

Staff Report 45

PROPOSED ACTION:

Discussion and possible action on state legislation relevant to the California State Lands Commission.

DISCUSSION:

June, a month traditionally associated with the end of the school year and the beginning of summer, is also defined by critical budget and policy committee deadlines. It is an incredibly busy month in the Legislature. On June 13, the Legislature passed a 2022-23 budget. Bills are now being heard by policy committees in their second house before the summer recess begins on July 1. The Legislature will reconvene on August 1, setting off a hectic few weeks of work before a fast-approaching August 31 adjournment. These final few weeks of session will include additional budget bills, including one or more budget bill juniors, and resolution of \$21 billion dollar climate change and energy package. This package, which the Legislature and Administration are currently negotiating, is focused on water resilience and drought response, renewable and clean energy development and storage, including geothermal energy development and lithium recovery in the Salton Sea region, nature-based solutions, including conserving 30 percent of the State's land and coastal waters by 2030, and climate equity. Staff expects the climate and energy package will be worked out over the summer, passed in August, and signed into law in early September. There is a lot of work remaining.

Below is a list of key bills that the Commission has adopted a position on or affect the Commission and following that is a list and description of the dozens of bills Commission staff is tracking.

[**AB 1832**](#) (Luz Rivas), the California Seabed Mining Prevention Act, would prohibit the Commission or a local trustee of granted public trust lands from issuing a lease or permit to extract or remove hard minerals from state waters subject to tidal influence, with certain exceptions. The bill, co-sponsored by the Monterey Bay Aquarium, the Surfrider Foundation, and Lieutenant Governor Eleni Kounalakis, is intended to proactively safeguard thousands of miles of seafloor and habitat. The Commission adopted a support position on AB 1832 at its April meeting. On June 1, the Senate Natural Resources and Water Committee approved AB 1832 on a

unanimous bipartisan vote. The bill is pending in the Senate Appropriations Committee.

SB 953 (Min) would have required the Commission to terminate all remaining offshore oil and gas leases under its jurisdiction by December 31, 2023. In October 2021, an underwater pipeline operated by Amplify Energy Corp ruptured, spilling nearly 25,000 gallons of oil into the Pacific Ocean and causing beach closures, damaging the environment, and harming the regional and state coastal economies. The spill triggered an outcry from elected officials, environmental groups, and others to end offshore oil and gas development. At a rally after the spill, Senator Min promised to introduce legislation to end all offshore drilling off the coast of California. Four months later, he introduced SB 953. In May, the Senate Appropriations Committee held SB 953 on its Suspense File.

AB 2109 (Bennett and Bloom) would make it unlawful to use bait, lure, or chum to attract a white shark or to place bait, lure, or chum into the water when a white shark is visible or known to be present except if the activity is authorized by a permit issued by the California Department of Fish and Wildlife for scientific, educational, or propagation purposes. The Commission adopted a support position on AB 2109 at its April meeting. This bill is pending in the Senate Natural Resources and Water Committee.

AB 2257 (Boerner-Horvath), sponsored by Commission Chair and California State Controller Betty Yee, this bill would direct the Commission to develop a study that quantifies the fiscal impact of a voluntary buy-out of the remaining lease interests in the State's 11 actively producing offshore oil and gas leases. The Commission adopted a support position on AB 2257 at its February meeting. The Senate Natural Resources and Water Committee will hear AB 2257 on June 28. The 2022-23 budget approved on June 13 appropriates \$1 million to the Commission for the study.

AB 353 (O'Donnell) would remove the \$300 million cap in the Oil Trust Fund, resuming deposits from the state's share of Long Beach oil operation revenues until the Fund reaches a balance that will cover the state's abandonment liabilities. The Commission adopted a support position on AB 353 at its February meeting. On June 1, the Senate Natural Resources and Water Committee approved AB 353 on a unanimous vote. The bill is pending in the Senate Appropriations Committee.

