



2018 Metropolitan Legislative Priorities and Principles

Communications and Legislation

Items 8-6 and 8-7

December 11, 2017

2017-18 Adopted Priorities and Principles

- Separated state and federal into two board letters
- Included “top priorities”
- Added new section on Watershed Management



2018 Legislative Priorities Edits

- Federal: Support consolidating review and oversight of anadromous species under the Department of Interior
- State: Advance state policy on water-use efficiency targets and recycled water that respects investments while providing flexibility and maintaining local discretion, where appropriate
- State: Move previously adopted environmental compliance 'principle' to 'top priorities' section

2018 Legislative Principles Edits

- Federal: Support efforts to improve federal hydropower relicensing for existing facilities
- State: Support Cap-and-Trade allowances for water programs and projects
- State: Added language to support equitable cost sharing for water rate affordability proposals.
- Added language to support stormwater capture in federal and state principles
- Added clarity edits to state and federal principles

Board options Item 8-6

- Option #1

Adopt the CEQA determination that the proposed action is not defined as a project and is not subject to CEQA and adopt the Federal Legislative Priorities and Principles for 2018

- Option #2

Take no action

Board options Item 8-7

- Option #1

Adopt the CEQA determination that the proposed action is not defined as a project and is not subject to CEQA and adopt the State Legislative Priorities and Principles for 2018

- Option #2

Take no action

