

Overview of Proposition 1

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Proposition 1

- ▶ Sections 1-7
 - ▶ Reallocates Statewide Bond Costs from prior bonds to Prop 1
 - ▶ No change in amount of funding available for Prop 84 IRWM grants
 - ▶ Redirects unused funds from prior bonds to Prop 1
 - ▶ Repealed 2009 Water Bond
- ▶ Section 8
 - ▶ “the good stuff”
 - ▶ Chapter 12 Fiscal Provision
- ▶ Sections 9-13
 - ▶ Various legislative “clean up” items

Chapter 5 Safe Drinking Water

- ▶ \$520M Clean & Safe Drinking Water
 - ▶ \$260M Small community wastewater
 - ▶ FY15-16 Proposed Budget \$66.3M
 - ▶ \$260M Disadvantaged Community Drinking Water
 - ▶ FY15-16 Proposed Budget \$69.2M
- ▶ Administered by State Water Resources Control Board

Chapter 6 Watershed Protection and Restoration

- ▶ \$1,495M Watershed Restoration & Protection
 - ▶ \$515M Watershed restoration in designated areas
 - ▶ \$475M State environmental restoration commitments
 - ▶ \$305M Statewide watershed restoration
 - ▶ \$200M Projects to increase water flowing in rivers and streams
- ▶ Total in FY 15-16 Proposed Budget = \$178M
- ▶ Administered by:
 - ▶ Natural Resources Agency, various conservancies, Wildlife Conservation Board, and Department of Fish and Wildlife

Chapter 7 Regional Water Reliability

- ▶ \$810M Regional Water Security
 - ▶ \$510M Integrated Regional Water Management
 - ▶ FY15-16 Proposed Budget = \$32.8M
 - ▶ Administered by DWR
 - ▶ \$100M Water conservation & water use efficiency
 - ▶ FY 15-16 Proposed Budget = \$23.2M
 - ▶ Administered by DWR
 - ▶ \$200M Multi-benefit stormwater management
 - ▶ FY 15-16 Proposed Budget = \$0.6M
 - ▶ Administered by SWRCB

Chapter 8 Water Storage Investment Program

- ▶ \$2,700M Statewide System Operation
 - ▶ Public benefits associated with water storage
 - ▶ Administered by the California Water Commission
 - ▶ FY 15-16 Proposed Budget \$3.3M
 - ▶ Continuously appropriated funds
 - ▶ Developing regulations
 - ▶ Must be in place by December 31, 2016
 - ▶ Associated guidelines and solicitation processes also being developed

Chapter 9 Water Recycling

- ▶ \$725M Water Recycling
 - ▶ Water recycling, desalination, & advanced treatment technology
 - ▶ FY 15-16 Proposed Budget
 - ▶ Desalination \$5.5M
 - ▶ Administered by DWR
 - ▶ Recycling and Treatment Technology \$131.7M
 - ▶ Administered by SWRCB

Chapter 10 Groundwater Sustainability

- ▶ \$900M Groundwater Sustainability
 - ▶ \$800M Prevention & cleanup of groundwater pollution
 - ▶ FY 15-16 Proposed Budget = \$0.6M
 - ▶ Administered by SWRCB
 - ▶ \$100M Local plans & projects to manage groundwater (Grants)
 - ▶ FY 15-16 Proposed Budget = \$21.3M
 - ▶ Administered by DWR

Chapter 11 Flood Management

- ▶ \$395M Flood Management
 - ▶ \$295M Reduce risk of levee failure & flooding in the Delta
 - ▶ \$100M Statewide flood management
- ▶ Administered by DWR and the Central Valley Flood Protection Board
- ▶ No funds requested in FY 15-16

Guidelines Requirements

- ▶ Written guidelines
 - ▶ 30 day posting
 - ▶ 3 public meetings
 - ▶ Northern, Southern, and Central Valley
- ▶ Competitive programs need to include:
 - ▶ Well defined solicitation period
 - ▶ Clear scoring criteria and evaluation process
 - ▶ Professional review team(s)
- ▶ Natural Resources Agency consistency review

Eligible Applicants

- ▶ Public Agencies
- ▶ Nonprofit Organizations
 - ▶ 501.(c)(3) qualified to do business in California
- ▶ Federally recognized Indian Tribes
- ▶ State Indian Tribes listed on NAHC consultation list
- ▶ Public Utilities
- ▶ Mutual Water Companies

Selected Definitions

- ▶ Disadvantaged Community = 80% MHI
- ▶ Severely Disadvantaged Community = 60% MHI
- ▶ Economically Distressed Area
 - ▶ Municipality – Population $\leq 20,000$
 - ▶ Rural County
 - ▶ Reasonable isolated/divisible segment of large municipality with:
 - ▶ Population $\leq 20,000$ and MHI $< 85\%$ MHI
 - ▶ And one or more of the following as determined by DWR:
 - ▶ Financial hardship
 - ▶ Unemployment rate at least 2% higher than State average
 - ▶ Low population density