SB 1065 (Eggman) would establish an abandoned and derelict commercial vessel program within the California Natural Resources Agency and require the State Lands Commission to administer the program. The bill would require the Commission

to create an inventory of all abandoned and derelict commercial vessels on state waters, and in coordination with a multi-agency coordinating council that would be subject to the Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act, develop and submit to the Legislature, an abandoned and derelict commercial vessel removal plan and suggest strategies to prevent abandoned and derelict vessels from being abandoned in state waters. The bill would also ban vessels at risk of becoming derelict from occupying state waters and authorize peace officers and fish and game wardens to remove or seize these vessels and fine the owners. This bill is pending in the Assembly Appropriations Committee.

SB 1078 (Allen) would create a sea level rise revolving loan program applicable to communities disproportionately impacted by climate change. The bill requires the Ocean Protection Council to develop a Sea Level Rise Revolving Loan Pilot Program that would provide low-interest loans to local jurisdictions to purchase vulnerable coastal property located in low-income communities, communities of color, tribal communities, and other disproportionately affected communities and populations who bear the brunt of impacts from climate change. SB 1078, like last year's bill (SB 83, Allen, vetoed) includes the Commission as one of the agencies the Ocean Protection Council must coordinate with when determining eligibility criteria for vulnerable coastal properties to qualify for funding under the loan program. This bill is pending in the Assembly Natural Resources Committee.

AB 2607 (Ting) enables the City of San Francisco to acquire land to build a new firefighter training facility that would replace an existing training facility that will become unavailable in 2025. The bill would authorize the Commission to convey certain land to the City of San Francisco free of the Public Trust and Burton Act trust requirements—subject to the Commission making certain findings. This bill is pending in the Senate Natural Resources and Water Committee.

TRACKED BILLS

AQUACULTURE

AB 303 (RIVAS, ROBERT D) AQUACULTURE: MARICULTURE PRODUCTION AND RESTORATION: PILOT PROGRAM.

Status: Hearing cancelled at the request of the author

Summary: This bill would require the Department of Fish and Wildlife to create a shellfish and seaweed mariculture production and restoration pilot program. The bill would require the Department to establish a process to designate tracts for shellfish

and seaweed mariculture production and restoration as part of the pilot program. and authorize an applicant with a proposed shellfish, seaweed, or shellfish and seaweed mariculture production and restoration project to apply for a lease of any pilot program tract, or a portion thereof. The bill would require the State Lands Commission or the Fish and Game Commission, or both, to approve, deny, or return for revision a lease application within 4 months.

BLUE CARBON

AB 2593 (BOERNER HORVATH D) COASTAL RESOURCES: COASTAL DEVELOPMENT

PERMITS: BLUE CARBON PROJECTS.

Status: Senate Natural Resources and Water Committee

Summary: This bill would require the Coastal Commission to require applicants with a public project seeking a coastal development permit to, where feasible, build or contribute to a blue carbon project.

CARBON CAPTURE AND SEQUESTRATION

[AB 2649](#) ([GARCIA, CRISTINA D](#)) **NATURAL CARBON SEQUESTRATION AND RESILIENCE ACT OF 2022.**

Status: Senate Natural Resources and Water Committee

Summary: This bill would declare it state policy to remove 60,000,000 metric tons of carbon dioxide equivalent annually by December 2030, and 75,000,000 metric tons of carbon dioxide equivalent annually by 2035 through carbon sequestration programs on natural, working, and urban lands. The bill would require the Air Resources Board to include this natural carbon removal goal in its scoping plan and would require the Natural Resources Agency to establish natural carbon sequestration pathways to guide specified agencies in the implementation of sequestration programs to help the State achieve this goal. The bill would also require those and other designated agencies to expand existing and develop nature-based carbon dioxide equivalent sequestration programs.

[AB 2944](#) ([PETRIE-NORRIS D](#)) **GREENHOUSE GASES: CARBON CAPTURE, UTILIZATION, AND SEQUESTRATION.**

Status: Senate Environmental Quality Committee

Summary: This bill would require the Air Resources Board to annually include in a specified annual report to the Legislature, an evaluation of how carbon capture, technologies contribute to greenhouse gas emission reduction efforts.

