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Dear Friend:

The 1999-2000 legislative session highlighted the scope of issues assigned to the Assembly Natural Resources Committee and the work of Committee members helped maintain California as the nation's leader in environmental protection. Committee members approved legislation for the nation's first \$2 billion parks and open space bond and expanded and extended the most comprehensive "bottle bill" in the country.

Committee members also passed major legislation to help safeguard the California coast from polluted runoff and approved funding to restore protected salmon and steelhead runs. Additionally, members of the Committee helped create new conservancies for the San Gabriel River area and for the area of Los Angeles, and supported successful legislation adding the South Yuba River to the California list of "wild and scenic" rivers. Key legislation dealing with the pervasive problem of waste tires was another success by the Natural Resources Committee in the 1999-2000 session.

Should you have any questions regarding the summary or specific bills, please contact the Natural Resources Committee at (916) 319-2092.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Howard Wayne".

HOWARD WAYNE, Chair
Assembly Natural Resources Committee

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ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES OVERSIGHT RESPONSIBILITIES

The Committee, in conjunction with the Assembly Water, Parks and Wildlife Committee and the Resources Budget Subcommittee, undertook a major joint oversight hearing involving the Department of Fish and Game. The inquiry was begun by former Speaker Antonio Villaraigosa and ratified by current Speaker Robert Hertzberg who personally appeared at one of the hearings to emphasize the importance of legislative oversight during his tenure as Speaker. This oversight hearing uncovered vital environmental laws that historically were not being enforced or implemented by previous administrations. The current leadership of the Department contributed to the oversight hearing and is determined to rectify the errors made in the past. That is a welcome change that carries with it the great responsibility to help restore the public's faith in the Department of Fish and Game.

The oversight hearing unfortunately concluded that the Department does not have the resources to monitor what it should, does not track well what it does monitor, and does not adequately enforce existing environmental laws. In a welcome spirit of openness, these conclusions were reached with the cooperation of the Department's director, Robert Hight, and his directive to other departmental employees to cooperate with this oversight hearing. The hearing also generated a firm understanding of Director Hight's commitment to improve the Department in the future.

The oversight hearing did not look at every program of the Department. Instead it focused on enforcement of the laws that protect wildlife and the related issue of water quality and other public trust resources: the review of documents submitted to the Department pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA); monitoring of natural communities; and timber harvesting, to name three examples. The hearing also looked at the issue of improving the salary structure of fish and game wardens—the most underpaid law enforcement unit in the state—whom Chairman Wayne characterized as California's "environmental cops on the beat."

Chairman Wayne was pleased that after the oversight hearings, the Administration proposed an increase in funding for the Department for approximately 110 new positions. These positions will be used to improve the review by the Department of timber harvest plans and CEQA documents, two key issues raised by the oversight hearing. Some of these positions will also be used to support the biologists, wardens, and other professionals in the Department in meeting their administrative obligations. The Administration, at this time, did not concur with the Legislature's recommendations concerning salary increases for the wardens, or adding even more new positions for enforcement and natural community monitoring. Still, Chairman Wayne was pleased that on balance, the Administration responded favorably to the evidence compiled at the hearing about the Department and its inability to meet its mission under the artificially low funding levels maintained by previous administrations. There is more to do to improve the Department, but this year's oversight hearing produced significant progress.

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES
LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY
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~ **AGRICULTURAL LAND AND OPEN SPACE** ~

AB 47 (Cardoza) - Williamson Act: cancellation fees. This bill would have required that funds forwarded to the State Controller as fees paid in cancellation of a Williamson Act contract be directed to the Agricultural Land Stewardship Program Fund, rather than the General Fund, if not otherwise required to be deposited into other specified funds.

(Status: Vetoed by Governor, October 10, 1999)

AB 1480 (Cardoza) - Williamson Act: agricultural conservation easements. This bill would have clarified and specified the criteria required to establish an agricultural conservation easement on land that will replace other land under a Williamson Act contract that is proposed to be cancelled.

(Status: Vetoed by Governor, October 10, 1999)

AB 1944 (Wayne) - Williamson Act. As passed by this committee, this bill required new findings be made before cancellation of a Williamson Act contract can be approved by the city or county governing body and removed the authority for referencing outside documents within a contract. The Senate amendments removed this latter provision, but kept provisions that clarified exemptions involving the compatible use provisions of the Williamson Act. The bill also requires enhanced reporting to the Department of Conservation by local agencies regarding a pending Williamson Act contract cancellation.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 889, Statutes of 2000)

SB 95 (Chesbro) - Williamson Act: cancellation fees. When in the Assembly, this bill diverted from the General Fund to the Agricultural Land Stewardship Program (ALSP) Fund any Williamson Act contract cancellation fee remaining after the Legislature uses this revenue to fund programs related to mapping/monitoring farmlands and soil conservation. The bill was subsequently amended in the Senate to delete these provisions and instead provide that sellers of merchandise sold over the internet are exempt from retail space size limitations.

(Status: Vetoed by Governor, October 10, 1999)

SB 831 (Baca) - Agricultural land. This bill allows for automatic approval of specified land transfers (i.e. rescission of Williamson Act contracts in exchange for placing other land under a conservation easement) between landowners and multiple cities and counties.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 994, Statutes of 1999)

SB 985 (Johnston) - Public use of agricultural preserves. This bill makes technical and clarifying changes that strengthen Williamson Act provisions, including clarifying the limits under which Williamson Act contracted land can be subdivided or used for non-agricultural operations, such as mining. The bill also limits what constitutes a "recreational use" on

contracted land to activities not contrary to agricultural or open space purposes.
(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 1018, Statutes of 1999)

SB 1878 (Johnston) - Agricultural lands. This bill would have made several technical changes to various land conservation and land use programs, including the Williamson Act, the California Farmland Conservancy Program, and the Subdivision Map Act.
(Status: Held on the Assembly Floor)

SB 2204 (Soto) - Agricultural land. This bill provides that easements located within the Counties of San Bernardino and Riverside may be related to Williamson Act contract rescissions in either county.
(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 431, Statutes of 2000)

~ AIR QUALITY ~

AB 809 (Strom-Martin) - Special environmental design license plates: fund. As passed by this committee, this bill redirected one-half of the revenues derived from the issuance of special coastal design license plate from the Environmental License Plate Fund to a new License Plate Coastal Access Account and specified the authorized uses of these revenues. The bill was subsequently amended in its entirety and became the smog impact refund bill authored by Assemblymember Lowenthal.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 31, Statutes of 2000)

AB 1164 (Aanestad) - Gasoline vapor recovery control systems. This bill requires the State Air Resources Board to update its list of equipment defects in gasoline pump vapor recovery systems that would subject the pump operator to a notice of violation or a repair requirement. The bill also provides that if an operator demonstrates that an alleged component defect is not one identified on the list, the demonstration creates a rebuttable presumption that the component is in good working order.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 501, Statutes of 1999)

AB 1403 (Soto) - South Coast Air Quality Management District. This bill requires the South Coast Air Quality Management District to institute new procedures to notify and provide outreach to small businesses regarding rulemaking activity.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 506, Statutes of 1999)

AB 1487 (Maldonado) - Clean Air Act State Implementation Plan: air district rule revisions. This bill addresses problems created by a backlog in the United States Environmental Protection Agency's (USEPA) approval of state-submitted changes to California's State Implementation Plan. There is currently a backlog of between 1100 and 2000 rules that have been adopted in California, but are not federally enforceable because they have not yet been approved by the USEPA. This bill requires local air districts to publish monthly a list of the district's rule revisions and the action take (or not taken) by the USEPA.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 451, Statutes of 1999)

AB 1775 (Lowenthal) - Petroleum coke dust. This bill requires the Ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach to address potential air quality problems that can be caused by petroleum coke that is stored in open piles at the ports.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 500, Statutes of 2000)

AB 1877 (Maldonado) - Air pollution: rules and regulations. This bill requires an air pollution control or air quality management district (air district) to review whether applicable air pollution standards have been achieved and whether an applicable standard should be required.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 501, Statutes of 2000)

AB 2283 (Florez) - Air pollution: control measures. This bill requires the State Air Resources Board to report to the Legislature, by January 1, 2002, on matters regarding emissions abatement equipment in the San Joaquin Valley Unified Air Pollution Control District that is used to reduce or eliminate emissions from steam generators, boilers, process heaters,

furnaces, and dehydrators subject to "best available control technology" (BACT) and "best available retrofit control technology" (BARCT) requirements. The bill focuses the Air Board's investigation on major stationary sources of oxides of nitrogen (NOx) that are controlled by BACT or BARCT.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 397, Statutes of 2000)

AB 2514 (Thomson) - Agricultural biomass and rice straw. As passed by this committee, this bill required the State Air Resources Board, in consultation with the Department of Food and Agriculture, on or before July 1, 2001, to report to the Legislature on the state and federal funds available to finance the alternatives to rice burning identified in the biennial report and to make recommendations regarding the use of those funds. The Senate amendments deleted the entire contents of the bill and instead created the Agricultural Biomass Utilization Account, appropriating \$10 million from the General Fund to provide incentives for businesses that utilize agricultural biomass.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 1017, Statutes of 2000)

AB 2576 (Briggs) - Air pollution and gasoline vapor control systems. This bill would have provided that when an air pollution control district determines that a gasoline vapor recovery system is not in compliance with any law requiring a specific vapor recovery level, the district shall provide notice of noncompliance and issue no fines if repairs are made within seven days and the operator did not use the system between the date of installation and the date found not in compliance.