Selected Other Items

- ▶ Special consideration for new or innovative practices
- ▶ Signage
- ▶ Use the best available science to inform decisions
- ▶ Cannot use eminent domain for acquisitions
- ▶ Encourage grantees to use California Conservation Corps

Prop 1 IRWM
Grant
Program

PLUS SELECTED
COMPARISONS BETWEEN
PROPOSITIONS 84 AND 1

General Purpose of IRWM Funding

Proposition 1

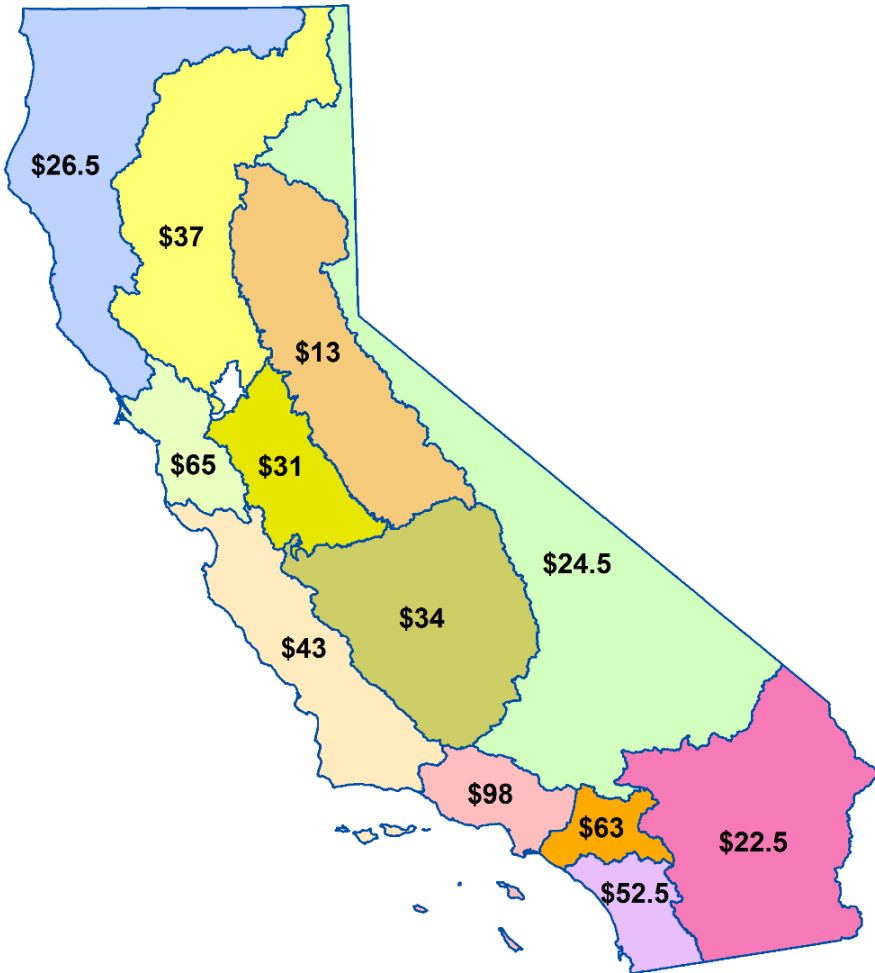
- ▶ The purposes of this chapter are to:
 - ▶ Help water infrastructure systems adapt to climate change
 - ▶ Provide incentives for collaboration on managing water resources and setting water infrastructure priorities
 - ▶ Improve regional water self-reliance