[SB 905](#) ([SKINNER D](#)) **DECARBONIZED CEMENT AND GEOLOGIC CARBON SEQUESTRATION DEMONSTRATION ACT.**

Status: Assembly Natural Resources Committee

Summary: This bill would require the Air Resources Board to fund 1 – 3 geologic carbon sequestration demonstration projects and develop guidelines and criteria for eligible projects. More broadly, this bill designates the Air Resources Board as the CEQA lead agency for geologic carbon sequestration projects and requires the Board to create a single permit process for these projects.

[SB 1101](#) ([CABALLERO D](#)) **CARBON SEQUESTRATION: PORE SPACE OWNERSHIP AND CARBON CAPTURE, UTILIZATION, AND STORAGE PROGRAM.**

Status: Assembly Natural Resources Committee

Summary: This bill would require the Air Resources Board to establish a Carbon, Capture, Utilization, and Storage program to develop technologies and

equipment. The bill would specify that the definition of free space in existing property rights include pore space that can be possessed and used to store gaseous or liquid substances.

[SB 1399](#) ([WIECKOWSKI D](#)) **CARBON CAPTURE TECHNOLOGY DEMONSTRATION PROJECT GRANT PROGRAM.**

Status: Assembly Natural Resources Committee

Summary: This bill would require the Energy Commission to establish the Carbon Capture Technology Demonstration Project Grant Program to deploy and commercialize carbon capture technologies that will improve the efficiency, effectiveness, cost, emissions reductions, and environmental performance of industrial facilities, natural gas electric generation facilities, and biomass electric generation facilities. The bill would require the Energy Commission to coordinate with specified entities, including the State Lands Commission, to establish program goals and objectives.

CEQA

[AB 1001](#) ([GARCIA, CRISTINA D](#)) **ENVIRONMENT: MITIGATION MEASURES FOR AIR QUALITY IMPACTS: ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE.**

Status: Senate Environmental Quality Committee

Summary: This bill would require mitigation measures identified in an environmental impact report or mitigated negative declaration to mitigate the adverse effects of a project on air quality of a disadvantaged community, to include measures to avoid, minimize, or otherwise mitigate for the adverse effects on that community. The bill would require mitigation measures to include measures conducted at the project site that avoid or minimize to less than significant the adverse effects on the air quality of a disadvantaged community or measures conducted in the affected disadvantaged community that directly mitigate those effects.

[SB 1136](#) ([PORTANTINO D](#)) **CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT: EXPEDITED ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW: CLIMATE CHANGE REGULATIONS.**

Status: Assembly Natural Resources Committee

Summary: The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) requires a lead agency to prepare a mitigated negative declaration for certain projects. CEQA requires specified public agencies, including air pollution control districts and air quality management districts, to perform, when they adopt a rule or regulation requiring the installation of pollution control equipment or a performance standard or

treatment requirement, an environmental analysis of the reasonably foreseeable methods of compliance. This bill would require those agencies to perform an environmental analysis of the reasonably foreseeable methods of compliance.

EQUITY AND ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE

[AB 2296](#) ([JONES-SAWYER D](#)) *TASK FORCE TO STUDY AND DEVELOP REPARATION PROPOSALS FOR AFRICAN AMERICANS.*

Status: Senate Judiciary Committee

Summary: This bill would extend the sunset date on the Taskforce to Study and Develop Reparations Proposals for African Americans to July 1, 2024.

