

**STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD
BOARD MEETING SESSION – OFFICE OF PUBLIC PARTICIPATION
MARCH 3, 2015**

ITEM 8

SUBJECT

UPDATE – THE HUMAN RIGHT TO WATER

DISCUSSION

This Information Item will provide information on progress made in the Water Board's implementation of the Human Right to Water (HRTW).

POLICY ISSUE

AB 685 was signed by the Governor in 2012 and is now Section 106.3 of the Water Code. The law declares that "every human being has the right to safe, clean, affordable, and accessible water adequate for human consumption, cooking, and sanitary purposes."

FISCAL IMPACT

None – Informational Item only.

REGIONAL BOARD IMPACT

None – Informational Item only.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

None – Informational Item only.

<p>The State Water Board's work on HRTW will assist the Water Boards in reaching Goal 6 of the Strategic Plan Update: 2008-2012 to enhance consistency across the Water Boards, on an ongoing basis, to ensure our processes are effective, efficient, and predictable, and to promote fair and equitable application of laws, regulations, policies, and procedures.</p>
