

# Government Affairs

## 2017 Impact

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### Comment Letters

Weighed in on affordable housing, parks bonds, cap-and-trade policy and funding, renewable energy and more on behalf of the Sierra Nevada region

\$492m  
funding for  
the Sierra

91

### Legislative Bills

Tracked 87 California legislature bills, 3 Federal bills, and one California Citizen's initiative

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### Agency Efforts

Tracked and commented on state-led workshops, draft plan releases, grant guidelines, and other opportunities pertaining to natural resources, climate change, energy, and infrastructure

### Cap-and-Trade Policy



## Policy Wins



### Parks & Water Bonds

Thanks to the hard work of SBC and many partners, California's Legislature voted to extend California's signature Cap-and-Trade (C&T) program to 2030 with specific benefits to the Sierra-Cascade and other rural regions of the state. The agreement ensures that California will continue its leadership role in reducing harmful carbon emissions while supporting economic growth.

SBC worked diligently with partners to place the latest Parks Bond bill SB5 on the June 2018 ballot. The \$4b act includes \$142m in direct funding for Sierra-based agencies, the largest allocation ever to the Sierra in a state resource bond measure. SBC is also closely following a citizen's initiative, the Meral Water Bond, which could allocate an additional \$350m to the Sierra if it qualifies for the November 2018 ballot.