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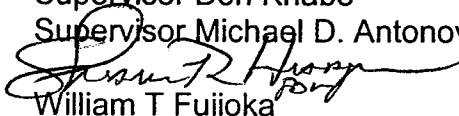
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SACRAMENTO UPDATE

Water Supply Special Session Update

On Thursday, December 6, 2007, the *Sacramento Bee* reported that an alliance of business and farm groups have initiated an effort to qualify an \$11.7 billion water bond initiative for the November 2008 ballot. Four versions of the initiative have been filed with the Attorney General. Earlier today, Senate President pro Tem Don Perata was joined by Senator Mike Machado and representatives from various environmental groups and water agencies at a press conference to indicate their opposition to the four bond initiatives proposed by the California Chamber of Commerce. Speakers at the press conference indicated that the bond proposals are flawed and do not address the "root causes of California's serious water supply problems."

All versions of the ballot initiatives include \$3.5 billion for the construction of new or expanded surface storage projects. Version "A" of the four ballot initiatives specifies certain eligible projects including Sites Reservoir (Colusa/Glenn Counties), Temperance Flat Reservoir (Fresno/Madera Counties), and expansion of Los Vaqueros Reservoir (Contra Costa County). The other three versions provide for funding surface storage projects identified in the CALFED Bay-Delta Program Record of Decision dated August 28, 2000, excluding the expansion of Shasta Reservoir, groundwater storage, and local and regional storage projects. Funding for these projects is subject to certain findings and requirements including a maximum 50 percent State cost share,

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quantifiable public benefits, and commitments of non-State share of funding. Proposed funding allocations for the four initiatives by category are depicted in the Attachment.

The proponents will subsequently determine which version of the ballot initiative will be pursued and gather the required valid signatures in anticipation of a November 2008 ballot.

We will continue to keep you advised.

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Attachment

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Funding Comparison of the Four Water Supply Bond Initiatives

Category	Version "A"	Version "B"	Version "C"	Version "D"
Delta Sustainability	(Ch. 6) \$2.4B (\$1B for water supply, water quality) ;\$1.4B sustainability of the Delta ecosystem)	(Ch. 7) \$2.4B (\$1B for water supply, water quality) ;\$1.4B sustainability of the Delta ecosystem)	(Ch. 7) \$2.4B (\$1B for water supply, water quality) ;\$1.4B sustainability of the Delta ecosystem)	(Ch. 7) \$2.4B (\$1B for water supply, water quality) ;\$1.4B sustainability of the Delta ecosystem)
Water Supply Reliability	(Ch. 7) \$2.2B (grants w/50% match (LA Sub-region \$343M)	(Ch. 6) \$2.2B (grants w/50% match (LA Sub-region \$343M)	(Ch. 6) \$2.2B (grants w/50% match (LA Sub-region \$343M)	(Ch. 6) \$2.2B (grants w/50% match (LA Sub-region \$343M)
Clean Drinking Water and Water Quality	(Ch. 8) \$1.5B (\$1B for expenditures, grants, and loans; \$500M for competitive grants)	(Ch. 9*) \$500M (expenditures, grants, and loans)	(Ch. 9*) \$500M (expenditures, grants, and loans)	(Ch. 9*) \$500M (expenditures, grants, and loans)
Conservation and Pollution Cleanup	(Ch. 9) \$1.04B (\$700M for expenditures and grants; \$155M – Dept. of Forestry; \$100M - Wildlife Conservation Board; \$85M - Dept. of Fish and Game)	(Ch. 8) \$1.24B (\$1B – expenses and grants for watersheds; \$155M – Dept. of Forestry; \$85M Dept. of Fish and Game)	(Ch. 8) \$1.24B (\$1B – expenses and grants for watersheds; \$155M – Dept. of Forestry; \$85M Dept. of Fish and Game)	(Ch. 8) \$1.24B (\$1B – expenses and grants for watersheds; \$155M – Dept. of Forestry; \$85M Dept. of Fish and Game)
Coastal Water Quality and Protection	(Ch. 10) \$300M (\$100M to public agencies; \$200M Coastal Conservancy)	(Ch. 9*) \$100M (public agencies) (Note: \$200M of \$1B in Ch. 8 is earmarked for the Coastal Conservancy)	(Ch. 9*) \$100M (public agencies) (Note: \$200M of \$1B in Ch. 8 is earmarked for the Coastal Conservancy)	(Ch. 9*) \$100M (public agencies) (Note: \$200M of \$1B in Ch. 8 is earmarked for the Coastal Conservancy)
Water Recycling	(Ch. 11) \$250M (grants and loans)	(Ch. 10) \$250M (grants and loans)	(Ch. 10) \$250M (grants and loans)	(Ch. 10) \$250M (grants and loans)
Water Storage Development	(Ch. 12) \$3.5B (State share of 3 specified projects based on findings, new projects)	(Ch. 7.5) \$3.5B "Statewide Water System Operational Improvement" (CALFED Bay-Delta Program)	(Ch. 7.5) \$3.5B "Statewide Water System Operational Improvement" (CALFED Bay-Delta Program)	(Ch. 7.5) \$3.5B "Statewide Water System Operational Improvement" (CALFED Bay-Delta Program)
Local and Regional Groundwater and Surface Storage	(Ch. 13) \$500M (grants and expenditures – planning, design, and construction)	\$1.5B (Ch. 9*) (\$400M - groundwater; \$100M - wastewater; \$500M - stormwater) (Ch 6*) \$500M local surface storage projects	\$1.5B (Ch. 9*) (\$400M - groundwater; \$100M - wastewater; \$500M - stormwater) (Ch 6*) \$500M local surface storage projects	\$1.5B (Ch. 9*) (\$400M - groundwater; \$100M - wastewater; \$500M - stormwater) (Ch 6*) \$500M local surface storage projects

* The Chapter (Ch. #) reference is split among more than one category