(Status: Held in Assembly Natural Resources Committee)

AB 2825 (Battin) - Biomass facilities: grant program. As passed by this committee, this bill established the Central Valley Agricultural Biomass-to-Energy Incentive Grant Program, to which an air pollution control district or air quality management district may apply to provide incentives to facilities within its jurisdiction that convert agricultural biomass into energy, so long as the conversion results in lower oxides of nitrogen (NOx) emissions than would otherwise be produced if the biomass were burned in an open field.

The Senate amendments change the name of the program to the "Agricultural Biomass to Energy Incentive Grant Program" and revise the definition of the term "facility" to delete the requirement that the facility convert qualified agricultural biomass from the Central Valley, and included those facilities that do not produce electricity for sale to a public utility. The bill also revises the definition of "qualified agricultural biomass" to include only that determined by the State Air Resources Board to have been historically open-field burned in the geographic jurisdiction of the air district from which the agricultural residues are derived for purposes of that program.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 739, Statutes of 2000)

AB 2939 (Committee on Natural Resources) - Air resources. Sponsored by the Law Revision Commission, this bill makes numerous technical and cleanup changes to several California air quality statutes. Many of these changes eliminate needless sections, make grammatical improvements, and eliminate language that has expired or duplicates other statutes.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 890, Statutes of 2000)

SB 136 (Knight) - Air pollution: Great Basin: mitigation. This bill would have made changes to the authority of the Great Basin Air Pollution Control District to require the City of Los Angeles to mitigate air quality emissions from the Owens Lake dry lakebed.

(Status: Failed passage in the Assembly Appropriations Committee)

SB 821 (Sher) - Emission reduction credits. This bill would have made a number of changes, including several technical "cleanup" amendments, to various provisions of the California Clean Air Act. Specifically, the bill would have specified requirements for the inventory of air pollution sources prepared by the state Air Resources Board (ARB), and requires ARB to periodically review emission reduction and credit trading programs. The bill also would have authorized a local district to use a socioeconomic analysis prepared pursuant to other requirements to be used or referenced when promulgating a proposed new rule. Further, the bill would have made a number of changes to the certification program for gasoline vapor control and recovery systems.

(Status: Vetoed by Governor, October 10, 1999)

SB 823 (Sher) - Air pollution: particulate matter. This bill would have enacted the Particulate Matter Research Act of 1999 to require the State Air Resources Board (ARB) to implement a particulate matter research program. The bill creates the Particulate Matter Research Program Advisory Committee to make recommendations to the ARB on program priorities and requires the ARB to report annually to the Legislature on the program. The provisions of the bill sunset January 1, 2004.

(Status: Held in Assembly Natural Resources Committee)

SB 1001 (Bowen) - Prescribed burning activities. As passed by this committee, this bill changed and made uniform the definition of "prescribed burning" in both the Health and Safety Code and the Public Resources Code to include planned burning of wildland fuels on lands for specific management purposes. Ultimately the contents of the bill were deleted and the bill was amended to change the author to Senator Burton and to require reporting of the amount of methyl tertiary butyl ether used in gasoline in the state.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 814, Statutes of 1999)

SB 1083 (Knight) - Commercial space programs. This bill would have expanded the Commercial Space Program Permit Streamlining Act by extending its application to the Counties of San Luis Obispo and Merced, and the portions of the Counties of Los Angeles and San Bernardino located outside the jurisdiction of the South Coast Air Quality Management District. It also extends the Act to facilities that build or launch reusable space vehicles.

(Status: Held on the Assembly Floor)

SB 1186 (Ortiz) - Rice straw: air quality. This bill requires the State Air Resources Board, in consultation with the State Department of Food and Agriculture, to prepare and submit to the Legislature recommendations for ensuring consistency and predictability in the supply of rice straw for cost-effective uses that are an alternative to burning.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 640, Statutes of 1999)

SB 1195 (Hayden) - South Coast Air Quality Management District: particulate matter reporting. This bill requires the South Coast Air Quality Management District to add fine particulate matter (PM 2.5) to its current daily pollutant reporting, forecasting and notifications starting July 1, 2001. It further requires an assessment of PM 2.5 in the South Coast Air Basin, a revision of the District's Air Quality Management Plan, and the preparation of a report, in conjunction with a public health organization or agency, on the health impacts of particulate matter air pollution.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 477, Statutes of 1999)

SB 1253 (Sher) - Climate change. This bill would have required the California Energy Commission to undertake a variety of activities to better understand and prepare for the impacts of greenhouse gas emissions in California.

(Status: Vetoed by Governor, October 10, 1999)

SB 1298 (Bowen) - Air emissions from distributed generation facilities. This bill requires the State Air Resource Board to adopt emissions standards for distributed generation technologies determined to have significant potential for market penetration in the state.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 741, Statutes of 2000)

SB 1771 (Sher) - Greenhouse gas emission reductions. This bill establishes the California Climate Action Registry to establish, among other things, emissions baselines against which any future federal greenhouse gas emission reduction requirements may be applied, to encourage voluntary actions to increase energy efficiency and reduce greenhouse gas emissions, and record voluntary greenhouse gas emissions made after 1990.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 1018, Statutes of 2000)

SB 1794 (Ortiz) - Rice straw burning. Subject to appropriation this bill extends through 2003, the authorization for the State Air Resources Board to provide grants for new projects that demonstrate alternative uses for rice straw that preclude burning.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 1019, Statutes of 2000)

SB 1865 (Perata) - Air pollution civil and criminal penalties. This bill increases several existing civil and criminal penalties for air quality violations to make them similar to penalties for water quality and hazardous waste law violations. The bill reorganizes the air quality provisions so that like violations appear in the same sections.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 805, Statutes of 2000)

SB 2130 (Sher) - Air pollution penalties. This bill authorizes the State Air Resources Board to impose administrative penalties, as an alternative to seeking civil penalties, in an amount equal to or less than that which may be imposed as civil penalties.

(Status: Failed passage on the Senate Floor)

SJR 39 (Knight) - Air quality. This resolution would support the State Air Resources Board's proposal to exclude East Kern County from the San Joaquin Planning Area for air quality purposes.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Resolution Chapter 166, Statutes of 2000)

~ CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) ~

AB 1807 (Longville) - California Environmental Quality Act: transportation. This bill requires the Office of Planning and Research (OPR) to receive notices of preparation (pursuant to CEQA), requires OPR to transmit Department of Transportation (Caltrans) information to the lead agency, and requires certain reporting and monitoring programs to be submitted to Caltrans. Currently, transportation information from certain reporting or monitoring programs is submitted to regional transportation agencies, but not Caltrans. If Caltrans cannot obtain this information, then it is more difficult to develop mitigation measures that may be more effective or less expensive for future projects.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 738, Statutes of 2000)

AB 1960 (Machado) - Local agency formation: California Environmental Quality Act. As originally proposed, the bill would have created an exemption from CEQA for certain activities related to new incorporations of cities. In committee the bill was amended to condition the CEQA exemption so that the exemption conformed substantially with existing law dealing with new incorporations. As passed by both houses, however, the bill does not contain a CEQA exemption of any sort and instead prohibits the LAFCO from charging the proponent a fee to recover the commission's costs for preparing an environmental impact report. The bill would have required the incorporated city to pay the actual costs incurred, plus interest, to the commission or, if the incorporation is not successful, authorize the commission to request reimbursement from the Controller.

(Status: Vetoed by Governor, September 22, 2000)

AB 2343 (Ducheny) - Affordable housing exemption for California Environmental Quality Act. This bill would have established conditions that would have resulted in a CEQA exemption for certain housing projects. However, the Committee reached no consensus on whether those conditions were or were not sufficient, or whether the CEQA exemption was necessary. Negotiations to propose a policy bill to expedite affordable and infill housing continued to the end of the session, but no agreement was reached. The chairman has pledged to continue the dialogue in the interim and in 2001.

(Status: Held in Assembly Natural Resources Committee)

AB 2848 (Firebaugh) - Environmental impact reports. To avoid duplication in preparation of environmental documents at the federal and state level for the same transportation project, this bill authorizes the use of a federal environmental impact statement when possible, in order to avoid preparation of a state environmental impact report. The bill also requires consultation with the lead agency and notification to federal agencies in order to implement this section. The bill is an urgency bill.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 387, Statutes of 2000)

SB 755 (Hayden) - California Environmental Quality Act. This bill would have revised CEQA and made it more consistent with regulations concerning mandatory findings of significance and recent court decisions concerning deferred mitigation. The bill also would have coordinated CEQA with provisions of the planning and zoning law concerning development agreements. Further, SB 755 would have provided that an increase in public

agency revenues cannot be the sole factor in approving a project when the project causes significant environmental impacts.