Proposition 84

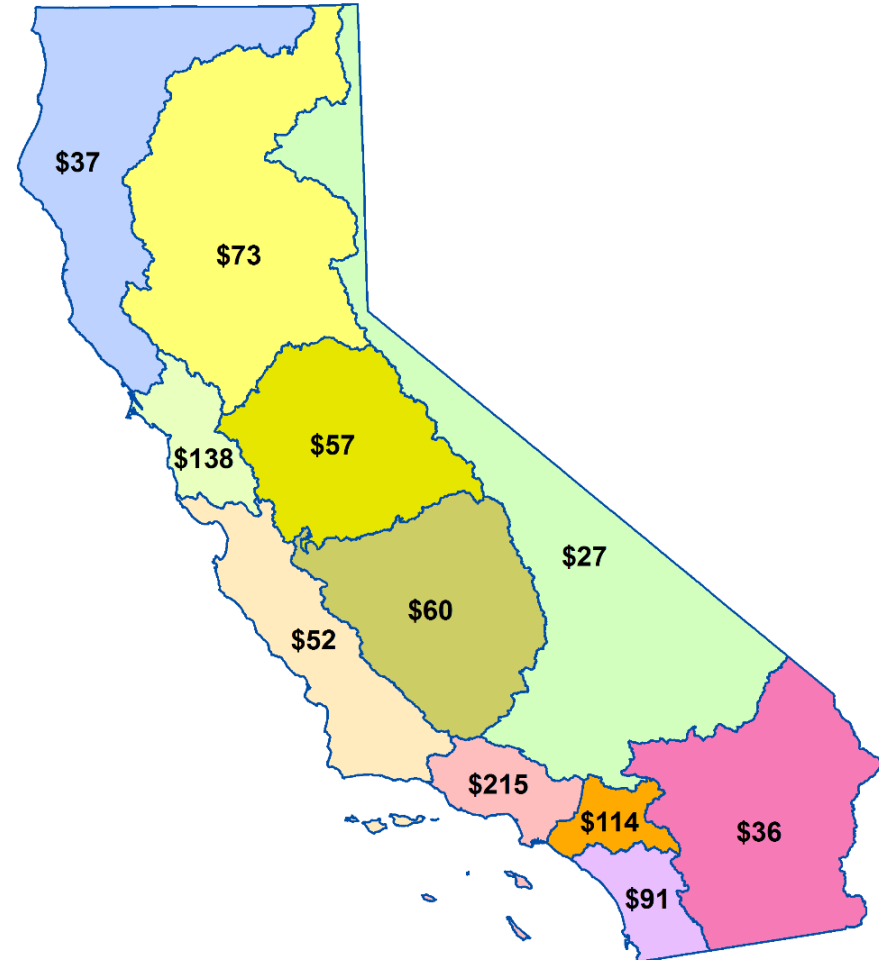
- ▶ Provides funding for projects that:
 - “...assists local public agencies to meet long term water needs of the state including the delivery of safe drinking water and the protection of water quality and the environment.”

Comparison of Funding Area Allocations

Proposition 1



Proposition 84



General IRWM Requirements

- ▶ Priority to projects in plans that cover a greater portion of the watershed. If a plan covers substantially the watershed, the plan's project priorities shall be given deference.
- ▶ Groundwater plan required
- ▶ IRWM plan contributes to addressing the risks in the region to water supply and water infrastructure arising from climate change.
- ▶ Special consideration for multi-benefit projects

Proposition 1 IRWM DAC Obligations

- ▶ A 50% non-state cost share required,
 - ▶ Waived or reduced for projects that directly benefit a DAC or an economically distressed area
- ▶ 10% - Projects that directly benefit a DAC
- ▶ 10% - Ensure involvement of DACs, economically distressed areas, or underrepresented communities within regions
 - ▶ Either direct expenditure or non-competitive grants

Eligible projects include, but not limited to:

- ▶ Water reuse and recycling
- ▶ Water-use efficiency and water conservation
- ▶ Surface and underground water storage
- ▶ Water conveyance facilities
- ▶ Watershed protection, restoration, and management projects
- ▶ Conjunctive use
- ▶ Water desalination projects
- ▶ Decision support tools
- ▶ Improvement of water quality
- ▶ Stormwater resource management

Prop 1
Groundwater
Plans and
Projects Grant
Program

General Purpose of Groundwater Planning and Project Funding

- ▶ Total funding authorized by Chapter = \$900M
- ▶ For Groundwater Plans and Projects = \$100M
 - ▶ For projects that develop and implement groundwater plans and projects in accordance with groundwater planning requirements in Water Code Section 10000
 - ▶ Water Code Section 10000
 - ▶ Groundwater Management Plans
 - ▶ Sustainable Groundwater Plans

General Requirements

- ▶ Competitive grants
- ▶ Consideration for leveraged funding
- ▶ At least 10% of the funding shall be allocated to projects serving severely disadvantaged communities
- ▶ Not less than 50% cost share
 - ▶ Can be waived or reduced, if project directly benefits a disadvantaged communities or economically distressed areas
- ▶ Technical assistance for disadvantaged communities
- ▶ Funding shall not be used to pay any share of remediation costs recovered from responsible parties

Priorities for Groundwater Funding

- ▶ Threat posed by groundwater contamination to drinking water supplies
- ▶ Potential for groundwater contamination to spread and impair drinking water supplies
- ▶ **Potential for project to enhance water supply reliability**
- ▶ Potential for project to maximize opportunities to recharge vulnerable, high-use basins
- ▶ Project addresses contamination at site with yet to be identified responsible parties

Questions?