



# Agriculture, Environment and Natural Resources

*The Agriculture and Natural Resources (ANR) Policy Committee is responsible for the review of state budget items and ballot measures, and state/federal legislative and regulatory proposals that affect agriculture, the environment and natural resources.*

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**Primary Legislative Policy Committees**

Senate and Assembly Agriculture Committees  
Senate and Assembly Appropriations Committees  
Senate Environmental Quality Committee  
Senate Natural Resources and Water Committee  
Senate Energy, Utilities and Communications Committee  
Assembly Environmental Safety and Toxic Materials Committee  
Assembly Water, Parks and Wildlife Committee  
Assembly Local Government Committee  
Assembly Utilities and Commerce Committee

**Primary Budget Subcommittees**

Senate Budget and Fiscal Review Committee and Subcommittee No. 2 on Resources, Environmental Protection, Energy and Transportation  
Assembly Budget Committee and Subcommittee No. 3 on Resources and Transportation

**Key State Agencies**

California Environmental Protection Agency  
CalRecycle  
State Water Resources Control Board  
California Air Resource Board  
Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment  
California Natural Resources Agency  
Department of Parks and Recreation  
Department of Water Resources  
Department of Conservation  
State Mining and Geology Board  
Department of Fish and Wildlife  
Department of Forestry and Fire Protection  
Board of Forestry and Fire Protection  
Department of Food and Agriculture  
Office of Emergency Services  
California Energy Commission  
Public Utilities Commission

**Key CSAC Affiliates**

County Engineers Association of California (CEAC)  
California County Planning Directors Association  
California Agriculture Commissioners and Sealers Association

**Key CSAC Affiliates (continued)**

California Conference of Directors of Environmental Health  
California Operational Area Coalition  
California Emergency Services Association  
California Animal Control Directors Association  
California Association of Regional Parks and Open Space Administrators  
County Building Officials Association of California

**CSAC Internal Working Groups/Task Forces**

CSAC Internal Working Groups and Task Forces  
CSAC Climate Change Task Force  
CSAC Marijuana Working Group  
CSAC Water Working Group  
CSAC/RCRC Williamson Act Working Group

**Legislative Responsibilities**

- Agriculture: Williamson Act, commissioners/weights & measures, pesticide use, county fairs and food safety
- Natural Resources: water, including supply and quality issues, Delta, bonds, groundwater, drinking water, and conservation; fish & wildlife, including California Endangered Species Act; forest management, air resources, mining, open space conservation, coastal and wetlands
- Fire Safety: state and federal funding and land use
- Energy: facility/transmission line siting, renewable energy, conservation, PACE, and Community Choice Aggregation
- Climate Change: sea level rise and coastal climate issues, Cap & Trade, AB 32 Scoping Plan updates/implementation, and adaptation
- Flood Control/Stormwater: land use, state and federal funding and regulatory streamlining
- Parks and Recreation: land use and funding
- Environmental Justice: CalEnviroScreen Tool, disadvantaged communities
- Solid Waste Management: facilities, recycling, conversion technology, and extended producer responsibility
- Emergency Management: California Disaster Assistance Act (CDAA), Federal Stafford Act, state and federal funding, regulatory streamlining, seismic safety and oil spills
- Animal Control
- Marijuana: Land use and environmental impacts