(Status: Held in Assembly Appropriations Committee)

SB 761 (Sher) - Environmental Quality. This bill would have required the Office of Planning and Research to establish and maintain a central repository for the collection, storage, retrieval and dissemination of certain California environmental quality notices and to make the notices available through the Internet.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 716, Statutes of 2000)

SB 766 (Escutia) - Redevelopment: City of South Gate. This bill exempts from specific provisions of California redevelopment law a specific parcel of land proposed for addition to the City of South Gate's redevelopment agency. The exemption from CEQA that was in the bill as it was introduced has been removed. The City of South Gate will be able to use a pre-existing environmental impact report pursuant to existing law.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 766, Statutes of 2000)

SB 1562 (Burton) - California Environmental Quality Act: mitigation of projects through wetlands restoration. This bill creates, subject to certain conditions, an exception to CEQA dealing with the proposed expansion of the San Francisco Airport (SFO). This bill pre-approves as mitigation for SFO expansion the payment of money to restore wetlands (former salt ponds) along the southern parts of the San Francisco Bay. This bill does not affect the obligation of those public agencies who would manage the restoration to comply with CEQA when approving the proposed acquisition, enhancement, or restoration of these lands. This bill also calls for a study of the joint management possibilities of SFO and the Oakland International Airport that includes linking the airports by high-speed rail and ferry.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 925, Statutes of 2000)

SB 1778 (Johnston) - Surplus property: California Environmental Quality Act exemption. This is the annual surplus property bill, which authorizes the Department of General Services to dispose of specific parcels of land under certain conditions. As with bills in prior years, this bill contains boilerplate language with respect to notice requirements, reservation of mineral rights, and exemption from specified CEQA requirements. As with previous bills, only the transfer of property is exempted from the CEQA provisions. The new property owner must comply with CEQA, if applicable, for any new use of the property.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 770, Statutes of 2000)

SJR 35 (Knight) - Fort Irwin (National Training Center). This resolution memorializes Congress and the President to act promptly with regard to the expansion of the National Training Center at Fort Irwin, California. Previously, the measure had language "approving" the expansion but the Committee wasn't as enthusiastic as the author. The measure was amended also to include language requiring consistency with applicable state and federal environmental laws, a provision that was absent in the original version of the measure. These amendments were taken because of the controversial nature of the expansion proposal at Fort Irwin and the Committee's desire to protect archeological sites, wildlife, and the desert environment.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Resolution Chapter 164, Statutes of 2000)

~ COASTAL ISSUES ~

AB 64 (Ducheny) - Public beach restoration. This bill establishes the California Public Beach Restoration Program, to be administered by the Department of Boating and Waterways (department) for public beach enhancement purposes. The bill requires the department and the Coastal Conservancy to prepare a report detailing the restoration, nourishment, and enhancement activities undertaken, the effectiveness of the program, and ways to increase natural sediment.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 798, Statutes of 1999)

AB 399 (Wayne) - Coastal development permits: finding. This bill would have required all coastal development permits issued under the Coastal Act to include a specific finding that the development conforms to the public access and public recreation provisions of the Coastal Act.

(Status: Held in Assembly Natural Resources Committee)

AB 492 (Wayne) - Coastal resources: public access. This bill prohibits the transfer or sale of coastal land from the state to private entities if the land has existing or potential public accessways to or from the sea, with specific exceptions for sales and transfers to nonprofit organizations, the Coastal Conservancy and the State Department of Parks and Recreation.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 822, Statutes of 1999)

AB 642 (Lempert) - Wetlands mitigation banking. This bill enacts the California Coastal Wetlands Mitigation Banking and Restoration Act of 2000 to set criteria for creating and maintaining new wetlands in close proximity to areas where current wetlands will be destroyed by development projects.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 950, Statutes of 2000)

AB 848 (Kuehl) - Coastal development permits: temporary nonrecurring movie and television sets. This bill allows local jurisdictions to delegate to the Coastal Commission the authority to issue coastal development permits for projects that include temporary movie and television production sets.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 491, Statutes of 1999)

AB 989 (Lowenthal) - Coastal Act enforcement. This bill would have given the Coastal Commission an efficient and inexpensive enforcement tool by allowing the Commission to record a notice of violation on property developed in violation of the Coastal Act. This procedure would have served to warn potential buyers that a property is not in compliance with coastal protection laws.

(Status: Vetoed by Governor, September 27, 1999)

AB 993 (Shelley) - Marine Life Protection Act. This bill was re-referred to the Committee on Water, Parks & Wildlife because that committee had the appropriate jurisdiction for this issue.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 1015, Statutes of 1999)

AB 1280 (Jackson) - Offshore oil. This bill would have required that all oil extracted under the sea must be transported by pipeline to onshore processing and refining facilities. The bill further stated that the best technology must be used to seal all closed or abandoned offshore wells and the bill would have required specific agencies to inventory existing oil pipeline mapping information and report to the Legislature.

(Status: Failed concurrence in Senate amendments)

AB 1293 (Mazzoni) - Coastal protection: public education programs. This bill would have allowed the California Coastal Commission to expand the scope and content of its existing coastal education programs. The bill would have authorized the State Department of Boating and Waterways to establish an environmental education/pollution prevention program.

(Status: Vetoed by Governor, September 27, 1999)

AB 1581 (Lowenthal) - Local port and harbor agencies: federal navigation projects. This bill would have required the California Maritime Infrastructure Authority, subject to funds being appropriated in the annual Budget Act for this purpose, to allocate funds for the 1999-2000 fiscal year to local port and harbor agencies to meet local matching share requirements for federal navigation projects pursuant to the Federal Water Resources Development Act.

(Status: Held in Senate Appropriations Committee)

AB 2387 (Keeley) - California Ocean Resources Stewardship Act of 2000. As passed by this committee, this bill created, within the Resources Agency, the California Cooperative Ocean Studies Program (CalCOS), to assist in the coordination of marine science between public and private and governmental and non-governmental agencies, institutions, and organizations. The bill was substantially amended in the Senate, changing the name of the program to the California Ocean Resources Stewardship Act of 2000 (CORSA) and requiring a study by the Resources Agency regarding adequate coordination of ocean resources among regional, state, and federal agencies and marine science institutions.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 516, Statutes of 2000)

AB 2748 (Bates) - Public beach restoration. This bill would have required the cost of feasibility studies for developing sand replacement strategies to be included as part of nonfederal costs for beach restoration projects funded pursuant to the California Public Beach Restoration Program. The bill would have also appropriated \$35 million to carry out the program and extends a reporting deadline.

(Status: Held in Assembly Appropriations Committee)

SB 57 (Hayden) - Santa Monica Bay Restoration Project. This bill creates the Santa Monica Bay Restoration Project (Project) with the California Environmental Protection Agency (Cal EPA) and establishes specific objectives for it, including requiring the Project to establish specific objectives, including the reduction or elimination of nonpoint source pollution, threats of oil and spills and leaks, beach erosion, and public health threats from pollution.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 983, Statutes of 2000)

SB 243 (McPherson) - Recreational property: development fees. This bill allows public and private property owners to recover attorney fees from the state if they successfully defend

lawsuits by third parties seeking to prevent or reduce public access to their property, and increases the cap on state reimbursements for these and related fees from \$100,000 to \$200,000. *(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 775, Statutes of 1999)*

SB 291 (Chesbro) - California Coastal Salmonid Conservation and Recovery Act. This bill would have enacted the California Coastal Salmon Conservation and Recovery Act, which will provide for the allocation of federal funds from the federal Pacific Coastal Salmon Recovery Fund to be administered by the Resources Agency. This bill further creates technical and regional advisory boards to evaluate proposals for funds, and requires the Secretary of the Resources Agency to establish a priority project list for funding. *(Status: Held in Assembly Appropriations Committee)*

SB 1156 (Sher) - San Francisco Bay Area Conservancy Program Account. This bill requires that funds deposited into a specified subaccount of the San Francisco Bay Area Conservancy Program Account be continuously appropriated, without regard to fiscal year, to the State Coastal Conservancy to fund particular resource and recreational coordination programs. *(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 639, Statutes of 1999)*

SB 1281 (Chesbro) - Federal navigation project funding for local port and harbor agencies. As passed by this committee, this bill appropriated \$75,000 to the State Lands Commission to complete an evaluation and ranking of port and harbor dredge projects. The bill was subsequently amended in its entirety to establish the California River Parkways Act of 2000, and appropriate \$5.7 million from the water bond (Proposition 13) to provide grants to local river parkway projects through the Resources Agency. This version was authored by Senator Costa. *(Status: Held on the Senate Floor)*

~ CONSERVANCIES ~

AB 339 (Runner) - Rim of the Valley Trail Corridor: boundary revisions. This bill enables the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy to extend the boundary of the Rim of the Valley Trail Corridor to include land in the vicinity of Placerita Canyon State Park, including Whitney Canyon and its adjacent watersheds.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 377, Statutes of 1999)

AB 1355 (Havice) - Eastern Los Angeles and San Gabriel Rivers and Mountains Conservancy. This bill establishes the San Gabriel and Lower Los Angeles Rivers and Mountains Conservancy (Conservancy) as a state agency within the Resources Agency for the purpose of acquiring and managing public lands within the watersheds of the Lower Los Angeles and San Gabriel Rivers for open-space, recreational and educational uses, and wildlife protection; and for the purpose of preserving these rivers in a manner consistent with existing and adopted flood control projects. This bill works in conjunction with SB 216 (Solis). It outlines the territory of the Conservancy and AB 1355 outlines the limitations on the Conservancy's powers. SB 216 contains general provisions, and also delineates the board of directors and powers and duties of the Conservancy.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 788, Statutes of 1999)

SB 203 (Solis) - San Gabriel River and Mountains Conservancy. This bill clarifies territory served by the San Gabriel and Lower Los Angeles Rivers and Mountains Conservancy (Conservancy), corrects the names of the organizations that serve on the board, lists the cities whose political boundaries shall be considered within the Conservancy, and makes other technical changes, including authorizing the Conservancy to be known as the "Joint Rivers and Mountains Conservancy."

