

INDEPENDENT TECHNICAL PANEL

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The department, in consultation with the California Urban Water Conservation Council, shall convene an independent technical panel to provide information and recommendations to the department and the Legislature on new demand management measures, technologies, and approaches. The panel shall consist of no more than seven members, who shall be selected by the department to reflect a balanced representation of experts. The panel shall have at least one, but no more than two, representatives from each of the following: retail water suppliers, environmental organizations, the business community, wholesale water suppliers, and academia. The panel shall be convened by January 1, 2009, and shall report to the Legislature no later than January 1, 2010, and every five years thereafter. The department shall review the panel report and include in the final report to the Legislature the department's recommendations and comments regarding the panel process and the panel's recommendations.

PANEL SELECTION:

- ▶ 7 Members with 1 but no more than 2 member from each of the following categories:
 - ▶ Retail Water Suppliers
 - ▶ Environmental Organizations
 - ▶ Business Community
 - ▶ Wholesale Water Suppliers
 - ▶ Academia
- ▶ DWR has solicited nominations and is in the process of selecting the panel

- ▶ Panel directed to provide information and recommendations on new demand measures, technologies and approaches
- ▶ DWR will solicit suggestions on measures, technologies and approaches that the panel should consider:
 - ▶ 6-8 meetings over 18 months
 - ▶ Panel is subject to the Bagley-Keene Act
- ▶ Goal is to submit the recommendations report to the legislature with enough time to be useful for the 2015 UWMPs