

**Central MWD Caucus  
Assembly and Senate Delta Bill Packages  
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The intent of the Delta Bill Package will be to develop a comprehensive set of measures that will restore the Delta ecosystem and create a more reliable water supply for California. In the coming weeks, we will see the bills becoming more substantive in anticipation of being heard in their respective policy committees by the July 10 deadline.

**The Assembly Delta bill package includes:**

- **AB 13 (Mary Salas, D-Chula Vista)** Delta Conservancy: Creates a State conservancy to carry out ecosystem restoration projects and support appropriate economic development in the Delta.
  
- **AB 39 (Jared Huffman, D-San Rafael)** Delta Plan: Requires a new Delta Council to create a comprehensive plan for resolving the Delta crisis, consistent with the Delta Vision Strategic Plan.
  
- **AB 49 (Mike Feuer, D-Los Angeles and Jared Huffman, D-San Rafael)** Water Conservation: Requires California to achieve a 20% reduction in per capita water use by 2020, as proposed by Governor Schwarzenegger and relying on local water agency actions.
  
- **AB 900 (Kevin De Leon, D-Los Angeles)** Delta Water Diversion Reporting: Ensures that California has sufficient information about how much water is diverted from streams in the Delta.

**The Senate Delta bill package includes:**

- **SB 12 (Joe Simitian, D-Palo Alto)** Delta Conservancy: The bill would establish the Delta Ecosystem and Water Council to advance the goals of restoring the Delta ecosystem and creating a more reliable water supply in California.
  
- **SB 229 (Fran Pavley, D-Santa Monica)** Bay Delta Interim Governance: This bill proposes that the two major recommendations of the Delta Vision Task Force, a blue-ribbon task force appointed by the Governor to develop a vision for a

sustainable Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta. These are: (1) ecosystem restoration and (2) improvements to water supply reliability.

- **SB 261 (Bob Dutton, R-Inland Empire & Denise Ducheny, D-San Diego)** Water Conservation: would require an urban water supplier to develop and implement a water use efficiency and a water resources management plan to reduce residential potable water use or achieve extraordinary water use efficiency.
- **SB 457 (Lois Wolk, D-Davis)** Delta Plan: establishes a California Delta Stewardship Council that will be responsible for developing a Delta stewardship plan and ensuring proposed projects in the Delta comply with that plan.
- **SB 458 (Lois Wolk, D-Davis)** Delta Conservancy: would establish the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Conservancy to support efforts that advance both environmental protection and the economic well being of Delta residents and to cooperate with other Delta governance entities.