

Spend-Down Timeline

From 2007 to 2009, California experienced three consecutive dry years; in 2008, California faced new restrictions on the operation of the state's major water projects.

California passes a historic legislative package of bills to ensure a reliable and clean water supply and restore the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta.

Jerry Brown elected as Governor, Tom Torlakson elected as Superintendent of Public Instruction.

70 of California state parks slated for closure due to budget cuts.

California adopts Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS).

California increases funding to include \$1.25 B for districts to implement CCSS & NGSS.

Historic California groundwater legislation passed; \$7.5 B Water Bond approved by voters.

Every Student Succeeds Act passes into law.

California Department of Education forms state team to plan for social emotional learning.

Teacher shortage continues across the state, especially in math and science.

California budget provides \$75 M to expand and enhance teacher residencies.

California adopts Common Core State Standards for Mathematics (CCSS-M).

California launches Smarter Balanced Assessments.

State Board of Education launches the California School Dashboard.

Gavin Newsom elected as Governor, Tony Thurmond elected as Superintendent of Public Instruction.

California revises Teaching Performance Expectations.

California adopts an accountability system that includes science, math, and English language arts.

Devastating fires challenge the resiliency of both human and natural systems.

California passes Open and Transparent Water Data Act and enabling legislation for Regional Conservation Investment Strategies.





Drought emergency lifted by Governor Brown after one of the wettest seasons on record.

Los Angeles County passes Measure W to fund stormwater capture (largest local green infrastructure funding measure in U.S.).

Drought. The four-year period between fall 2011 and fall 2015 is the driest in California since record keeping began in 1895.

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<p>2008</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The <u>Migratory Bird Conservation Partnership</u> launches; Foundation investment ultimately totals \$25 M over 12 years. \$2.5 M over five years to the <u>UC Davis Center for Watershed Sciences</u> to inform solutions in the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta. 	<p>2009</p> <p>Start of <u>spend-down</u> strategy work.</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$50 M over eight years for <u>Summit Bechtel Reserve</u>, Boy Scouts of America. Support for water research and planning efforts led by the <u>Public Policy Institute of California</u> and the Resources Legacy Fund. \$1.2 M over four years for the Land Trust Alliance's Western Land Conservation Initiative, including capacity-building and policy efforts. 	<p>2010</p> <p>Spend-down decision communicated to all grantees.</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$2.7 M over five years to Stanford's Water in the West Program to address groundwater management and to define metrics for a sustainable California water system. 	<p>2011</p> <p>Final private equity investment commitment made.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$3.3 M to support math and science in two districts. \$1 M to support the launch of TerraFirma Risk Retention Group, a nonprofit insurance service for land trusts. <u>Water Foundation</u> created in partnership with other philanthropic organizations; Foundation investment in this pooled fund ultimately reaches \$32 M over 9 years. 	<p>2012</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grantee policy coalition forms to advocate for more science in the state's emerging accountability system. Commissioned report finds low levels of philanthropic funding for freshwater efforts in California. \$10 M for the <u>Center for Watershed Sciences</u> to inform California water management and policy. Increased organizational capacity-building support for conservation grantees. 	<p>2013</p> <p>Strategy <u>refresh</u>, programs consolidated.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$53 M for the <u>Math in Common</u> Initiative, 10 school districts, 300 K students; ultimately 7 years. \$25 M over five years to <u>Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy</u> for Presidio Tunnel Tops Parks Project. Foundation joins the California Teachers Association and others, creating Instructional Leadership Corps. Foundation joins others to support the <u>Parks Forward Initiative</u>. Launch of two-year Sustainability Cohort for California land trusts. Effectiveness Team established. 	<p>2014</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$16.4 M over four years to launch the <u>NGSS Early Implementers Initiative</u>, eight school districts, 200 K students. \$21 M over six years to launch the <u>New Generation of Educators Initiative</u>, serving 11 CSU campuses. \$126 M <u>National Character Initiative</u> launched, serving 24 M youth. Program investments incentivize farmers, ranchers to create <u>temporary wildlife habitats</u> on their land. The California Conservation Fund completes its wetland conservation activity, transfers ~4,000 acres of migratory bird habitat to the California Waterfowl Association. 	<p>2015</p> <p>Began de-risking investment portfolio.</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Foundation partners with community foundations across California to <u>build regional capacity</u> to address water challenges. \$9 M to the Public Policy Institute of California to launch the <u>Water Policy Center</u>. Effectiveness Team releases suite of materials on <u>Organizational Resiliency</u>. 	<p>2016</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Character <u>grantee convening</u> and National Academy of Sciences workshop. \$1.3 M initial investment to County Offices of Education to scale promising practices in math and science. Launch of Project Water Data at White House Water Summit. \$6 M over three years to pilot and advance Regional Conservation Investment Strategies. Water Funder Initiative releases <u>Toward Water Sustainability: A Blueprint for the Future</u>. 	<p>2017</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Communities of practice advance Character grantee collaboration. Lessons from Math in Common and NGSS Early Implementers shared statewide to help teachers shift practice.  California Department of Parks and Recreation completes <u>systemwide transformation</u>. <u>Water Foundation</u> launches as an independent organization. 	<p>2018</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Math in Common grants conclude; grantee community of practice continues. Parks California launches as a key milestone in implementation of the Parks Forward recommendations; Foundation provides \$3 M in support. Water Solutions Network launches to support cross-sector, collaborative leadership for California's water future; Foundation provides \$4 M in support. <u>Working with Consultants</u> suite of resources published for use by nonprofits and funders.
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