood Protection Bond Act of 2020, which, if approved by the voters, would authorize the issuance of bonds in the amount of \$4,189,000,000 pursuant to the State General Obligation Bond Law to finance projects for a wildfire prevention, safe drinking water, drought preparation, and flood protection program.	Support/Coalition	1
SB 268	Wiener D	Funding	Ballot measures: local taxes.	10/13/2019-Vetoed by the Governor. In Senate. Consideration of Governor's veto pending.	Current law requires that the ballots used when voting upon a measure proposed by a local governing body or submitted to the voters as an initiative or referendum measure, including a measure authorizing the issuance of bonds or the incurrence of debt, have printed on them a true and impartial statement describing the purpose of the measure. If the proposed measure imposes a tax or raises the rate of a tax, existing law requires the ballot to include in the statement of the measure the amount of money to be raised annually and the rate and duration of the tax to be levied. This bill would exempt from this requirement a measure that imposes or increases a tax with more than one rate or authorizes the issuance of bonds. The bill would instead permit for these types of measures the statement of the measure to include the words "See voter guide for tax rate information."	Support	1
AB 352	Garcia, Eduardo D	Funding	Wildfire Prevention, Safe Drinking Water, Drought Preparation, and Flood Protection Bond Act of 2020.	2-Year Bill	Would enact the Wildfire Prevention, Safe Drinking Water, Drought Preparation, and Flood Protection Bond Act of 2020, which, if approved by the voters, would authorize the issuance of bonds in the amount of \$3,920,000,000 pursuant to the State General Obligation Bond Law to finance a wildlife prevention, safe drinking water, drought preparation, and flood protection program. The bill would provide for the submission of these provisions to the voters at the November 3, 2020, statewide general election. The bill would provide that its provisions are severable.	Watch	2



<p>AB 608</p>	<p>Petrie-Norris D</p>	<p>Funding</p>	<p>Property taxation: exemption: low-value properties.</p>	<p>7/12/2019-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 92, Statutes of 2019.</p>	<p>The California Constitution authorizes the Legislature, with the approval of 2/3 of the membership of each legislative house, to allow a county board of supervisors to exempt from property taxation those properties having a full value too low to justify the costs of assessment and collection. Current property tax law implementing this authority generally limits any exemption granted under this constitutional provision by a county board of supervisors to real property with a total base year value, or personal property with a full value, not exceeding \$10,000. Current property tax law increases this limit to \$50,000 in the case of a possessory interest, for a temporary and transitory use, in a publicly owned fairground, fairground facility, convention facility, or cultural facility. This bill, for lien dates occurring on or after January 1, 2020, and before January 1, 2025, would delete this requirement that the possessory interest be for a temporary and transitory use of a publicly owned fairground, fairground facility, convention facility, or cultural facility, thereby allowing the exemption from taxation under these provisions of any possessory interest valued at \$50,000 or less.</p>	<p>Watch</p>	<p>2</p>
<p>AB 707</p>	<p>Kalra D</p>	<p>Governance</p>	<p>Santa Clara Valley Water District: contracts.</p>	<p>9/6/2019-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 264, Statutes of 2019.</p>	<p>Current law requires a contract and prescribes competitive bidding procedures for any improvement or unit of work not performed by the personnel of the Santa Clara Valley Water District if the district estimates the work to cost over \$25,000. This bill would raise that competitive bidding threshold for work not performed by district personnel to work estimated to cost over \$50,000. The bill would subject a contract for work not performed by district personnel and estimated to exceed the threshold to the approval of the board, in accordance with board policy that has been adopted in an open meeting. The bill, with certain exceptions, would prohibit the estimated cost of any improvement or unit of work done by district personnel from exceeding \$50,000.</p>	<p>Support</p>	<p>2</p>
<p>AB 1783</p>	<p>Rivas, Robert D</p>	<p>Housing</p>	<p>H-2A worker housing: state funding: streamlined approval process for agricultural employee housing development.</p>	<p>10/13/2019-Signed by the Governor</p>	<p>Would prohibit the provision of state funding, as defined, for the purposes of funding predevelopment of, developing, or operating any housing used to comply with the federal law requirement to furnish housing to H-2A workers and would require an employer, as defined, or other recipient of state funding who utilizes state funding for these purposes to reimburse the state or state agency that provided the funding in an amount equal to the amount of that state funding expended for those purposes. The bill would exempt from these provisions any contract or other enforceable agreement pursuant to which the state or a state agency provides funding that was entered into prior to January 1, 2020. The bill would also make various conforming changes to other laws. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.</p>	<p>Watch</p>	<p>2</p>