[AB 2419](#) ([BRYAN D](#)) *ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE: FEDERAL INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENT AND JOBS ACT: JUSTICE40 OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE.*

Status: Assembly Desk

Summary: The federal Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act provides additional federal funds to rebuild national infrastructure. Presidential Executive orders established the federal Justice40 Initiative with the goal that 40 percent of the federal benefits flow to disadvantaged communities and stating that Act implementation should prioritize investing public dollars equitably, including through the Justice40 Initiative. This bill would require a state agency administering federal funds under the federal Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act to allocate at least 40 percent of those funds to projects that benefit disadvantaged communities and an additional ten percent to projects that benefit low-income households. General

[AB 2370](#) ([LEVINE D](#)) *PUBLIC RECORDS: STATE AGENCY RETENTION.*

Status: Senate Judiciary Committee

Summary: This bill would require state agencies to retain and preserve every public record for 2 years regardless of physical form or characteristics.

[AB 2758](#) ([O'DONNELL D](#)) *ANGELES: OCEAN DUMPSITES: CHEMICAL WASTE.*

Status: Senate Rules Committee

Summary: This bill would require CalEPA to hold four public meetings annually to inform the public about the agency's efforts to study and mitigate DDT and other chemical waste at dumpsites off the coast of Los Angeles.

OFFSHORE WIND ENERGY

SB 413 (McGUIRE D) ELECTRICITY: OFFSHORE WIND GENERATION FACILITIES: SITE CERTIFICATION.

Status: Senate Energy, Utilities and Communications Committee (dead)

Summary: This bill would require the Energy Commission, in consultation with the Offshore Wind Project Certification, Fisheries, Community, and Indigenous Peoples Advisory Committee, which the bill would create, to establish a process to certify offshore wind generation facilities that is analogous to the existing requirements to certify thermal powerplants. This bill would also give the Energy Commission exclusive authority to certify offshore wind generation facilities.

SB 1274 (McGUIRE D) ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY: ENVIRONMENTAL LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS: CLEAN ENERGY TRANSMISSION PROJECTS: OFFSHORE WIND.

Status: Senate Environmental Quality Committee

Summary: The Jobs and Economic Improvement Through Environmental Leadership Act of 2021 authorizes the Governor to certify certain projects, for CEQA purposes, as leadership projects, including certain renewable energy and housing development projects. This bill would include, as a project eligible for certification, a clean energy project that upgrades transmission infrastructure to bring renewable energy from an offshore wind project located within or adjacent to Humboldt County.

OIL AND GAS

AB 1611 (DAVIES R) OIL SPILLS: POTENTIAL CASUALTIES WITH SUBMERGED OIL PIPELINES: VESSELS: REPORTING.

Status: Senate Natural Resources and Water Committee

Summary: This bill would establish new notification requirements for vessel operators involved in a potential casualty with a submerged oil pipeline and would impose civil penalties on vessel operators who do not notify the Office of Emergency Services of a potential oil pipeline strike in a timely manner.

AB 1657 (NGUYEN R) OIL SPILLS: REPORTING: WATERS OF THE UNITED STATES.

Status: Senate Natural Resources and Water Committee

Summary: This bill would define “threatened discharge of oil in waters of the state” as a discharge by an offshore facility, including an offshore pipeline, located where an oil spill may impact state waters. This bill would require an offshore facility to be presumed to be located where an oil spill may impact state waters if certain circumstances apply, including that any portion of the pipeline serving an offshore facility transports oil to, from, or through state waters.

AB 1658 (NGUYEN R) OIL SPILL RESPONSE AND CONTINGENCY PLANNING: OIL SPILL ELEMENTS: AREA PLANS.

Status: Senate Natural Resources and Water Committee

Summary: This bill would require local area plans with an oil spill element to be consistent with the USCG area Contingency Plan, the local government’s Local Coastal Program, the California Oil Spill Contingency Plan, and the National Contingency Plan.

AB 1676 (GRAYSON D) PIPELINE SAFETY: CARBON DIOXIDE.

Status: Assembly Natural Resources Committee

Summary: This bill would add carbon dioxide, compressed to a supercritical state, to the substances included in the Elder California Pipeline Safety Act, giving the State Fire Marshal exclusive jurisdiction to regulate intrastate pipeline transportation of carbon dioxide.

