



Legislative Platform and 2025 Legislative Priorities



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PURPOSE OF THE PLATFORM AND PRIORITIES

Legislative Platform

- Foundation for Western's legislative program
- Allows staff to provide timely insight on state and federal legislative issues
- Transparently provides customers information on Western's legislative program and activities

Legislative Priorities

- Provides clear direction to staff on annual legislative priorities
- Gives staff authority to recommend and take legislative positions on behalf of Western
- Incorporates last legislative session(s) and associations' direction

OVERVIEW OF PLATFORM AND PRIORITIES

- Legislative Platform (Platform) is written in plain language but offers detailed description of Western's legislative program.
- Platform provides clear direction to staff under high-level legislative priorities as basis for taking legislative actions.
- Legislative Priorities (Priorities) – both State and Federal—are supporting documents to the Platform.
- Priorities outline specific issues that Western can support or oppose with the permission of the Board.

PROCESS FOR LEGISLATIVE ENGAGEMENT

- General Manager approves all letters, including coalition letters.
- Letters are addressed from General Manager.
- Controversial issues or issues not laid out in the Platform or Priorities will be brought to Community and Government Affairs Committee for direction.
- Legislative Platform will receive annual review with updates only as needed.
- State and Federal Priorities will be updated annually.

2025 TOP LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES

Setting long-term water supply targets and holding California accountable to meeting those targets

Water infrastructure funding and permit streamlining/modernization

Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS)

Solutions for March Air Reserve Base

Water affordability



Questions?