SB 5	Beall D	Housing	Affordable Housing and Community Development Investment Program.	10/13/2019-Vetoed by the Governor. In Senate. Consideration of Governor's veto pending.	Would establish in state government the Affordable Housing and Community Development Investment Program, which would be administered by the Affordable Housing and Community Development Investment Committee. The bill would authorize a city, county, city and county, joint powers agency, enhanced infrastructure financing district, affordable housing authority, community revitalization and investment authority, transit village development district, or a combination of those entities, to apply to the Affordable Housing and Community Development Investment Committee to participate in the program and would authorize the committee to approve or deny plans for projects meeting specific criteria. The bill would also authorize certain local agencies to establish an affordable housing and community development investment agency and authorize an agency to apply for funding under the program and issue bonds, as provided, to carry out a project under the program.	Support	2
AB 7	Chu D	Public Access	Daylight saving time.	6/4/2019-In committee: Set, first hearing. Hearing canceled at the request of author.	Current state law sets the standard time for California and sets daylight saving time to begin each March and end each November. Current law allows the state to set the standard time to year-round daylight saving time if federal law authorizes the state to do so. This bill would set California's standard time to year-round daylight saving time after the federal government authorizes the state to do so, as specified.	Support	2
AB 556	Carrillo D	Public Access	Outdoor experiences: community access program: grant program.	10/11/2019-Vetoed by the Governor	Would require the Natural Resources Agency to develop and implement a community access program focused on engagement programs, technical assistance, or facilities that maximize safe and equitable physical admittance, especially for low-income and disadvantaged communities, to natural or cultural resources, community education programs, or recreational amenities. The bill would authorize the agency, in consultation with certain state entities, to develop a grant program for innovative transportation projects that provide disadvantaged and low-income youth with access to outdoor experiences, as specified.	Support/Coalition	2
AB 1111	Friedman D	Public Access	Outdoor recreation: Office of Outdoor Recreation: California Outdoor Recreation Account.	8/30/2019-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(12). (Last location was APPR. SUSPENSE FILE on 8/19/2019)(May be acted upon Jan 2020)	Would establish, until January 1, 2025, the Office of Outdoor Recreation in the Office of the Governor. The bill would require the office to undertake certain activities, including supporting the outdoor recreation economy and working toward equitable access to outdoor areas of the state by engaging in specified activities. The bill would also require the office to create an advisory committee to provide advice, expertise, support, and service to the office.	Support/Coalition	2



SB 127	Wiener D	Public Access	Transportation funding: active transportation: complete streets.	10/12/2019-Vetoed by the Governor. In Senate. Consideration of Governor's veto pending.	Current law requires the Department of Transportation, in consultation with the California Transportation Commission, to prepare an asset management plan to guide selection of projects for the State Highway Operation and Protection Program consistent with any applicable state and federal requirements. Current law requires the commission, in connection with the asset management plan, to adopt targets and performance measures reflecting state transportation goals and objectives. This bill would require the asset management plan to prescribe a process for community input and complete streets implementation to prioritize the implementation of safe and connected facilities for pedestrians, bicyclists, and transit users on all State Highway Operation and Protection Program projects, as specified.	Support	2
SB 367	Hueso D	Public Access	State Coastal Conservancy: grants: educational projects and programs.	10/9/2019-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 701, Statutes of 2019.	Current law establishes the State Coastal Conservancy and prescribes the membership, functions, and duties of the conservancy with regard to the protection, preservation, and enhancement of specified coastal lands in the state. Current law authorizes the conservancy to fund and undertake plans and feasibility studies and to award grants to public agencies and nonprofit organizations for these purposes. This bill would additionally authorize the conservancy to provide technical assistance, and award grants for that purpose.	Support	2
