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TO: Coastal Commissioners and Interested Public

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SUBJECT: LEGISLATIVE REPORT FOR FEBRUARY 2007

CONTENTS: This report provides summaries and status of bills that affect the Coastal Commission and California's Coastal Program as well as bills that staff has identified as coastal-related legislation.

**Note: Information contained in this report is accurate as of 2/05/07. Changes in the status of some bills may have occurred between the date this report was prepared and the presentation date.** Current status of any bill may be checked by visiting the California Senate Homepage at [www.sen.ca.gov](http://www.sen.ca.gov). This report can also be accessed through the Commission's World Wide Web Homepage at [www.coastal.ca.gov](http://www.coastal.ca.gov)

## Legislative Calendar

\*Some deadlines may be waived by a majority vote of the Rules Committee

Jan. 1	Statutes take effect
Jan. 3	Legislature reconvenes
Jan. 10	Budget must be submitted by Governor
Jan. 26	Last day to submit bill requests to Office of Legislative Counsel
Feb. 23	Last day for bills to be introduced
Mar. 29	Spring Recess begins
Apr. 9	Legislature reconvenes
May 11	Last day for Policy Committees to hear and report fiscal bills for referral to fiscal committees
May 25	Last day for Policy Committees to meet prior to June 11
June 1	Last day for fiscal committees to hear and report bills to the Floor
June 8	Last day to pass bills from house of origin
June 11	Committee meetings may resume
June 15	Budget must be passed by midnight
July 13	Last day for policy committees to meet and report bills from first house
July 20	Summer Recess begins at the end of session if Budget Bill has been enacted
Aug. 20	Legislature reconvenes
Aug. 31	Last day for Fiscal Committees to meet and report bills to the Floor
Sept. 7	Last day to amend bills on the Floor
Sept. 14	Last day for any bill to be passed. Interim Recess begins on adjournment of session
Oct. 14	Last day for Governor to sign or veto bills passed by the Legislature before Sept. 14

## COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

Committee assignments were made on January 23, 2007. Those committees that are relevant to Coastal Act bills and the Commission's budget are as follows:

### Senate Natural Resources and Water

Darrell Steinberg, Chair

Bob Margett

Dennis Hollingsworth

Chris Kehoe

Mike Machado

Carole Migden

### Assembly Natural Resources

Lonnie Hancock, Chair

Jean Fuller

Greg Aghazarian

Richard Alarcon

Julia Brownley

Rick Keene

John Laird

Lori Saldana

Lois Wolk

### Senate Budget Subcommittee 2

Alan Lowenthal, Chair

Darrell Steinberg

Mark Wyland

### Assembly Budget Subcommittee 3

Ira Ruskin, Chair

Sam Blakeslee

Julia Brownley

Hector De La Torre

Dave Jones

Jim Silva

**PRIORITY LEGISLATION**

**AB 120 (Laird) Budget 2007-2008**

This bill would enact the California State Budget for fiscal year 2007-2008. No substantial changes are proposed to the Coastal Commission's budget

Introduced            1/10/07  
Status                 Referred to Budget Committee

**AB 141 (Saldana) Water quality; California Baja-California border region**

This bill would declare that it is the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation to improve water quality in the state in the California-Baja California border region.

Introduced            1/17/07  
Status                 Assembly First Reading

**AB 258 (Krekorian) Environment; marine debris; plastic discharge**

This bill would add Section 30327 to the Public Resources Code, directing the Coastal Commission to take additional steps, within its existing resources, to address marine debris. These additional steps include but are not limited to the following: Increase public outreach and educations; Coordinate with public agencies, including local governments, to reduce marine debris; Convene a multi-agency task force for the purpose of implementing a statewide effort to reduce marine debris. As amended on 6/14, the bill would require the state and regional water boards to implement best management practices for the control of plastic pellets, powder pellets, and fragments into waters of the state.

Introduced            02/05/07  
Status                 Assembly First Reading

**SB 27 (Simitian) Clean Drinking Water, Water Supply Security, Environmental Improvement Bond Act**

This bill would authorize the issuance of bonds in the amount of \$5,000,000,000 for the purpose of protecting water quality, safety and supply, through projects and acquisitions.

Introduced            12/04/06  
Status                 Referred to Committee on Rules

**SB 54 (Ducheny) Budget 2007-2008**

This bill would enact the California State Budget for fiscal year 2007-2008. No substantial changes are proposed to the Coastal Commission's budget

Introduced            1/10/07  
Status                 Referred to Budget Committee

**SB 157 (Wiggins) Tribal gaming; compact ratification**

This bill would ratify a tribal gaming compact between the State of California, the Big Lagoon Rancheria and the Los Coyotes Band of Cahuilla and Cupena Indians to allow the transfer of rights to develop a casino at Big Lagoon in Humboldt County, to an urban site in the City of Barstow.

Introduced                      01/30/07  
Status                              Senate First Reading  
**Commission Position    Recommend Support**

**SB 10 (Kehoe) Airport land use commissions; San Diego County**

This bill would transfer the authority for coordination of airport land use planning from the current authority, the San Diego Regional Airport Authority, to a consolidated agency comprised of the San Diego Association of Governments, the Metropolitan Transit Development Board, and the North County Transit District.

Introduced                      12/04/06  
Last Amended                  01/31/07  
Status                              Referred to Committee on Local Government.

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