

2022-23 Budget Overview

Budget Process

- Essentially 3 rounds of the budget were passed
 - 1st to meet the constitutional deadline of June 15th
 - 2nd created the larger structure of the budget with some appropriations (late June)
 - 3rd final appropriations specified

Climate and Water Resources Numbers

- Total of \$4 billion for Climate split between Drought, Energy, Wildfire, Extreme Heat, Nature Based Solutions
- \$160.5 million for watershed climate resilience (split between upper and lower watershed)
- \$116 million for Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) implementation
- \$150 million for conservation and turf replacement
- \$100's of millions for Voluntary Agreements

How Did The Final Budget Come Together?



Specifics on Watershed Climate Resilience

Lower watershed at DWR. This year \$66.5 million with an additional \$84 million in the out years for a total of \$150.5 million.

AB 179 Sec 19.58

“(i) These funds shall be provided as grants to water agencies and other public agencies for drought resilience and identification and assessment of climate risks on a watershed basis.

(ii) These funds shall be prioritized in areas with greatest risk or potential to reduce environmental conflicts. Funds may be used for longer-term planning and resilience projects, including but not limited to... infrastructure to improve regional flexibility to address drought conditions, and conjunctive use and management between multiple water supply sources.”

Specifics on Watershed Climate Resilience Cont'

- \$93 million Upper Watershed to the WCB this year
- Additional \$80 million in out years for a total of \$173 million.
- These funds shall support competitive grants to improve watershed protection and climate resiliency