AB 1486	Ting D	Real Property	Surplus land.	10/9/2019-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 664, Statutes of 2019.	Current law prescribes requirements for the disposal of surplus land by a local agency. Current law defines "local agency" for these purposes as every city, county, city and county, and district, including school districts of any kind or class, empowered to acquire and hold real property. This bill would expand the definition of "local agency" to include sewer, water, utility, and local and regional park districts, joint powers authorities, successor agencies to former redevelopment agencies, housing authorities, and other political subdivisions of this state and any instrumentality thereof that is empowered to acquire and hold real property, thereby requiring these entities to comply with these requirements for the disposal of surplus land. The bill would specify that the term "district" includes all districts within the state, and that this change is declaratory of existing law.	Neutral	1
AB 782	Berman D	Real Property	California Environmental Quality Act: exemption: public agencies: land transfers.	8/30/2019-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 181, Statutes of 2019.	CEQA requires a lead agency to prepare a mitigated negative declaration for a project that may have a significant effect on the environment if revisions in the project would avoid or mitigate that effect and there is no substantial evidence that the project, as revised, would have a significant effect on the environment. This bill would exempt from CEQA the acquisition, sale, or other transfer of interest in land by a public agency for certain purposes, or the granting or acceptance of funding by a public agency for those purposes.	Support	2



AB 1190	Irwin D	Safety	Unmanned aircraft: state and local regulation: limitations.	2-Year Bill	Would, among other things, prohibit a state or local agency from adopting any law or regulation that bans the operation of an unmanned aircraft system. The bill would also authorize a local agency to adopt regulations to enforce FAA regulations regarding the operation of unmanned aircraft systems and would authorize local agencies to regulate the operation of unmanned aircraft and unmanned aircraft systems within their jurisdictions, as specified. The bill would also authorize a local agency to require an unmanned aircraft operator to provide proof of federal, state, or local registration to licensing or enforcement officials.	Oppose	1
AB 916	Muratsuchi D	Stewardship	Pesticide use: glyphosate.	2-Year Bill	Would, until January 1, 2025, prohibit a city, county, charter city, city and county, or a special district, as defined, from using any pesticide that contains the active ingredient glyphosate. The bill would not preclude a county, city, charter city, city and county, or a special district from adopting or enforcing stricter pesticide use policies.	Neutral	1
AB 1788	Bloom D	Stewardship	Pesticides: use of anticoagulants.	2-Year Bill	Current law prohibits the use of any pesticide that contains one or more of specified anticoagulants in wildlife habitat areas, as defined. Current law exempts from this prohibition the use of these pesticides for agricultural activities, as defined. Existing law requires the director, and each county agricultural commissioner under the direction and supervision of the director, to enforce the provisions regulating the use of pesticides. This bill would create the California Ecosystems Protection Act of 2019 and expand this prohibition against the use of a pesticide containing specified anticoagulants in wildlife habitat areas to the entire state.	Support	1



<p>AB 342</p>	<p>Muratsuchi D</p>	<p>Stewardship</p>	<p>Public lands: leasing: oil and gas: prohibition.</p>	<p>10/12/2019-Signed by the Governor</p>	<p>Current law authorizes the State Lands Commission to let leases for the extraction and removal of oil and gas deposits from state lands, including tidelands or submerged lands, in accordance with specified provisions of law. Current law vests exclusive jurisdiction over ungranted tidelands and submerged lands owned by the state to the State Lands Commission. Current law confers the powers of the State Lands Commission as to leasing or granting of rights or privileges to lands owned by the state upon a local trustee of granted public trust lands to which those lands have been granted. This bill, notwithstanding the leasing authority described above or any other law, and to the extent not prohibited by federal law, would prohibit any state agency, department, or commission, or any local trustee, as defined, with leasing authority over public lands within the state from entering into any new lease or other conveyance authorizing new construction of oil- and gas-related infrastructure upon public lands, including tidelands and submerged lands, to support production of oil and natural gas upon federal lands that are designated as, or were at any time designated as, federally protected lands, as defined.</p>	<p>Support</p>	<p>2</p>