AB 1966 (MURATSUCHI D) FOSSIL FUEL-DEPENDENT WORKERS: CALIFORNIA EQUITABLE JUST TRANSITION FUND.

Status: Assembly Rules Committee

Summary: This bill expresses legislative intent to establish an equitable just transition fund to assist fossil fuel-dependent workers with wage replacement, wage insurance, pension guarantees, health care, retraining, peer counseling, and relocation support for fossil fuel workers who face layoffs owing to operation closures.

AB 2204 (BOERNER HORVATH D) CLEAN ENERGY: OFFICE OF CLEAN ENERGY WORKFORCE.

Status: Senate Rules Committee

Summary: This bill would establish the Office of Clean Energy Workforce in the Labor and Workforce Development Agency to oversee California’s transition to a carbon neutral economy. The bill would require the Office to coordinate with state

agencies to track the State's progress and create or coordinate programs to retrain and upskill workers for clean energy jobs.

AB 2447 (QUIRK D) OIL AND GAS WASTEWATER: UNLINED PONDS: PROHIBITION.

Status: Assembly Inactive file

Summary: This bill would ban disposing produced wastewater into unlined ponds and the construction of new unlined ponds, with certain exceptions, and would ban permit renewals or other authorization for those activities. Beginning in 2025, the bill would ban disposal of produced wastewater into unlined ponds and the construction of new unlined ponds.

AB 2609 (PETRIE-NORRIS D) OIL: FACILITY RESPONSE PLAN.

Status: Assembly Natural Resources Committee

Summary: This bill would require an operator of an onshore facility or marine facility that poses any risk of discharging oil into or on water and that is required to prepare a facility response plan to submit the plan to the State Lands Commission. The bill would require the Commission to post the plan on its website within 30 days of receiving the plan and to hold at least two public hearings in different parts of the state to receive public comment on the plans.

AB 2931 (BLOOM D) PIPELINE SAFETY: RECORDS.

Status: Senate Rules Committee

Summary: This bill would authorize the State Fire Marshal, for purposes of carrying out state or federal law relating to hazardous liquid pipeline safety, to require the owner or operator of a pipeline to establish and maintain records, make reports, and provide any information that the State Fire Marshal requires.

SB 1030 (LIMÓN D) PIPELINE SAFETY: RECORDS.

Status: Assembly Emergency Management Committee

Summary: This bill would revise and recast laws relating to the State Fire Marshal's responsibilities under the Elder California Pipeline Safety Act as it relates to record maintenance and inspection and would authorize the State Fire Marshal to require a pipeline owner or operator to establish and maintain records, make reports, and provide any information that the State Fire Marshal requires.

SB 1125 (GROVE R) OIL AND GAS: ALTERNATIVE TO BOND REQUIREMENT: FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS.

Status: Senate Natural Resources and Water Committee

Summary: This bill would establish a program in CalGEM to permit a small, independent oil producer to establish a separate, privately owned financial account to finance costs related to ceasing operations or plugging and abandoning a well in lieu of maintaining a bond.

SB 1423 (STERN D) COASTAL RESOURCES: CALIFORNIA COASTAL ACT OF 1976: INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENTS: OIL AND GAS FACILITIES.

Status: Senate Appropriations Committee – held under submission

Summary: This bill would revise the coastal-dependent industrial use (override) policies in the Coastal Act to prohibit new or expanded oil and gas development and new or expanded refineries or petrochemical facilities from being considered a coastal-dependent industrial use.

OPEN MEETINGS

AB 1733 (QUIRK D) STATE BODIES: OPEN MEETINGS.

Status: Assembly Governmental Organization Committee

Summary: This bill would change Bagley-Keene open meeting requirements to require all open meetings to be held by teleconference, allow for use of teleconference in closed sessions, and make other changes regarding teleconference meetings, remote participation, and open meeting notifications.

AB 1795 (FONG R) OPEN MEETINGS: REMOTE PARTICIPATION.

