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Agenda

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Legislative
Plan

Looking Back on 2018

Review of 2018 – Successes

Increased Visibility and Leadership in Sacramento

- **Advocacy Trips:** February 26
- **Meetings with Key Legislators and Stakeholders on Industry Specific Topics** (*pharmaceuticals, microfibers, biosolids, CEQA review, transparency and advertising*)
 - Office of Senator Hannah Beth Jackson
 - Assemblymember Tom Daly
 - Assemblymember Richard Bloom
 - Assemblymember Sharon Quirk Silva
 - Assembly Local Government Committee Members and Staff
- **Creation of New Industry Partnerships**
 - Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County
 - Sacramento Municipal Utility District

Review of 2018 – Successes

Industry Leader on Key Pieces of Legislation

- **Sponsored 1 Bill**
 - AB 2003 (Daly)
- **Took Official Positions on 11 Pieces of Legislation**
 - Critical Amendments Proposed and Included in SB 212 (Jackson)
 - Critical Amendments Proposed and Opposition expressed to AB 2447 (Reyes) regarding CEQA review notices. Bill was not successful.
- **Key Policy Discussions on Microfiber Legislation**

Success Rate: The ultimate fate of 9 out of 11 bills were consistent with OCSD's position

Looking Ahead to 2019

Legislative Proposals

Bill Concept 1 – Bid Advertising Requirements

Presented to CSDA and discussed at CSDA Legislative Planning Meeting on November 2

Bill Concept 2 – Job Order Contracting

Presented to CASA and will be discussed at the CASA Legislative Planning Meeting in December

OCSD Led Legislative Proposals

Bill Concept 3 – Video Surveillance

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Bill Concept 4 – Raising the Contract/Bid Threshold

Presented to CASA and will be discussed at the CASA Legislative Planning Meeting in December

Looking Ahead to 2019 – Plan of Action

- **Increased Visibility and Leadership in Sacramento**
 - Anticipated Policy Discussions in 2019: Microfibers, Biosolids, Non-Flushable Products, Direct Potable Reuse, Water Tax
- **Continued Relationship Building and OCSD Plant Tours with Key Sacramento Stakeholders Including:**
 - Members of the Legislature
 - The New Administration
 - Key Committee Staff
 - State Water Resources Control Board Members and Staff
 - CalRecycle Staff (Biosolids Policy and Funding Opportunities)
- **Increased Involvement and Collaboration with CASA, CSDA, and other Statewide Associations**

2019 Legislative Plan

2019 Legislative Plan

- In August, TPA met with OCSD policy experts in each Department to discuss their challenges and frustrations and to identify opportunities
- TPA worked to draft updates to the Legislative Plan to address those concerns. Those updates were submitted to staff for inclusion in the 2019 Legislative Plan.

2019 Legislative Plan

Section	Page	New Policy Statement
Air Quality	12	<p>Support legislation that would facilitate emission reduction credits for wastewater treatment plants</p> <p>Oppose additional redundant requirements and double reporting requirements with respect to air quality or greenhouse gas emissions, including but not limited to reporting requirements associated with AB 617 (Garcia)</p>
Biosolids AND Biogas	12 and 13	<p>Support streamlined legislation, regulations and policies that encourage the procurement of biogas, biosolids, and compost</p> <p>Support CalRecycle, California Air Resources Board (CARB), California Public Utilities Commission, (CPUC), California Energy Commission (CEC), California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA), and State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) accepting quality standards that allow wastewater treatment plants to inject biogas production into existing pipelines for use</p> <p>Limit redundant reporting requirements on organics, recyclable material, and solid waste as mandated by AB 901</p>

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Source Control <i>(new section)</i>	13	<p>Support statewide or targeted public education programs and initiatives that teach appropriate “What To Flush” practices</p> <p>Support legislation and funding opportunities that aim to decrease the amount of microplastics deposited through the sewer system</p> <p>Support legislation that regulates the disposal of flushable wipes</p> <p>Support legislation and funding mechanisms that reduce the amount of trash, waste, chemicals, and harmful organic material that enter the sewer system</p>
Grant Funding	13	<p>Support regional collaboration and funding for public agencies for food waste co digestion and recycling projects</p>
Security <i>(new section)</i>	14	<p>Support legislation that would create efficiencies around the retention policy of surveillance video for innocuous recordings</p> <p>Support funding for the hardening of essential regional facilities such as water recycling and sewer collection and recycling sites</p> <p>Support legislation and funding for regional emergency management collaboration to protect critical infrastructure</p>

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Public Health	15	Monitor legislation that provides additional occupational safety and health standard requirements for employees, contractors, or subcontractors.
Public Works	15	Support legislation and regulation that allow OCSD to utilize the Best Value Design/Build option for the construction of public works projects.
Special Districts	16	Support alternate methods of public meetings notices that maintain transparency but are more cost efficient and technologically advanced



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