<p>AB 450</p>	<p>Arambula D</p>	<p>Stewardship</p>	<p>Bees: Apiary Protection Act.</p>	<p>9/20/2019-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 300, Statutes of 2019.</p>	<p>Current law requires any apiary operator, or the apiary operator's designated representative, to notify a county agricultural commissioner when relocating a bee colony within the county, but does not impose a 72-hour deadline for providing notice or include other provisions relating to this requirement that are consistent with the specified provisions regarding notice of a relocation to another county. This bill would recast provisions regarding notice of relocation within a county to be consistent with those regarding notice of relocation to another county, including, among other things, by imposing a 72-hour deadline for providing notice of relocation within a county or subsequent movement within the destination county, and by exempting information provided pursuant to that notification requirement from disclosure pursuant to the California Public Records Act.</p>	<p>Support</p>	<p>2</p>



<p>AB 454</p>	<p>Kalra D</p>	<p>Stewardship</p>	<p>Migratory birds: California Migratory Bird Protection Act.</p>	<p>9/27/2019-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 349, Statutes of 2019.</p>	<p>Current federal law, the Migratory Bird Treaty Act, provides for the protection of migratory birds, as specified. The federal act also authorizes states and territories of the United States to make and enforce laws or regulations that give further protection to migratory birds, their nests, and eggs. Current state law makes unlawful the taking or possession of any migratory nongame bird, or part of any migratory nongame bird, as designated in the federal act, except as provided by rules and regulations adopted by the United States Secretary of the Interior under provisions of the federal act. This bill, the California Migratory Bird Protection Act, would instead, until January 20, 2025, make unlawful the taking or possession of any migratory nongame bird designated in the federal act before January 1, 2017, any additional migratory nongame bird that may be designated in the federal act after that date, or any part of those migratory nongame birds, except as provided by rules and regulations adopted by the United States Secretary of the Interior under the federal act before January 1, 2017, or subsequent rules or regulations adopted pursuant to the federal act, unless those rules or regulations are inconsistent with the Fish and Game Code.</p>	<p>Support</p>	<p>2</p>
<p>AB 948</p>	<p>Kalra D</p>	<p>Stewardship</p>	<p>Coyote Valley Conservation Program.</p>	<p>9/27/2019-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 356, Statutes of 2019.</p>	<p>Current law creates the Santa Clara Valley Open-Space Authority, and prescribes the jurisdiction and functions and duties of the authority. Current law authorizes the authority, among other things, to acquire, hold, and dispose of real and personal property, within the authority's jurisdiction, necessary to the full exercise of its powers. This bill would authorize the authority to establish and administer the Coyote Valley Conservation Program to address resource and recreational goals of the Coyote Valley, as defined. The bill would authorize the authority to collaborate with state, regional, and local partners to help achieve specified goals of the program. The bill would authorize the authority to, among other things, acquire and dispose of interests and options in real property.</p>	<p>Support</p>	<p>2</p>
<p>AB 1011</p>	<p>Petrie-Norris D</p>	<p>Stewardship</p>	<p>Coastal resources: coastal development permits: waiver of filing fees.</p>	<p>8/30/2019-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 185, Statutes of 2019.</p>	<p>Would authorize the California Coastal Commission to waive the filing fee for an application for a coastal development permit required under the California Coastal Act of 1976, as specified.</p>	<p>Support</p>	<p>2</p>
<p>AB 1718</p>	<p>Levine D</p>	<p>Stewardship</p>	<p>State parks: state beaches: smoking ban.</p>	<p>10/11/2019-Vetoed by the Governor</p>	<p>Current law makes it an infraction for a person to smoke a cigarette, cigar, or other tobacco product within 25 feet of a playground or tot lot sandbox area. This bill would make it an infraction for a person to smoke on a state beach or in a unit of the state park system or to dispose of used cigar or cigarette waste on a state beach or in a unit of the state park system, as specified. The bill would establish</p>	<p>Support</p>	<p>2</p>