Status: Assembly Governmental Organization Committee

Summary: This bill would require state bodies to provide participation options both in-person and remotely in any meeting and to address the body remotely.

PLASTIC POLLUTION AND MARINE DEBRIS

AB 1690 (RIVAS, LUZ D) TOBACCO AND CANNABIS PRODUCTS: SINGLE-USE ELECTRONIC CIGARETTES AND INTEGRATED CANNABIS VAPORIZERS.

Status: Assembly Inactive File

Summary: This bill would prohibit the sale of cigarettes using a single-use filter made of any material, an attachable and single-use plastic device meant to facilitate manual manipulation or filtration of a tobacco product, or a single-use electronic cigarette or vaporizer device.

AB 2026 (FRIEDMAN D) RECYCLING: PLASTIC PACKAGING AND CARRYOUT BAGS.

Status: Senate Rules Committee

Summary: This bill would require an e-commerce shipper that ships purchased products in or to the State to reduce the total weight and number of units of single-use plastic shipping envelopes, cushioning, and void fill it uses to ship the product by an unspecified percentage.

AB 2784 (TING D) SOLID WASTE: THERMOFORM PLASTIC CONTAINERS: POSTCONSUMER THERMOFORM RECYCLED PLASTIC.

Status: Senate Rules Committee

Summary: This bill would establish minimum recycled content requirements for thermoform plastic containers.

AB 2787 (QUIRK D) MICROPLASTICS IN PRODUCTS.

Status: Assembly Inactive File

Summary: This bill would prohibit the sale, distribution, or offering of products containing intentionally added microplastic.

SB 54 (ALLEN D) PLASTIC POLLUTION PRODUCER RESPONSIBILITY ACT.

Status: Assembly Natural Resources Committee

Summary: This bill would prohibit producers of single-use, disposable packaging or single-use, disposal food service ware from offering for sale, selling, distributing, or importing in or into the state those products manufactured after January 1, 2032, unless it is recyclable or compostable.

SB 1046 (EGGMAN D) SOLID WASTE: PRECHECKOUT BAGS.

Status: Assembly Natural Resources Committee

Summary: This bill would prohibit certain stores from providing a checkout bag to a customer unless the bag is compostable or a recycled paper bag.

SB 1232 (ALLEN D) SOLID WASTE: PRODUCTS: LABELING: BIODEGRADABILITY.

Status: Senate Appropriations Committee

Summary: This bill would allow a manufacturer to deem a product "biodegradable," "degradable," or "decomposable" if the product, among other things, does not contain an intentionally added ingredient determined by the Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment to present a risk to human health from dermal or oral exposure or if the Office, in consultation with the Department of

Resources Recycling and Recovery, determines, with respect to a specific product, material, or ingredient, that there is competent and reliable evidence supporting a claim that it is “biodegradable,” “degradable,” or “decomposable.”

PUBLIC LANDS

AB 30 (KALRA D) OUTDOOR ACCESS TO NATURE: ENVIRONMENTAL EQUITY.

Status: Senate Appropriations Committee

Summary: This bill would establish the Equitable Outdoor Access Act to ensure all Californians can meaningfully access the State’s cultural and natural resources. The bill would declare it state policy to ensure that all Californians have equitable access to public lands and would require certain state agencies, including the California Natural Resources Agency and each entity within the Agency, to consider and incorporate the state policy when revising, adopting, or establishing policies, regulations, grant criteria, or making expenditures.

AB 1789 (BENNETT D) OUTDOOR RECREATION: CALIFORNIA RECREATIONAL TRAILS SYSTEM PLAN: CALIFORNIA TRAILS COMMISSION: TRAILS CORPS PROGRAM: GRANT PROGRAM.

Status: Senate Rules Committee

Summary: This bill would require State Parks to update the California Recreational Trails System Plan and would authorize the State Park and Recreation Commission to take actions related to trail planning and development.