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 711, Statutes of 2000)

SB 216 (Solis) - San Gabriel River and Mountains Conservancy. This bill establishes the San Gabriel and Lower Los Angeles Rivers and Mountains Conservancy (Conservancy) as a state agency within the Resources Agency for the purpose of acquiring and managing public lands within the San Gabriel River and Lower Los Angeles River watersheds for open-space, recreational and educational uses, and wildlife protection; and for the purpose of preserving these rivers consistent with flood control projects. This bill works in conjunction with AB 1355 (Havice). This bill contains the general provisions, establishes the membership of the board of directors and defines other powers and duties. AB 1355 now outlines the territory of the Conservancy and the limitations on the Conservancy's powers.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 789, Statutes of 1999)

SB 333 (Schiff) - Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy Advisory Committee: membership. This bill expands the membership of the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy advisory committee to reflect additions to the land within the Conservancy's jurisdiction.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 182, Statutes of 1999)

SB 526 (Kelley) - Coachella Valley Mountain Conservancy. This bill makes the boundaries of the Coachella Valley Mountain Conservancy the same as the boundaries of the local Natural Community Conservation Plan.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 419, Statutes of 1999)

SB 1455 (Schiff) - Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy. This bill increases the size of the advisory board of the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy, increases the size of the governing board of the conservancy, and creates a legislative committee to participate in conservancy activities.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 991, Statutes of 2000)

SB 1625 (Murray) - Baldwin Hills Conservancy. This bill establishes the Baldwin Hills Conservancy to acquire and manage public lands within the Baldwin Hills area of Los Angeles County, and prescribes the management, powers, and duties of the conservancy. It empowers the Baldwin Hills Conservancy within the Resources Agency to acquire and manage public lands within the Baldwin Hills area; to provide recreational, open-space, wildlife habitat restoration and protection; to provide lands for educational uses within the area; to acquire open-space lands within the conservancy; to provide for the public's enjoyment; and to enhance the recreational and educational experience on public lands in the territory in a manner consistent with the protection of lands and resources in the area.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 428, Statutes of 2000)

SB 1921 (Kelley) - Coachella Valley Mountains Conservancy. This bill adds the Director of Finance to and removes one of the two members of the Riverside County Board of Supervisors from, the 21-member board of the Coachella Valley Mountains Conservancy (Conservancy). This bill was sponsored by the Resources Agency. Because conservancies generally depend on state funding for a significant share of their budgets, the Resources Agency has determined that a higher proportion of state representation is appropriate. Supporters of this bill also contend that this proposed change will ensure that projects undertaken by the Conservancy are consistent with state policies and goals for habitat and species preservation, open space protection and recreational opportunities.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 217, Statutes of 2000)

SB 2086 (Johnston) - Conservancies. As passed by this committee, this bill would have required a feasibility study of whether two new conservancies should be established in California, one in the Sierra Nevada, and one in the Central Valley. Issues of growth, land-use development, and agricultural land preservation were some of the issues that contributed to this bill. The feasibility study would have been conducted by the Resources Agency.

(Status: Vetoed by Governor, September 29, 2000)

~ ENERGY ~

AB 1956 (Keeley) - Utilities: hydroelectric assets. This bill would have authorized the state Public Utilities Commission to accept a deemed valuation in lieu of market valuation of hydroelectric assets in California and would have given the state right of first refusal for sale of the hydroelectric assets. The bill would also have created the Consumers' Energy and Environmental Security Authority to manage any state owned hydroelectric assets under specified conditions and while meeting certain environmental standards.

(Status: Held in Assembly Utilities and Commerce Committee)

SB 110 (Peace) - Energy conservation: power facility and site certification. This bill amends the California Energy Commission's (CEC) powerplant siting process to eliminate the "integrated assessment of need" requirement and expand the exemption of natural gas powerplants from the site evaluation process. The bill also requires CEC to provide reports to the Governor and the Legislature concerning improvements to the power plant siting process, data collection in the restructured electricity market and environmental performance of electric generation facilities.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 581, Statutes of 1999)

SB 1345 (Peace) - Solar energy systems: grant program. This bill revises the definition of solar energy system and implements a new grant program through the California Energy Commission to offset a portion of the costs of solar energy systems and distributed generation systems.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 537, Statutes of 2000)

SB 1388 (Peace) - Electrical power facilities. This bill enacts California Energy Commission (CEC) recommended changes to current electrical power plant siting processes. The bill also makes several changes to continued implementation of electrical restructuring in California, including requiring local agencies that provide recommendations on power plant sitings to the CEC to do so within 180 days, and eliminating the requirement that the CEC prepare a geothermal resource sufficiency study whenever it considers a proposal to site geothermal electrical generation facilities. The bill also requires the California Public Utilities Commission in conjunction with the Electrical Oversight Board, to facilitate approval of reasonable transmission facility planning and engineering procedures and requires the CPUC to conduct specified pilot projects of certain customers to gauge small consumer responsiveness to energy usage and price information.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 1040, Statutes of 2000)

~ ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE ~

SB 25 (Escutia) - Environmental health protection: children. This environmental health measure revises the processes by which ambient air quality and toxic air contaminant standards are set, and requires that these standards be set at levels that protect the health of infants and children. This bill also establishes a Children's Environmental Health Center.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 731, Statutes of 1999)

SB 89 (Escutia) - Environmental Quality, Environmental Justice. This bill establishes a working group on environmental justice to work within CalEPA, the agency that is specifically charged with assisting the Office of Planning and Research in developing the mission statement that is required by Public Resources Code Section 72001. The working group will examine existing environmental justice studies, make recommendations about implementing environmental justice goals in California, and work with a public advisory body that is also created by this legislation.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 728, Statutes of 2000)

SB 115 (Solis) - Environmental effect of projects on minority and low-income populations. As passed by this committee, this measure enacted policies and programs to evaluate and address disproportionately high and adverse human health and environmental effects on minority and low-income populations. The bill was subsequently amended to establish the Governor's Office of Planning and Research as the lead agency in state government for environmental justice programs.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 690, Statutes of 1999)

SB 1408 (Alarcon) - Environmental Justice: demonstration projects. This bill would have established the "Environmental Justice Technical Assistance Grant Demonstration Program" to do the following: allocate grants of up to \$25,000 to community-based or non-profit organizations; and help pay costs incurred by low-income or minority communities, disproportionately affected by adverse human health or environmental effects, to obtain technical assistance to participate in a broad array of actions contemplated by Cal-EPA entities, the California Energy Commission, or Caltrans.

(Status: Held in Assembly Appropriations Committee)

~ FORESTRY ~

AB 242 (Thomson) - Forestry: Oak Woodlands. This bill would have enacted the Oak Woodland Conservation Act to provide funding for the conservation and protection of California's oak woodlands. The Wildlife Conservation Board would have administered an Oak Woodland Conservation Program Fund, provided money for local governments, park and open space districts, resource conservation districts, and nonprofit organizations for acquisition and protection of oak woodlands. Criteria for approval of loans and grants were in the bill.
(Status: Held in the Senate Appropriations Committee)

AB 441 (Mazzoni) - California Conservation Corps: CalFIRE grants. As heard by this committee, this bill would have required the Department of Forestry and Fire Protection to establish a statewide fire prevention program, known as the CalFIRE program, to carry out brush clearance, fire reduction activities and community education. This bill was subsequently amended to become a bill with the Tomales Village Community Services District.
(Status: Vetoed by Governor, September 25, 2000)

AB 446 (Oller) - Recycled water: Lake Tahoe Basin. This bill would have authorized the use of recycled water for fire suppression within the Lake Tahoe Basin at the discretion of a fire incident commander, if the commander determines that severe harm to life, property, or the environment may occur if the recycled water is not used.
(Status: Held in Assembly Water Parks and Wildlife Committee)

AB 717 (Keeley) - Timber harvesting plans: silvicultural practices. This bill contained requirements for watershed assessments to be included in Timber Harvest Plans (THPs). It requires state agencies to publicize information regarding conditions in a THP area. The bill further requires the State Department of Forestry and Fire Prevention to respond to agency comments on THPs and extended the comment period for new information. The bill also imposes civil penalties for THP violations.
(Status: Held on the Senate Floor)

AB 720 (Dickerson) - Conservation camps: prisoners. This bill would have appropriated approximately \$10.6 million to the Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CDF) to establish fire crews within existing conservation camps and to establish new conservation camps under the supervision of the California Department of Corrections.
(Status: Held in Assembly Appropriations Committee)

AB 748 (Keeley) - Timber harvesting plans: fees. This bill would have established a process within the Department of Forestry and Fire Protection for ensuring that all the costs of reviewing, processing and approving/denying a timber harvesting plan are borne by the party submitting the plan.
(Status: Held on the Assembly Floor)

AB 1148 (Dickerson) - Timber harvesting: payments. This bill requires the State Controller's Office to allocate federal funds due to counties from the federally administered timber harvesting program within 30 working days after receipt of the funds. The State

Controller's Office will also be required to notify counties as soon as the State receives the funds, to make the payments through electronic fund transfers, and to calculate and pay interest to each county.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 466, Statutes of 1999)

AB 1434 (Granlund) - Forestry: director and deputies: qualities. This bill would have specified minimum experience requirements for either the director or one of the deputy directors of the Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CDF).