SB 1	Atkins D	Stewardship	California Environmental, Public Health, and Workers Defense Act of 2019.	9/27/2019-Vetoed by the Governor. In Senate. Consideration of Governor's veto pending.	Current state law regulates the discharge of air pollutants into the atmosphere. The Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act regulates the discharge of pollutants into the waters of the state. The California Safe Drinking Water Act establishes standards for drinking water and regulates drinking water systems. The California Endangered Species Act requires the Fish and Game Commission to establish a list of endangered species and a list of threatened species, and generally prohibits the taking of those species. This bill would, until January 20, 2025, require specified agencies to take prescribed actions regarding certain federal requirements and standards pertaining to air, water, and protected species, as specified. By imposing new duties on local agencies, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program.	Support	2
SB 474	Stern D	Stewardship	The California Wildlife Protection Act of 1990: Habitat Conservation Fund.	2-Year Bill	Would establish the Wildlife Protection Subaccount in the Habitat Conservation Fund and would require the Controller, if an appropriation is made for this purpose in any fiscal year, to transfer \$30,000,000 from the General Fund to the subaccount, less any amount transferred from specified accounts and funds, to be expended by the board for the acquisition, enhancement, or restoration of wildlife habitat.	Support/ Coalition	2
SB 576	Umberg D	Stewardship	Coastal resources: Climate Ready Program and coastal climate change adaptation, infrastructure, and readiness program.	9/27/2019-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 374, Statutes of 2019.	Current law establishes the State Coastal Conservancy with prescribed powers and authorizes the conservancy to address the impacts and potential impacts of climate change on resources within its jurisdiction. Current law authorizes the conservancy to undertake, among other things, projects that reduce greenhouse gas emissions, address extreme weather events, sea level rise, storm surge, and other coastal hazards that threaten coastal communities, infrastructure, and natural resources. Current law authorizes the conservancy to award grants to public agencies and nonprofit organizations for these authorized activities. This bill would recast these provisions as the Climate Ready Program to be administered by the conservancy as described above.	Support	2
AB 933	Petrie-Norris D	Water	Ecosystem resilience: watershed protection: watershed coordinators.	2-Year Bill	Would authorize the Department of Conservation, to the extent funds are available, to establish and administer the Ecosystem Resilience Program to fund watershed coordinator positions, as provided, and other necessary costs, throughout the state for the purpose of achieving specified goals, including the goal to develop and implement watershed improvement plans, and other plans to enhance the natural functions of a watershed, aligned with multiple statewide and regional objectives across distinct bioregions. The bill would require the department to develop performance measures and accountability controls to track progress and outcomes of all watershed coordinator grants.	Support	2



<p>AB 394</p>	<p>Obernolte R</p>	<p>Wildfire</p>	<p>California Environmental Quality Act: exemption: egress route projects: fire safety.</p>	<p>10/2/2019-Vetoed by Governor.</p>	<p>Would, until January 1, 2025, exempt from CEQA egress route projects undertaken by a public agency that are specifically recommended by the State Board of Forestry and Fire Protection that improve the fire safety of an existing subdivision if certain conditions are met. The bill would require the lead agency to hold a noticed public meeting to hear and respond to public comments before determining that a project is exempt. The bill would require the lead agency, if it determines that a project is not subject to CEQA and approves or carries out that project, to file a notice of exemption with the Office of Planning and Research and with the clerk of the county in which the project will be located.</p>	<p>Watch</p>	<p>2</p>
<p>AB 1124</p>	<p>Maienschein D</p>	<p>Wildfire</p>	<p>Employment safety: outdoor workers: wildfire smoke.</p>	<p>8/15/2019-Ordered to inactive file at the request of Senator McGuire.</p>	<p>Would require, by July 18, 2019, the Occupational Safety and Health Standards Board to adopt emergency regulations that require employers to make respirators available to outdoor workers on any day the outdoor worker could reasonably be expected to be exposed to harmful levels of smoke from wildfires, or burning structures due to a wildfire, while working. By expanding the scope of an existing crime, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program.</p>	<p>Watch</p>	<p>2</p>
