

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.

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

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

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

California adopts Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS).

Governor Brown balances California's budget.

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 launches Smarter Balanced Assessments.

California revises Teaching Performance Expectations.

Parks Forward Commission recommendations released.

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

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

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

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

State Board of Education launches the California School Dashboard.

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

Devastating fires challenge the resiliency of human and natural systems.

Gavin Newsom elected Governor, Tony Thurmond elected Superintendent of Public Instruction. STEM education named a state priority.

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

L.A. County passes Measure W to fund stormwater capture (largest local green infrastructure measure in U.S.).

Housing, land use, and related equity issues drive California policy discussions.

California passes \$1 B Safe and Affordable Drinking Water Fund.

2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
<p>EXTERNAL</p> <p>Great Recession</p>											
<p>INTERNAL</p> <p>The Migratory Bird Conservation Partnership launches; Foundation investment ultimately totals \$25 M over 12 years.</p> <p>\$2.5 M over five years to the UC Davis Center for Watershed Sciences to inform solutions in the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta.</p>	<p>Start of spend-down strategy work.</p> <p>\$50 M over eight years for Summit Bechtel Reserve, Boy Scouts of America.</p> <p>Support for water research and planning efforts led by the Public Policy Institute of California and the Resources Legacy Fund.</p> <p>\$1.2 M over four years for the Land Trust Alliance's Western Land Conservation Initiative, including capacity-building and policy efforts.</p>	<p>Spend-down decision communicated to all grantees.</p> <p>\$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>	<p>Final private equity investment commitment made.</p> <p>\$3.3 M to support math and science in two districts.</p> <p>\$1 M to support the launch of TerraFirma Risk Retention Group, a nonprofit insurance service for land trusts.</p> <p>Water Foundation created in partnership with other philanthropic organizations; Foundation investment in this pooled fund ultimately reaches \$32 M over nine years.</p>	<p>Grantee policy coalition forms to advocate for more science in the state's emerging accountability system.</p> <p>Commissioned report finds low levels of philanthropic funding for freshwater efforts in California.</p> <p>\$10 M for the Center for Watershed Sciences to inform California water management and policy.</p> <p>Increased organizational capacity-building support for conservation grantees.</p>	<p>Strategy refresh, programs consolidated.</p> <p>\$57 M for the Math in Common Initiative, ten school districts, 300 K students; ultimately seven years.</p> <p>\$25 M over five years to Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy for Presidio Tunnel Tops Parks Project.</p> <p>Foundation joins the California Teachers Association and others, creating Instructional Leadership Corps.</p> <p>Foundation joins others to support the Parks Forward Initiative.</p> <p>Launch of two-year Sustainability Cohort for California land trusts.</p> <p>Effectiveness Team established.</p>	<p>\$25 M for the NGSS Early Implementers Initiative, eight school districts, 200 K students; ultimately seven years.</p> <p>\$27 M for the New Generation of Educators Initiative, 11 California State University campuses; ultimately six years.</p> <p>\$130 M for the National Character Initiative, serving 24 M youth; ultimately six years.</p> <p>Program investments incentivize farmers, ranchers to create temporary wildlife habitats on their land.</p> <p>The California Conservation Fund completes its wetland conservation activity, transfers ~4,000 acres of migratory bird habitat to the California Waterfowl Association.</p>	<p>Began de-risking investment portfolio.</p> <p>Foundation partners with community foundations across California to build regional capacity to address water challenges.</p> <p>\$9 M to the Public Policy Institute of California to launch the Water Policy Center.</p> <p>Effectiveness Team releases suite of materials on Organizational Resiliency.</p>	<p>Character grantee convening and National Academy of Sciences workshop.</p> <p>\$1.3 M initial investment to County Offices of Education to scale promising practices in math and science.</p> <p>Launch of Project Water Data at White House Water Summit.</p> <p>\$6 M over three years to pilot and advance Regional Conservation Investment Strategies.</p> <p>Water Funder Initiative releases <u>Toward Water Sustainability: A Blueprint for the Future</u>.</p>	<p>Communities of practice advance Character grantee collaboration.</p> <p>Lessons from Math in Common and NGSS Early Implementers shared statewide to help teachers shift practice.</p> <p>California Department of Parks and Recreation completes <u>systemwide transformation</u>.</p> <p>Water Foundation launches as an independent organization.</p>	<p>Math in Common grants conclude; grantee community of practice continues.</p> <p>Parks California launches as a key milestone in implementation of the Parks Forward recommendations; Foundation provides \$3 M in support.</p> <p>Water Solutions Network launches to support cross-sector, collaborative leadership for California's water future; Foundation provides \$4 M in support.</p> <p>Working with Consultants suite of resources published for use by nonprofits and funders.</p>	<p>Character grantees launch <u>online campaign: Be a Champion, #InvestInKids</u>.</p> <p>New Generation of Educators grants conclude; <u>California Teacher Residency Lab</u> launches.</p> <p>Foundation funds continuation of <u>California Partnership for Math and Science Education</u>.</p> <p>Water Funder Initiative's <u>Water Campaign</u> attracts new partners, raises \$127 M.</p> <p>Regional Conservation Investment Strategies gain adoption as an innovation in land conservation.</p> <p>Foundation begins publishing its spend-down story, concluding lessons.</p>