(Status: Held in Assembly Appropriations Committee)

AB 1999 (Dickerson) - Conservation camps. This bill was more ambitious when it was considered by this Committee, but in the form it passed both houses, the bill requires the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CDF) to reactivate a 20-person crew at each of 17 conservation camps and to provide necessary training, vehicles, and equipment, subject to the appropriation of funds in the budget. The bill also requires the Secretary of the Resources Agency to report on this program and for the state correctional department to make available more inmates for the program.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 709, Statutes of 2000)

AB 2478 (Strom-Martin) - Forest resources. This bill changes the forestry and advisory program at the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection funded by the Forest Resources Improvement Fund into a forestry assistance program and adds a component that emphasizes financial assistance and education. The bill also makes eligible for funding projects to restore fisheries, projects that make wildlife habitat improvements, and expands eligibility to include all native trees, including oak woodlands, and adds certain land treatments to the list of approved conservation treatments.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 409, Statutes of 2000)

AJR 69 (Aanestad) - Forestry: national forest lands. This joint resolution, substantially amended in committee, calls on federal forest management agencies to develop a national lands forestry strategy that incorporates prescribed burning into an "appropriate mix" of management strategies including logging and grazing on public lands, small-scale prescribed burns, and selective thinning.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Resolution Chapter 152, Statutes of 2000)

SB 406 (Ortiz) - Forest resources: Forest Resources Improvement Fund. Urban forestry programs currently have access to funds through the Forest Resources Improvement Fund (FRIF), specifically, ten percent of the net state forest receipts from the sale of forest products after the General Fund is reimbursed for costs of operating the state forests, subject to appropriation by the Legislature. This bill would have mandated that the appropriation from the FRIF must be used for urban forestry.

(Status: Held on the Assembly Floor)

SB 436 (Rainey) - State Board of Forestry: state responsibility areas. This bill would have required the Board of Forestry to add 10 islands in the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta area to the list of designated state responsibility areas for the purpose of providing fire services including

Bradford Island, Jersey Island, Franks Tract, Medford Island, Mildred Island, Venice Island, and Woodward Island.

(Status: Vetoed by Governor, September 28, 1999)

SB 620 (Sher) - Forest resources: timber harvests: steep slopes. This bill would have required the State Board of Forestry to complete an evaluation, by July 1, 2000, of the adequacy of existing regulations for the purpose of determining how to address the potential link between mass wasting, landslides, and timber operations on steep slopes. It would also have required the Board to adopt new regulations if, based on the evaluation, the Board finds that certain timber operations cause significant environmental effects that are not adequately addressed by existing regulations.

(Status: Held in the Assembly Appropriations Committee)

SB 621 (Sher) - Forest resources: timber harvesting plans. This bill authorizes actions for civil penalties for violations of the Forest Practices Act, brought by the motion of the Attorney General, or upon the request of the State Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CDF). This bill also specifies that CDF may impose administrative penalties for violations of the Forest Practices Act.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 582, Statutes of 1999)

SB 1832 (Chesbro) - Forest Legacy Program. This bill creates the California Forest Legacy Program Act of 2000, allowing the Department of Forestry and Fire Protection to acquire conservation easements by entering into a contract with the Wildlife Conservation Board that will administer the purchase of conservation easements on forestland. The Forest Legacy Program is a conservation easement program designed mainly to assist small landowners to maintain their lands in the face of development pressures while at the same time continuing to manage their lands for timber. In California, nearly half of the forested land is in private ownership. The program will be funded from the parks bond, and the program can receive money from a variety of other sources. Parcels would be eligible if they meet certain conservation requirements and if monitoring, management of the land, and a suitable nonprofit partner is available to work with the landowner.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 790, Statutes of 2000)

SB 1916 (Leslie) - State Board of Forestry and Fire Protection (CDF): El Dorado Hills. This bill would have required CDF, after the incorporation of the city of El Dorado Hills, to continue to provide fire suppression on state responsibility area lands in El Dorado Hills. This provision would last for two years. In the third and subsequent years, the costs would be assumed completely by the city. These provisions of the bill were amendments the author offered after an earlier version of the bill was defeated in Committee. The previous version of the bill did not have any time limits in it and was opposed on the basis of cost to CDF as well as being contrary to existing state law which as a matter of policy requires new cities to pay for the costs of wild land fire suppression within their borders. Although the latest version of the bill passed in Assembly Natural Resources Committee, it was held on suspense in Assembly Appropriations Committee.

(Status: Failed passage in Assembly Appropriations Committee)

SB 1964 (Chesbro) - Timber harvest plans. This bill would have extended from 15 to 30 days the time period for public comment on timber harvest plans (THPs). The reasons for the bill deal with the increasing complexity of THPs, the fact that THPs now deal with a variety of issues (watershed protection, water quality, protection of endangered species, etc.), and that a modest increase in the time afforded the public to consider these issues is overdue. Such an increase was recommended by the Little Hoover Commission as early as 1994. Also, since the THP process is supposed to be a functional equivalent to the process of CEQA, the 30 day time limit would conform to CEQA.

(Status: Vetoed by Governor, September 30, 2000)

~ MINING AND GEOLOGY ~

AB 219 (Gallegos) - Surface mining and reclamation. This bill would have made numerous changes to the Surface Mining and Reclamation Act, including a requirement that lead agencies notify and provide copies of an application to conduct surface mining operations to the State Water Resources Control Board and the appropriate regional water quality control board. The State Mining and Geology Board is also required to create a state mining reclamation policy which provides that the land use for which mined land is to be reclaimed must be established in the lead agency's specific and general plans.

(Status: Held in the Assembly Natural Resources Committee)

AB 297 (Thomson) - Surface mining: Cache Creek Resource Management Plan. This bill allows the Cache Creek Resource Management Plan to serve as a functional equivalent of a reclamation plan required by the Surface Mining and Reclamation Act (SMARA) through January 1, 2003. In addition, the bill requires the State Department of Conservation to convene a multiagency task force, to review the requirements of SMARA and recommend any revisions to incorporate a process for the use of watershed wide resource management plans in lieu of reclamation plans.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 869, Statutes of 1999)

AB 1598 (Battin) - Geothermal resources: regulation. This bill requires the California Maritime Infrastructure Authority, subject to funds being appropriated in the annual Budget Act for this purpose, to allocate funds for the 1999-2000 fiscal year to local port and harbor agencies to meet local matching share requirements for federal navigation projects pursuant to the Federal Water Resources Development Act.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 223, Statutes of 1999)

AB 2254 (Gallegos) - State Mining and Geology Board. This bill mandates that if a member of the State Mining and Geology Board (Board) determines that he or she has a conflict of interest on a particular matter before the Board, he or she must provide the Board with a written explanation of the conflict. In addition, the bill adds the requirement that not more than one-third of all of the members of the Board may at any time be currently employed by, or receive compensation from, entities that own or operate mines.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 514, Statutes of 2000)

AB 2581 (Maldonado) - Oil and gas conservation. This bill makes various changes to the oil and gas law in order to ensure compliance from rogue oil and gas well operators. In particular, the bill increases enforcement abilities of the Department of Conservation to shut down oil wells when they are no longer in compliance with state laws.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 737, Statutes of 2000)

SB 244 (Solis) – Surface mining and geology. This bill requires the City of Irwindale, before approving any new mining reclamation plans or amendments to existing mining reclamation plans, to send copies of the reclamation plans to the Regional Water Quality Control Board and any watermaster for review and comment within 30 days. The agencies will review the plan

with regard to existing groundwater quality and the potential impacts to water quality that may result from the mining operations and will recommend methods to protect groundwater quality and prevent further degradation to the groundwater.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 515, Statutes of 2000)

SB 666 (Sher) - Surface Mining. This bill clarifies the purpose and funding of the State Abandoned Mine Reclamation and Mineral Fund.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 713, Statutes of 2000)

~ MISCELLANEOUS ~

AB 647 (Aroner) - Bay Conservation and Development Commission region wetlands.

As passed by this committee, this bill authorized the San Francisco Bay Conservation and Development Commission (BCDC) to deny a permit seeking to place fill, to extract materials, or to substantially change particular uses within the shoreline of the San Francisco Bay, on the grounds that the project causes significant impacts to wildlife or wildlife habitat, or exposes persons to significant seismic safety risks. The bill also provided authority for any person to bring an action in civil court for violation of a permit issued by BCDC affecting the San Francisco Bay or Suisun Marsh. This bill was subsequently amended in its entirety to address the Upper Mokelumne River Watershed Authority. The substance of the BCDC bill was placed into AB 954 (Aroner).

(Status: Held in Senate Energy, Utilities and Commerce Committee)

AB 833 (Battin) - California Environmental Protection Agency. This bill would have created the California Environmental Protection Agency Sunset Review and Regulatory Accountability Act of 1999 to sunset the statutory authority for Cal-EPA on June 30, 2001 and would have created a committee to recommend whether the agency should be reauthorized.