AB 2016 (BAUER-KAHAN D) STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD: DESALINATION PLANT: FEASIBILITY STUDY.

Status: Senate Rules Committee

Summary: This bill would request that the California Council on Science and Technology undertake a comprehensive feasibility study of brackish and ocean water desalination along the San Francisco Bay in coordination with the Department of Water Resources and submit the study to the Legislature.

AB 2177 (IRWIN D) COASTAL RECREATION: DESIGNATED STATE SURFING RESERVES.

Status: Assembly Appropriations Committee – held under submission

Summary: This bill would require State Coastal Conservancy to establish criteria and an application process to designate state surfing reserves.

AB 2287 (STONE D) CALIFORNIA OCEAN RESOURCES STEWARDSHIP ACT OF 2000.

Status: Senate Rules Committee

Summary: This bill would authorize the California Ocean Science Trust to contract with agencies and departments outside the California Natural Resources Agency for science-based research and other services, and rename the California Ocean Trust as the California Ocean Science Trust. The bill would also revise the purposes of the California Ocean Science Trust and make new legislative findings about the impacts of climate change and the need for science-informed policy.

SB 1012 (GLAZER D) STATE PARKS: OPEN FIRES.

Status: Assembly Water, Parks, and Wildlife Committee

Summary: This bill would require a unit of the state park system to follow and enforce the rules relating to open fires that are at least as restrictive as the rules adopted by a local fire department or a fire protection district within whose boundaries the unit is located.

SB 1036 (NEWMAN D) CALIFORNIA CONSERVATION CORPS: CALIFORNIA OCEAN CORPS PROGRAM.

Status: Assembly Natural Resources Committee

Summary: This bill would require the California Conservation Corps to establish the California Ocean Corps to provide opportunities for people ages 16 to 30 to contribute ocean conservation work spanning from casual volunteer opportunities to long-term, paid skill development programs. The bill would appropriate \$40 million General Fund for the program.

SB 1052 (KAMLAGER D) BALDWIN HILLS CONSERVANCY: URBAN WATERSHEDS CONSERVANCY EXPANSION.

Status: Assembly Natural Resources Committee

Summary: This bill would expand the Baldwin Hills Conservancy, of which the Commission is a member, to include the southern Ballona Creek Watershed and the Upper Dominguez Channel, rename the Conservancy, and make it permanent.

RENEWABLE ENERGY

SB 1376 (STERN D) STATE ENERGY RESOURCES CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION: STRATEGIC PLAN: ZERO-CARBON RESOURCES.

Status: Senate Appropriations Committee – Held under submission.

Summary: This bill would require the Energy Commission to adopt a strategic plan by November 2023 to enable no less than 6 gigawatts per year of zero-carbon resources to be interconnected to the electrical grid, beginning in January 2025.

SEA LEVEL RISE AND CLIMATE CHANGE

AB 1395 (MURATSUCHI D) *THE CALIFORNIA CLIMATE CRISIS ACT.*

Status: Senate Inactive File

Summary: This bill, the California Climate Crisis Act, would declare it state policy to achieve net zero greenhouse gas emissions as soon as possible, but no later than 2045, and achieve and maintain net negative greenhouse gas emissions thereafter, and to ensure that by 2045, statewide anthropogenic greenhouse gas emissions are reduced to at least 90 percent below 1990 levels.

AB 1640 (WARD D) *OFFICE OF PLANNING AND RESEARCH: REGIONAL CLIMATE NETWORKS: REGIONAL CLIMATE ADAPTATION AND RESILIENCE ACTION PLANS.*

Status: Senate Rules Committee

Summary: This bill would authorize a regional climate network to develop a regional climate adaptation and resilience action plan and would require the Office of Planning and Research to develop and publish guidelines on how eligible entities may establish regional climate networks and how governing boards may be established within regional climate networks.

