

b. Subject: Report on activities from Washington, D.C.

Presented by: Brad Hiltcher, Executive Legislative Representative

Executive Legislative Representative Hiltcher reported on federal matters which included:

- Federal legislative calendar
- Farm bill
- Wildfire appropriations
- Water Resources Development Act: House and Senate legislation
- House Interior-Environment Appropriations riders
- White House Initiative to re-organize the Department of the Interior
- New leadership at Environmental Protection Agency

c. Subject: Report on activities from Sacramento

Presented by: Kathy Cole, Executive Legislative Representative

Executive Legislative Representative Cole reported on state matters which included:

- State legislative deadlines
- November election update on eligible propositions
- State Water Project contract extension oversight hearing

Director Vazquez-Wilson entered the meeting at 12:50 p.m.

7. MANAGEMENT REPORT

a. Subject: External Affairs Management Report

Presented by: Sue Sims, Group Manager, External Affairs

Group Manager Sims reported on the following items:

- Metropolitan was honored with 13 top awards, which included Best of Show recognition, from the National Association of Government Communicators for various outreach and communications work.
- Launch of the advertising and outreach campaign for the water conservation program.

8. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS

- Request for map of disadvantaged communities.
- Request for continuing updates on disadvantaged communities.

9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- Request that Congressman Calvert's rider on FY 2019 Interior Appropriations bill will be brought back to committee as an action item in August.

Next meeting will be held on August 20, 2018.

Meeting adjourned at 1:01 p.m.

Cynthia Kurtz
Chair