(Status: Failed passage in Assembly Natural Resources Committee)

AB 954 (Aroner) - Forestry: pine pitch canker. In the form considered in committee, the bill would have appropriated money to help deal with pine pitch canker, a disease of various pine species along the central and northern coasts. However, the bill was gutted and amended to become a bill adding two reasons that the San Francisco Bay Conservation and Development Commission could deny a development permit within the shoreline band of its jurisdiction. The bill allows the Commission to deny a permit in the shoreline band if the proposed activity would cause significant impacts to wildlife or wildlife habitat which is not adequately mitigated. The bill also provides that when considering whether a project provides maximum feasible public access in areas of sensitive habitat, the commission shall, in consultation with the Department of Fish and Game, and using the best available scientific evidence, determine whether the access is compatible with wildlife protection in the bay.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 498, Statutes of 2000)

AB 1505 (Ducheny) - Farmworker housing. This bill requires the housing element within a local government's general plan to include identification of adequate sites with public services and facilities for agricultural employee housing. If the housing element's inventory of sites in a general plan does not identify adequate sites for farmworker housing, this bill must permit farmworker housing or multifamily residential uses as a "use by right." In addition, this bill allows owners of property under Williamson Act contract to subdivide up to 5 acres of land to be used for farmworker housing under certain specified conditions.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 967, Statutes of 1999)

AB 2273 (Aroner) - City of Richmond tidelands. This bill authorizes the State Lands Commission to convey specific tidelands to the City of Richmond for purposes of establishing the Richmond Harbor Development Area. The bill further authorizes the City to terminate the public trust over portions of granted tidelands and would extend to 55 years the term of leases

that the City is authorized to enter for wharves, docks, piers, and other aids or improvements to commerce or navigation.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 527, Statutes of 2000)

AB 2471 (Wayne) - State Environmental Goals and Policy Report. This bill would have required the Office of Planning and Research (OPR) in the Governor's Office to provide additional and updated environmental information in its quadrennial State Environmental Goals and Policy report. The new report would have included information on air quality, water quality, roads and highways, and Williamson Act-contracted land.

(Status: Vetoed by Governor, September 22, 2000)

SB 117 (Murray) - Transportation facilities: Environmental Enhancement and Mitigation Program Fund. This bill deletes the 10-year limitation on the Environmental Enhancement and Mitigation Program Fund and instead states the Legislature's intent that the program continue indefinitely with an annual appropriation of \$10,000,000. This bill also requires the Department of Transportation to submit a list of funded projects to the Legislature.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 739, Statutes of 1999)

SB 698 (Peace) - Conveyance of property by State to San Diego Unified Port District. This bill authorizes the State Lands Commission to carry out an exchange of public trust lands within the Naval Training Center, San Diego, with the City of San Diego and the San Diego Unified Port District.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 714, Statutes of 2000)

SB 750 (Johnston) - Delta Protection Act. This bill redefines "local government" in the Delta Protection Act to include the city of Oakley, and any other cities that may be incorporated in the future in the primary zone, for Delta Protection Commission planning purposes.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 422, Statutes of 1999)

SB 1476 (Peace) - San Diego Unified Port District. This bill adds two parcels of land within the City of Chula Vista to the legislative grant of sovereign lands managed by the San Diego Unified Port District. These parcels were received by the Commission in a recent land exchange with the BF Goodrich Company.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 302, Statutes of 2000)

SB 1516 (Hayden) - International trade: environment. This bill would have required the Secretary for Environmental Protection and the Secretary of the State Resources Agency to review and assess existing and proposed international trade agreements that may have led to challenges with California laws and regulations concerning the environment and to make the assessments available to the Legislature and public on a regular basis.

(Status: Vetoed by Governor, September 23, 2000)

SB 2049 (Perata) - Naval Air Station Alameda Public Trust Exchange Act. This bill authorizes the State Lands Commission to carry out an exchange of public lands with the Naval Air Station Alameda in order to consolidate public trust lands in an area that will afford maximum protection of those lands by the Commission.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 734, Statutes of 2000)

SB 2181 (Perata) - State Lands Commission enforcement powers. This bill would have authorized the State Lands Commission to issue cease and desist orders against any activity determined to do harm to public health or safety or the environment. The bill would also have placed a representative of the Commission on the Harbor Safety Committee for various large harbors, including Los Angeles, Long Beach and San Diego.

(Status: Failed passage on Assembly floor)

~ NATURAL COMMUNITY CONSERVATION PLANNING (NCCP) ~

AB 756 (Keeley) - Natural Community Conservation Planning: advisory committee. As passed by this committee, the bill required the Department of Fish and Game to appoint appropriate persons with scientific credentials to natural community conservation plan (NCCP) advisory committees and to coordinate with appropriate agencies when developing NCCPs. This language was subsequently deleted and the bill was turned into a budget trailer bill.
(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 811, Statutes of 1999)

AB 981 (Ducheny) - Natural Community Conservation Plans: endangered species. This bill would have provided that within the Natural Community Conservation Planning Act, the phrase "candidate species" would have the same meaning as defined under the California Endangered Species Act. The bill would have authorized the Department of Fish and Game, upon appropriation by the Legislature, to expend funds for the acquisition of land necessary to implement a natural community conservation plan or any other multispecies habitat conservation plan if specified conditions are met.
(Status: Held in Assembly Water, Parks and Wildlife Committee)

AB 2310 (Ducheny) - Resources planning and management. As passed by this committee, this bill required the Secretary of the Resources Agency (Secretary), in consultation with the Department of Fish and Game (DFG) and the Coastal Commission, to develop nonregulatory guidelines to evaluate and achieve a resolution of differences between the Commission and DFG with respect to wildlife and fishery management and habitat strategies undertaken or proposed as part of a Natural Community Conservation Plan (NCCP).
(Status: Held in Assembly Appropriations Committee)

~ OIL SPILL PREVENTION ~

AB 503 (Pescetti) - Oil spill contingency plans: grants. This bill allows Delta jurisdictions along the channels used by commercial shipping into the ports of Stockton and Sacramento to apply for grants pursuant to the Lempert-Keene-Seastrand Oil Spill Prevention and Response Act (OSPRA) to create, revise or update their oil spill contingency plan.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 613, Statutes of 1999)

AB 680 (Lempert) - Oil spill prevention in nonmarine waters. This bill would have expanded a modified version of the penalty provisions of the Lempert-Keene-Seastrand Oil Spill Prevention and Response Act (OSPRA) to cover certain oil spills in inland waters, including adding a definition of "waters of the state" to OSPRA, to include any surface water within the boundaries of the state, and to modify OSPRA's existing penalty scheme as it applies to inland spills. The bill also would have applied civil, criminal, and administrative penalties under OSPRA for the discharge or spill of 42 gallons or more of oil into inland surface waters (waters of the state other than marine waters) under certain circumstances.

(Status: Vetoed by Governor, September 28, 2000)

AB 837 (Maldonado) - Oil spill prevention. This bill would have required that all oil extracted under the sea must be transported by pipeline to onshore processing and refining facilities and that the best available technology must be used in these pipelines. The bill would have further required a determination by the Division of Oil and Gas of the Department of Conservation that the siting of platforms or islands will not be a hazard to vessel traffic.

(Status: Held in the Assembly Natural Resources Committee)

AJR 66 (House) - Offshore oil drilling leases and production. This resolution would have memorialized the federal government to remove the moratorium on federal offshore oil drilling leases and restrictions curtailing other exploration and production, thereby permitting domestic production to increase and reducing America's reliance on foreign production.

(Status: Held in the Assembly Natural Resources Committee)

HR 20 (Jackson) - Offshore development. This resolution memorializes the federal government to enact legislation imposing a permanent ban on offshore drilling off the coast of California.

(Status: Adopted by Assembly on April 22, 1999)

SB 221 (Alpert) - Oil spill prevention. As passed by this committee, this bill authorized the administrator for oil spill response within the Department of Fish and Game to establish a lower standard of financial responsibility for nontank vessels with a carrying capacity of 6,500 barrels of oil or less. The bill further prohibited the administrator from setting a standard that is less than the expected cleanup costs and damages from an oil spill in marine waters. Senate amendments increased to 7,500 barrels the capacity eligible for lower financial responsibility standards.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 721, Statutes of 2000)

SB 387 (Alpert) - Oil spill prevention. This bill allows the Administrator for Oil Spill Response to establish, until January 1, 2001, a lower standard of financial responsibility for nontank barges and marine construction vessels that is not less than the expected costs from a reasonably worst-case oil spill into marine waters.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 687, Statutes of 1999)

SJR 2 (Alpert) - Relative to offshore oil leases. This measure memorializes President Clinton to extend the moratorium on federal offshore leases to certain leases awarded prior to the moratorium or to terminate those leases.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Resolution Chapter 86, Statutes of 1999)

~ OPEN SPACE ~

AB 18 (Villaraigosa) - Park bonds. This bill enacts the Villaraigosa-Keeley Safe Neighborhood, Parks, Clean Water, and Coastal Protection Bond Act of 2000 which was adopted by the voters in March, 2000 (Proposition 12). It authorizes the sale of \$2.1 billion in general obligation bonds to conserve river parkways, acquire and restore wildlife habitat and open-space, acquire, improve and repair state and local parks, particularly in urban areas, and preserve water quality by protecting watershed lands and rivers.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 461, Statutes of 1999)

AB 841 (Briggs) - Land and Water Conservation: pilot project. This bill would have enacted the California Land and Water Conservation Pilot Project of 1999, authorized an income and corporation tax credit based on the value of property contributed to the California Land and Water Conservation Pilot Project of 1999 and provided an exemption from capital gains on the property sold. The bill was limited to the San Joaquin River Parkway.