AB 1939 (RIVAS, LUZ D) *PUPIL INSTRUCTION: SCIENCE REQUIREMENTS: CLIMATE CHANGE.*

Status: Senate Rules Committee

Summary: This bill would add content on the causes and effects of, and methods to mitigate and adapt to, climate change to science courses for grades 1 to 6 and grades 7 to 12, and require that this coursework be offered to students by the 2023-24 school year, and require that at least one science course required for graduation include material on the causes and effects of, and methods to mitigate and adapt to, climate change, beginning with the graduating class of 2027-28.

AB 2362 (MULLIN D) *PUBLICLY AND ENVIRONMENTALLY BENEFICIAL PROJECTS: INTERAGENCY COORDINATION: PERMITS*

Status: Senate Natural Resources and Water Committee

Summary: This bill would require the California Natural Resources Agency to convene an interagency working group comprised of regulatory agencies

responsible for permitting environmentally beneficial projects. This bill would require the working group to identify existing programmatic and other efficient permitting mechanisms and coordinate actions to fund and expedite permitting for these projects. This bill would require public agencies responsible for permitting environmentally beneficial projects to use these efficient permitting mechanisms.

SB 852 (DODD D) CLIMATE RESILIENCE DISTRICTS: FORMATION: FUNDING MECHANISMS.

Status: Assembly Local Government Committee

Summary: This bill would allow cities and counties to create climate resilience districts to raise and allocate funding for projects that address sea level rise, extreme heat, extreme cold, the risk of wildfire, drought, and flooding.

SB 867 (LAIRD D) SEA LEVEL RISE: PLANNING AND ADAPTATION.

Status: Assembly Natural Resources Committee

Summary: This bill would require local governments within the coastal zone or the jurisdiction of the San Francisco Bay Conservation and Development Commission to address sea level rise planning and adaptation through either a local coastal program or a shoreline coastal resiliency plan.

SB 989 (HERTZBERG D) CLIMATE CHANGE PREPAREDNESS, RESILIENCY, AND JOBS FOR COMMUNITIES PROGRAM: CLIMATE-BENEFICIAL PROJECTS: GRANT FUNDING.

Status: Assembly Natural Resources Committee

Summary: This bill would establish the Climate Change Preparedness, Resiliency, and Jobs for Communities Program, to be administered by the Strategic Growth Council, and would require the Council to fund grants to develop and implement multi-benefit, community-level, climate-beneficial projects to support community and landscape resiliency and workforce development.

SB 1078 (ALLEN D) SEA LEVEL RISE REVOLVING LOAN PILOT PROGRAM.

Status: Assembly Natural Resources Committee

Summary: This bill would establish a sea level rise revolving loan pilot program to provide local jurisdictions with low interest loans to purchase vulnerable coastal properties in communities disproportionately impacted by climate change.

TRIBAL ISSUES

AB 923 (RAMOS D) GOVERNMENT-TO-GOVERNMENT CONSULTATION ACT: STATE-TRIBAL CONSULTATION.

Status: Senate Governmental Organization Committee

Summary: This bill would require state agencies to consult on a government-to-government basis with California tribes. The bill would require the executive branch to consult with a tribe within 60 days' notice of consultation request and would require each agency director to consider the need for tribal consultation before approving an agency policy. The bill would designate state officials authorized to represent the state in government-to-government consultations and would require a training to be developed, by June 30, 2023, regarding government-to-government consultations, and would require all agency directors, chairs, executive officers, and chief counsels to complete the training by January 2024.

AB 2022 (RAMOS D) STATE GOVERNMENT.

Status: Senate Rules Committee

Summary: This bill would require the term "squaw" to be removed from all geographic features and place names in the state.

AB 2225 (WARD D) RESOURCE CONSERVATION: TRADITIONAL ECOLOGICAL KNOWLEDGE: LAND MANAGEMENT PLANS.

Status: Senate Rules Committee

Summary: This bill would require the California Natural Resources Agency to conduct regional workshops across the state to solicit input, priorities, and concerns from Native American tribes regarding traditional ecological knowledge and reimburse tribes for this consultation.