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## RCRC's 2016 Annual Meeting – REGISTER TODAY!!!

RCRC's 2016 Annual Meeting will be held September 28-30 at the Resort at Squaw Creek in Placer County. This year's program will feature experts discussing a wide range of topics of interest to rural counties including:

- In Insider's Perspective on the U.S. Supreme Court;
- Implementation of a Medical Marijuana Regulatory Scheme in California;
- Expert Commentary on the Current Political Landscape; and,
- Navigating the Foster Care System.

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## Legislature Sends \$2 Billion Housing Bond Bill to Governor

This week, the Assembly gave final approval to the No Place Like Home Initiative (NPLH) and moved it forward to the Governor for consideration. Assembly Bill 1618 (Committee on Budget) establishes a \$2 billion bond program for the permanent support housing of California's homeless struggling with mental illness. This bond program will be partially funded through a portion of Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) funding enacted through Proposition 63 in 2004.

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## PILT Legislation Continues to Enjoy Strong Bipartisan Support

This week Senate Bill 1188, authored by Senator Mike McGuire (Healdsburg-D), cleared the Assembly Water Parks and Wildlife Committee on a unanimous vote. Authored in conjunction with 15 other authors and co-authors, SB 1188 is a bipartisan effort to amend Fish and Game Code to restore language that makes State Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILT) payments to counties **required** as opposed to **permissive**.

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## Fairgrounds Receive Attention in the Legislature

Two pieces of legislation regarding fairs/fairgrounds recently received the attention of the State Legislature. First is Assembly Bill 2678, authored by Assembly Member Adam Gray (D-Merced), which gained passage in the Senate Governance & Finance Committee last week. The second is Assembly Concurrent Resolution 186, authored by Assemblyman Frank Bigelow (R-Madera), which declares June 2016 as Fair Appreciation Month.

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## Potentially Problematic Legislation Not Moving Forward

Senate Bill 1317 related to groundwater extraction facilities, and Senate Bill 1396 related to the Inner Coast Range Program, both authored by Senator Lois Wolk, were pulled from the Assembly Water, Parks and Wildlife Committee at the author's request this week, and in all likelihood will not be heard again this year. RCRC's latest joint opposition letter on SB 1317 can be accessed [here](#). RCRC's latest opposition letter on SB 1396 can be accessed [here](#).

## Proposed Changes to CWC WSIP Regulations

During the June 22, 2016 California Water Commission (CWC) meeting the Commission was presented with a summary of proposed changes to the Water Storage Investment

Program (WSIP) Quantification Regulations. The changes were based on numerous comments received over the course of the 45-day comment period related to the simplification and streamlining of the regulations.

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## Legislative Update

RCRC members are encouraged to share letters addressed to state and federal representatives and regulatory bodies with RCRC's Government Affairs staff. Click "Read More" to access information related to the current status of legislation impacting California's rural counties.

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## Regulatory Update

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