(Status: Held in Assembly Appropriations Committee)

AB 1927 (Kuehl) - Rim of the Valley Trail. This bill renames the "Rim of the Valley Trail" the "Marge Feinberg Rim of the Valley Trail" after the person who originally envisioned creation of the trail.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 378, Statutes of 2000)

AB 2286 (Davis) - Wetlands. This bill updates the existing Keene-Nejedly California Wetlands Preservation Act for wetland inventory in order to prepare a study that identifies restoration and enhancement opportunities, a means of protecting and enhancing existing wetlands in public ownership and of managing those wetlands in order to maximize their value as recreational resources and wildlife habitat, wetlands of particular significance to the state that are not in public ownership but have a willing seller, and recreational benefits that can be provided on wetlands in public ownership.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 964, Statutes of 2000)

SB 680 (O'Connell) - Land and water conservation. This bill would have provided an income tax credit, subject to specified future Budget Act appropriations, for donations of property to state or local governments or nonprofit organizations for conservation of wildlife habitat, open space and agricultural land.

(Status: Held in Assembly Appropriations Committee)

SB 1147 (Leslie) - State lands: Lake Tahoe Environmental Improvement Program Account. As passed by this committee, this bill created the "Lake Tahoe Environmental Improvement Program Account" in the General Fund and required that all moneys paid to the State Lands Commission by marina owners at Lake Tahoe be deposited into the Account to be made available for allocation to the Tahoe Conservancy for environmental improvement projects. The bill was subsequently amended to enact "cleanup" provisions to AB 18 (Villaraigosa and Keeley, Chapter 461, Statutes of 1999) the Safe Neighborhood Parks, Clean Water, Clean Air, and Coastal Protection Bond Act.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 638, Statutes of 1999)

SB 1512 (Hayden) - Parks, open space, and Los Angeles River. The bill was amended in the Assembly to request the University of California, the California State Library, and the State Department of Parks and Recreation to conduct a conference on the history and condition of parks, open space, recreation areas, and bikeways in Los Angeles. The bill would have also required the State Department of Parks and Recreation to coordinate a program for Taylor Yards.

(Status: Vetoed by Governor, September 25, 2000)

~ SOLID WASTE ~

AB 75 (Strom-Martin) - State agency recycling and waste diversion. This bill requires each state agency to develop an integrated waste management program before January 1, 2001. The bill further requires all state agencies and large state facilities (including prisons and state and community colleges) to divert 25% of their solid waste from landfills by January 1, 2002, and 50% by January 1, 2004.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 764, Statutes of 1999)

AB 514 (Thomson) - Solid waste: biomass conversion. This bill specifies that the definition of biomass conversion includes the combustion of non-recyclable pulp or paper materials, if the materials are technically, feasibly or legally incapable of being recycled and have not been previously collected or separated for the purpose of recycling, unless they have been contaminated and, therefore, are unable to be recycled.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 439, Statutes of 1999)

AB 603 (Cardoza) - Waste tires: transportation and remediation. This bill would have provided expanded methods for cleanup and abatement of illegal waste tire piles and limits the size of piles otherwise exempt from waste tire facility permits.

(Status: Held in Assembly Environmental Quality Committee)

AB 992 (Wayne) - Solid waste disposal sites: cleanup. This bill removes restrictions on annual programmatic and administrative expenditures for the Solid Waste Disposal and Codisposal Cleanup Program.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 496, Statutes of 1999)

AB 998 (Wayne) - Used oil fee exemption. As heard in this committee, this bill maintained an exemption from a fee paid to the Integrated Waste Management Board by oil manufacturers producing or transferring fewer than 500 gallons of lubricating oil into the state. The bill was subsequently amended in its entirety to address issues relating to a California Museum of Latino History, authored by Assemblymember Gallegos.

(Status: Vetoed by Governor, September 26, 2000)

AB 1055 (Villaraigosa) - Playground equipment and facilities. This bill creates a local grant program within the California Integrated Waste Management Board to fund projects to improve playground equipment safety and increase recycling at playgrounds. The bill also extends the regulatory deadline for private entities to upgrade playground facilities from January 1, 2000 to January 1, 2003 and exempts certain foster care and child care providers from the new regulations. The bill also creates the Playground Safety and Recycling Account.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 712, Statutes of 1999)

AB 1186 (Shelley) - Beverage containers: redemption payments. This bill would have extended the time for redemption payment and reporting on beverage container sales by beer and malt beverage distributors. The bill would have also extended the time in which the Department of Conservation is required to report on the sale of beverage containers in the state.

(Status: Held in Senate Natural Resources and Wildlife Committee)

AB 1196 (Thompson) - Solid waste: management plans: facilities permits. This bill would have established criteria to determine when new solid waste facilities or expansions of existing solid waste facilities could occur when proposed in proximity to Native American sacred sites. The bill would also have amended the California Environmental Quality Act to provide that impacts on the free expression or exercise of Native American religion would be minimized when considering new and expanded solid waste sites or transformation facilities.

(Status: Held in Senate Environmental Quality Committee)

AB 1244 (Olberg) - Beverage containers. As considered by this committee, this bill required the Integrated Waste Management Board, in consultation with the Department of Conservation, not later than December 1, 2000, to submit a report to the Legislature identifying any duplication or overlap between programs administered and funded by the two agencies pertaining to public information and education, local government review and assistance, and recycled materials market development. The bill was amended in its entirety in the Senate to make various changes to the California Beverage Container Recycling and Litter Reduction Act (Chapter 1290, Statutes of 1986), including adjusting processing payments and making allocations to various curbside recycling and litter cleanup activities.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 817, Statutes of 1999)

AB 1364 (Migden) - Recycling Market Development Loan Program. This bill reorganizes and consolidates the statutory provisions that establish the Recycling Market Development Loan Program. The bill also clarifies that loans that leverage the loan program's funds can be made both inside and outside of defined recycling market development zones.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 467, Statutes of 1999)

AB 1481 (Granlund) - Solid waste landfills: alternative daily cover: diversion. This was originally a bill addressing solid waste reduction issues which was subsequently amended to become a bill addressing parking meters. It was re-referred to the Committee on Local Government, which had the appropriate jurisdiction for this issue.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 511, Statutes of 2000)

AB 1497 (Floyd) - Recyclable products. This bill prohibits any state agency from purchasing a product that cannot be recycled or remanufactured because of conditions or incentives imposed by the manufacturer, wholesaler, or retailer.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 910, Statutes of 1999)

AB 1939 (Vincent) - Solid waste diversion requirements: nonburn transformation. This bill would have made numerous changes in the municipal solid waste diversion requirements under the California Integrated Waste Management Act including defining non-burn transformation as pyrolysis and revising the conditions under which the CIWMB may issue a compliance order for failure to implement their solid waste diversion programs.

(Status: Held in Assembly Natural Resources Committee)

AB 2004 (Havice) - Solid waste: diversion. This bill would have redefined how a city that entered into an agreement with another jurisdiction before 1989 may calculate ash residue

diversion credit for purposes of compliance with the California Integrated Waste Management Act.

(Status: Held in Assembly Appropriations)

AB 2083 (Briggs) - Beverage containers: fruit juice. This bill would have exempted containers with one hundred percent fruit juice used in public and private school meals, health facilities, and residential care facilities from the Beverage Container Recycling and Litter Reduction Act.

(Status: Held in Assembly Natural Resources Committee)

AB 2553 (Hertzberg) - Recycling: education grants. This bill would have required the State Department of Education in consultation with the Integrated Waste Management Board (IWMB) and the Department of Conservation, to establish a program to award grants and provide incentives to school districts and county offices of education to implement source reduction and recycling programs. The bill would have also appropriated \$3 million from the General Fund, without regard to fiscal year, on a one-time basis.

(Status: Vetoed by Governor, September 25, 2000)

AB 2752 (Cardoza) - Solid waste facility permits and sacred sites. As passed by this committee, this bill would have required that upon petition by the public and approval by the Secretary, scientific peer review for the California Environmental Protection Agency (CalEPA), or its boards and departments, shall include the consideration of written scientific comments submitted by members of the public. The bill was subsequently amended to prohibit the California Integrated Waste Management Board from concurring in a permit for a proposed solid waste landfill for which a petition has been received by the board from an Indian Tribe.

(Status: Vetoed by Governor, September 25, 2000)

HR 51 (Strom-Martin) - Abandoned mine lands. This resolution provides the support of the State Assembly for the federal government to provide additional funds for projects, including Army Corp projects throughout California for mine restoration, inventory and remediation.

(Status: Adopted by the Assembly on May 4, 2000)

SB 1 (Sher) - Beverage containers. This bill extended by one year, from January 1, 1999 to January 1, 2000, provisions of the California Beverage Container Recycling and Reduction Act (commonly referred to as the "bottle bill" law) relating to processing fees paid by beverage manufacturers and the payment of handling fees to convenience zone recyclers and allocation to curbside programs.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 1, Statutes of 1999)

SB 46 (Sher) - Solid waste management. This bill would have made numerous technical and clarifying changes to the California Integrated Waste Management Act, while enabling the California Integrated Waste Management Board to revise plan content requirements to reduce duplication. This bill would have also required one of the current gubernatorial California Integrated Waste Management Board appointees to have served as an elected mayor or as a member of a city council or a board of supervisors.

