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# CMUA NEWS & VIEWS

The latest from the California Municipal Utilities Association and its members

## CMUA News

[California POU's Advocate in Washington D.C. at Annual Legislative Rally](#)

Last week California publicly owned utilities took their message to the nation's capital to help establish national policy and advocate for customers before Congress. The California POU contingent took a leading role in a variety of ways during the annual American Public Power Association (APPA) Legislative Rally.

[California Water Commission Executive Officer to Address CMUA Members at Annual Conference](#)

Learn about the priorities of the Department of Water Resources, including proposals to build new dams and reservoirs in California, funded by \$2.7 billion in Proposition 1 bonds, when Joe Yun, executive officer of the California Water Commission, speaks at the Water Managers' Breakfast on March 26 during CMUA's 2018 Annual Conference in San Francisco. [Go to CMUA.org for conference registration information.](#)

[CMUA's Executive Director Quoted in Newspaper Story about Renewables in the West](#)

In this March 1 Desert Sun article, Barry Moline discusses the potential impact on customers of a larger, regionalized electric grid.

[CMUA Members Invited to Participate in Water Innovation Forum March 15 in S.F.](#)

Presented by tech incubator Imagine H2O and Water Environment Federation, the daylong event at the Google Community Space at San Francisco's Embarcadero will focus on how water professionals can improve the pace at which innovations are deployed to make progress against key water challenges.

## Member News

[Alameda Municipal Power Earns Credit Rating Upgrade from Fitch Ratings](#)

[Eastern MWD Director Ron Sullivan Recognized for Desalination Leadership](#)

[Glendale Water and Power Publishes Final EIR for Proposed Grayson Repowering Project](#)

[North Hollywood High School Wins LADWP 25th Annual Science Bowl](#)

[Lassen MUD Launches 'Plug Into Savings 2.0'](#)

[City of Sacramento Launches Online App for Utility Rate Assistance Program](#)

[Santa Clara Valley Water District Breaks Ground on Groundwater Improvement Project in Morgan Hill](#)

[Silicon Valley Power Announces Carbon-Free Electricity for All Residents](#)

[Powerhouse Science Center and SMUD Announce Expanded Sponsorship](#)

## Energy Headlines



[California Lawmakers Weigh In on Utility Wildfire Exposure](#)

Natural Gas Intel

[SoCal Edison Loses Opening Round in Thomas Fire Litigation](#)

Santa Barbara Independent

[California ISO Eyes Changes to Day-Ahead Market](#)

Platts

[Consumer Watchdog Urges CPUC To Reject San Onofre Settlement](#)

KPBS

[SDG&E Unveils Energy Storage Projects for Emergency Services](#)

Times of San Diego

[California Energy Commission OKs Members For Disadvantaged Communities Advisory Group](#)

Solar Industry

[San Diego Will Double Pace of Utility Undergrounding Work](#)

San Diego Union-Tribune

[Ventura Votes to Join Clean Power Alliance of Southern California](#)

Ventura County Star

[Monterey Bay Community Power Turns the 'On' Switch](#)

KAZU

[Trump's Plan to Ease Climate Change Rules Riles Californians](#)

Seattle Times

[U.S. Storage Market Could Reach 50 GW If Costs Keep Declining](#)

Utility Dive

[FERC Allows Energy Storage to Play in Nationwide Wholesale Markets](#)

Greentech

[WAPA Exploring Multiple Options for Reliability Coordinator](#)

Western Area Power Administration

## Water Headlines

[Welcome Winter Storm Slows California's Plunge Back to Drought](#)

Mercury News

[Why New California Drought Regulations Have Caused an Uproar](#)

News Deeply

[Tesla Powerpacks Could Start Saving Water Ratepayers Money in Southern California](#)

Electrek

[Southern California Water Agency Could Vote Soon on Whether to Bankroll Delta Tunnels](#)

Sacramento Bee

[Temperance Flat Support Team Appeals Water Commission Decision](#)

Fox26

[California Governor Signs Dam-Safety Bill Prompted by Crisis](#)

Associated Press

[Jerry Brown's Grand California Water Solution Remains in Jeopardy as He Prepares to Exit](#)

Los Angeles Times

[Sacramento County Alleges Secret Meetings over Delta Tunnels, Files Lawsuit](#)

Sacramento Bee

[How California Can Stave Off a Water 'Day Zero'](#)

City Journal

[Study: Snowpack Has Declined Dramatically Across U.S. West](#)

San Francisco Chronicle

[U.S. Utilities Find Water Pollution at Coal Ash Dumps](#)

NBC Los Angeles

[California Man Overpays Utility Bill for More than 2 Decades](#)

ABC Los Angeles

## Innovation & Developments



[California Financing Coordinating Committee Invites Utilities, Water Agencies to 2018 Infrastructure Funding Fairs](#)

CA.gov

[UCLA Study Presents L.A. with a Path to Independence from Imported Water](#)

UCLA Newsroom

[Fairly \(or Unfairly Traceable?\) Traceable: Are Discharges Through Groundwater Subject to the Clean Water Act?](#)

Best Best & Krieger LLP

[Overlooked Water Sources Aided Tree Survival During Drought, Researchers Discover](#)

Daily Californian

[Progress on California Water Data](#)

UCLA Law

[Stanford Launches New Energy Research Program in Collaboration with Industry](#)

Stanford

[Are Russian Bots Trying to Cripple U.S. Energy Production?](#)

Ars Technica

[Models Show Global Warming Could Be Limited to 1.5 Degrees Celsius](#)

UPI

## Opinion



[California's Mystery Gasoline Surcharge Continues](#)

Energy Institute at Haas (blog)

[PUC Is Looking Out for Utility Customers](#)

Sacramento Bee

[Jerry Brown Would Trust Donald Trump with Regulating Energy? Really?](#)  
San Diego Union Tribune

[California Should Pass on Regional Power Grid](#)  
San Diego Union Tribune

[Filling the Blanks of an Empty Clean Energy Budget Proposal](#)  
NRDC

## Calendar



[CMUA Annual Conference](#), March 25-27, 2018, San Francisco



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