



Agriculture, Environment, and Natural Resources

The Agriculture, Environment, and Natural Resources (AENR) 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 Resiliency Working Group
CSAC/RCRC Groundwater Management 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, public safety power shutdowns, seismic safety and oil spills
- Animal Control
- Cannabis
- California Environmental Quality Act