(Status: Vetoed by Governor, October 10, 1999)

SB 332 (Sher) - Beverage containers. This bill expands the California Beverage Container Recycling and Litter Reduction Act to cover a greater variety of glass and plastic beverage containers. The bill increases the amount of redemption payment made by beverage distributors from 2 cents to 2 ½ cents. The bill also makes a number of technical changes to processing fees that are paid by beverage manufacturers to the state and revises the methods by which payments are made to reduce these fees. The bill increases the amounts paid for such services as curbside pickup, conservation corps programs, and convenience zone recycling centers.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 815, Statutes of 1999)

SB 515 (Chesbro) - Waste management. This bill makes changes to solid waste laws governing rural cities and counties in order to assist with meeting solid waste diversion requirements. It allows, rather than requires, a city's or county's non-disposal facility element to be appended to its source reduction and recycling element, for inclusion in a countywide integrated waste management plan, thereby reducing the time required to receive a non-disposal facility permit.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 600, Statutes of 1999)

SB 676 (Sher) - State purchasing of recycled paper products. As passed by this committee, this bill required that 50% of paper products purchased by state agencies be recycled paper products. The bill was subsequently amended in its entirety to address issues relevant to CalEPA.

(Status: Held in Assembly Appropriations Committee)

SB 827 (Sher) - Recycled materials. This bill clarifies that the State Procurement Officer shall make contracts available for items that utilize recycled materials in pavement material unless the Director of the State Department of Transportation determines that uses of the recycled materials is not cost effective. The bill also stipulates that "durability" and "maintenance cost" shall be factors in determining the cost effectiveness of using recycled materials in road pavement.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 816, Statutes of 1999)

SB 876 (Escutia) - Waste tires. This bill overhauls the current waste tire program in California. Along with numerous technical changes to the program, the bill increases the fee paid for tire disposal from 25 cents to \$1 and requires that fee to be paid to the retailer, who then remits the fee to the state. The bill also modifies the current waste tire manifest system and further imposes civil and administrative penalties for violations of waste and used tire facility and hauler permits.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 838, Statutes of 2000)

SB 1055 (Bowen) – Solid waste: tires. This bill authorizes the California Integrated Waste Management Board to enter onto property on which waste tires are illegally stored, for purposes of cleanup or abatement.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 292, Statutes of 1999)

SB 1110 (Chesbro) - Rigid plastic packaging. This bill would have required every rigid plastic container, except those specifically exempted, to meet at least one of five criteria,

including being made from 25% postconsumer material, or having a recycling rate of at least 25%. The bill also contained reporting requirements and exemption criteria.

(Status: Held in the Assembly Consumer Protection, Governmental Efficiency & Economic Development Committee)

SB 1133 (Bowen) - Beverage container programs. This bill would have required the California Integrated Waste Management Board in consultation with the Department of Conservation to prepare a report on overlapping responsibilities in specified areas.

(Status: Held in Conference Committee)

SB 1906 (Sher) - Beverage Container Recycling and Litter Reduction Act. This bill provides for several changes to clarify portions of the program and update the current Bottle Bill program following last year's major legislation to overhaul the Bottle Bill program. The major changes include adding back in tomato and other vegetable juices into the Bottle Bill program and clarifying that non-carbonated drinks may use a "CA 2.5" label on their packaging.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 731, Statutes of 2000)

SB 2202 (Committee on Environmental Quality) - Solid waste diversion requirements.

This bill makes several changes to allow stronger communication and flexibility between the local government and the California Integrated Waste Management Board (CIWMB) when the local government is in jeopardy of falling under a compliance order for not meeting their solid waste requirements. The bill requires that the CIWMB issue a notice of intent to issue a compliance order at least 90 days prior to issuing the order to clarify for the local government why the compliance order will be issued. In addition, the bill requires that a meeting be set up for the local government to gather any new information the board may have, to clarify any issues or make any changes that may assist in eliminating the need for the compliance order.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 740, Statutes of 2000)

~ WATER QUALITY ~

AB 511 (Wayne) - Nonpoint source pollution. As heard by this committee, this bill would have provided explicit reference in the California Coastal Act to nonpoint source pollution, requiring that new development within the coastal zone comply with specific nonpoint source pollution management measures. The bill would also have required that Local Coastal Programs amended or under review by the California Coastal Commission incorporate policies that prevent and reduce the impacts of nonpoint source pollution. The bill would have further required the Commission to prepare and implement a polluted runoff plan that ensures coordination among federal, state and local agencies. This bill was subsequently amended in its entirety to become a bill on taxation authored by Assembly Member Alquist.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 107, Statutes of 2000)

AB 564 (Machado) - The Safe, Clean, Reliable Water Supply and Flood Protection Act. This bill would have placed before the voters a general obligation bond measure for the March 2000 ballot to finance a variety of projects and programs for safe drinking water, clean water, water conservation, and watershed restoration and education, flood protection and more.

Although AB 564 was not passed by the Senate, the contents of the bill were written into AB 1584 (Machado), Chapter 725, Statutes of 1999.

(Status: Held in the Senate Agriculture and Water Committee)

AB 604 (Jackson) - Nonpoint source pollution. This bill would have required the State Water Resources Control Board, in consultation with the California Coastal Commission and the State Department of Health Services, to establish measurable performance goals for the implementation of specific management measures in order to carry out the state's nonpoint source pollution program in accordance with federal law.

(Status: Vetoed by Governor, September 28, 1999)

AB 1278 (Knox) - Water quality: total maximum daily loads. This bill would have required the State Water Resources Control Board, in coordination with the Regional Water Quality Control Boards to develop a statewide list of bodies of water that do not meet applicable water quality standards and to prepare total maximum daily loads (TMDLs) that ensure that water quality standards are met.

(Status: Held on the Assembly Floor)

AB 1835 (Baugh) - Storm water discharges. This bill would have required the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) to provide grants to public local agencies to pay for costs associated with diverting dry weather flows from storm water discharges, that would otherwise be discharged to a public beach, to sewage treatment facilities.

(Status: Vetoed by Governor, September 25, 2000)

AB 1946 (Wayne) - Public beaches: water quality reporting. This bill requires local health officers to submit a monthly survey to the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) detailing information on beach postings and closures due to failure to meet bacteriological standards. The bill requires the SWRCB to establish a specific format for the surveys, to make the information available to the public, and to publish an annual statewide report.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 152, Statutes of 2000)

SB 227 (Alpert) - Water quality: nonpoint source pollution. This bill requires the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) to develop a program to implement a nonpoint source pollution management plan. The program must be created and implemented by February 1, 2001, and must include the creation of guidelines by the SWRCB for enforcement of the program.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 560, Statutes of 1999)

SB 530 (Costa) - Safe Drinking Water, Clean Water, Watershed Protection, and Flood Protection Act. This bill would have been a general obligation bond measure for the March 2000 ballot to finance a variety of projects and programs for safe drinking water, clean water, water conservation, and watershed restoration and education, flood protection and more. Although SB 530 was not passed by the Assembly, the contents of the bill were transferred into AB 1584 (Machado), Chapter 725, Statutes of 1999.

(Status: Held in Assembly Water Parks and Wildlife Committee)

~ WATERSHED PROTECTION ~

AB 1948 (Dickerson) - Watersheds. This bill requires the Secretary of the Resources Agency to compile a report detailing funding information on watershed projects in California since 1990. This bill will catalog grants that have been given out since 1990, assess the amount of grant funding, the type of grant, and the success level of the grant. In addition, this bill requires the listing of available grant programs, and how groups can access the funding.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 736, Statutes of 2000)

AB 2117 (Wayne) - Watershed protection. This bill enacts the California Stream and Watershed Protection Project within the State Resources Agency to provide a pilot program of three grant projects for groups dedicated to efforts to restore, protect, and utilize California's rivers and streams for habitat, recreation and water supply.

(Status: Chaptered by the Secretary of State, Chapter 735, Statutes of 2000)

SB 496 (Sher) - Wild and scenic rivers: South Yuba River. This bill designates thirty-nine miles of the South Yuba River from Lang Crossing to its confluence with Kentucky Creek as a state Wild and Scenic River.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 1016, Statutes of 1999)

SB 754 (Hayden) - Los Angeles River. This bill would have created a 13-member Los Angeles River Conservation and Restoration Commission. The commission would have been required by January 1, 2001, to prepare a scope of work for the development of a plan for the conservation and restoration of the Los Angeles River watershed. The commission would have been authorized to review and offer advice regarding the extent to which state-funded projects meet the multiple objectives for the river set forth in the bill.

(Status: Vetoed by Governor, October 10, 1999)

SB 1311 (Chesbro) - Salmon and steelhead trout habitat. This bill provides a one-year authorization and transfers \$9 million in federal funds from the federal Pacific Coastal Salmon Recovery Account (PCSRA) to be appropriated to the Secretary of the Resources Agency (which will then be transferred into the California Coastal Salmon Recovery Fund) for the protection and recovery of salmon and steelhead trout in California. The money will be used for grant programs throughout the state.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 38, Statutes of 2000)

SB 1540 (Sher) - California River Restoration Act of 2000. This bill would have required the Secretary of the Resources Agency to complete an inventory of existing dams and water diversions within the state. The bill would also have required the Secretary to recommend to the Legislature measures that should be taken to free spawning habitat for salmonids, including dam removal or modification.

(Status: Held in Assembly Appropriations Committee)

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