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2016 BILLS OPPOSED OR SUPPORTED BY CNPS

The July 29 Legislative Status Report of CNPS shows that it supports 5 bills and opposes 3 bills that are still alive in the California Legislature. These are bills that have passed the house of origin by the June 3 deadline and are pending before the other chamber. The Legislature has until August 31 to act on them.

CNPS opposes:

AB 1749. It would temporarily extend exemption from CEQA requirements projects for the construction of recycled water treatment facilities and related pipelines.

AB 2029. It would expand and extend until January 1, 2023 exemptions from the requirements of timber harvesting plans for a person engaging in specified forest management activities, including those relating to defensible space.

AB 2438. This bill would, until January 1, 2020, exempt from the requirements of CEQA projects for construction of new pipelines and restoration or replacement of specified existing pipelines.

CNPS supports:

AB 1958. It would temporarily authorize exemption from the requirements of a timber harvesting plan forest activities to conserve California black or Oregon white oak woodlands.

AB 2002. It would require disclosure in writing of ex parte communications with the California Coastal Commission within 7 days of a meeting and prohibit ex parte communications within 24 hours of a meeting.

AB 2243. This bill imposes a tax upon the distribution of medical cannabis flowers and leaves and requires registration with and permitting by the State Board of Equalization.

AB 2444. It would authorize the issuance of bonds in the amount of $2,985,000,000 to finance parks, water, climate, and coastal protection and outdoor access.

SB 1340. It would regulate the fees that can be charged by local agencies in requiring permits for installation of certain automatic irrigation systems under the Water Conservation in Landscaping Act.

The full text of bills and the Legislative Analyst’s summary are available on the California Legislature Information website (Click Link Here).

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