<p>AB 1516</p>	<p>Friedman D</p>	<p>Wildfire</p>	<p>Fire prevention: wildfire risk: defensible space and fuels reduction management.</p>	<p>10/13/2019-Vetoed by the Governor</p>	<p>Current law requires that a person who owns, leases, controls, operates, or maintains an occupied dwelling or structure in, upon, or adjoining a mountainous area, forest-covered land, brush-covered land, grass-covered land, or land that is covered with flammable material that is within a very high fire hazard severity zone, as designated by a local agency, or a building or structure in, upon, or adjoining those areas or lands within a state responsibility area, to maintain a defensible space of 100 feet from each side and from the front and rear of the structure, as specified. A repeated violation within a specified timeframe of those requirements is a crime. This bill would require a person described above to utilize more intense fuel reductions between 5 and 30 feet around the structure, and to create an ember-resistant zone within 5 feet of the structure, as provided.</p>	<p>Support</p>	<p>2</p>



<p>AB 1823</p>	<p>Committee on Natural Resources</p>	<p>Wildfire</p>	<p>Fire protection: local fire planning.</p>	<p>10/2/2019-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 399, Statutes of 2019.</p>	<p>Current law requires the State Board of Forestry and Fire Protection, on or before July 1, 2022, to develop criteria for and maintain a "Fire Risk Reduction Community" list of local agencies located in a state responsibility area or a very high fire hazard severity zone that meet best practices for local fire planning. Current law requires the state board to consider certain things when developing the criteria for the list, including recently developed or updated community wildfire protection plans. This bill would also require the state board, when considering developing criteria for the list, to consider compliance with the state board's regulations, including minimum fire safety standards. The bill would require the state board to post the list on its internet website. The bill would also repeal a duplicative and inoperative provision that incorrectly names the list.</p>		<p>2</p>
<p>SB 182</p>	<p>Jackson D</p>	<p>Wildfire</p>	<p>Local government: planning and zoning: wildfires.</p>	<p>2-Year Bill</p>	<p>Current law requires the planning agency to review and, if necessary, revise the safety element upon each revision of the housing element or local hazard mitigation plan, but not less than once every 8 years to identify new information relating to flood and fire hazards and climate adaptation and resiliency strategies applicable to the city or county that was not available during the previous revision of the safety element. Current law requires that the Office of Planning and Research, among other things, coordinate with appropriate entities, including state, regional, or local agencies, to establish a clearinghouse for climate adaptation information for use by state, regional, and local entities, as provided. This bill would require the safety element, upon the next revision of the housing element or the hazard mitigation plan, on or after January 1, 2020, whichever occurs first, to be reviewed and updated as necessary to include a comprehensive retrofit strategy to reduce the risk of property loss and damage during wildfires, as specified, and would require the planning agency to submit the adopted strategy to the Office of Planning and Research for inclusion into the above-described clearinghouse.</p>	<p>Support</p>	<p>2</p>
<p>SB 226</p>	<p>Nielsen R</p>	<p>Wildfire</p>	<p>Watershed restoration: wildfires: grant program.</p>	<p>2-Year Bill</p>	<p>Would, upon appropriation by the Legislature, require the National Resources Agency to develop and implement a watershed restoration grant program, as provided, for purposes of awarding grants to eligible counties, as defined, to assist them with watershed restoration on watersheds that have been affected by wildfire, as specified. The bill would require the agency to develop guidelines for the grant program, as provided. The bill would require an eligible county receiving funds pursuant to the grant program to submit annually to the agency a report regarding projects funded by the grant program, as provided.</p>	<p>Support</p>	<p>2</p>



<p>SB 247</p>	<p>Dodd D</p>	<p>Wildfire</p>	<p>Wildland fire prevention: vegetation management.</p>	<p>10/2/2019-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 406, Statutes of 2019.</p>	<p>Would require an electrical corporation, within one month of the completion of each substantial portion of the vegetation management requirements in its wildfire mitigation plan, to notify the Wildfire Safety Division of the completion. The bill would require the division to audit the completed work and would require the audit to specify any failure of the electrical corporation to fully comply with the vegetation management requirements. The bill would require the division to provide the audit to the electrical corporation and to provide the electrical corporation a reasonable time period to correct and eliminate deficiencies specified in the audit.</p>	<p>Watch</p>	<p>2</p>
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