



The Climate Registry

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The Climate Registry Awarded Contract to Build First-ever Water-Energy Nexus Registry in California

LOS ANGELES, California – May 8, 2018 – **California Environmental Protection Agency** (Cal EPA) has awarded the contract for the Water-Energy Nexus Registry to LA-based NGO, The Climate Registry (TCR). The contract is for three years and follows TCR’s development of [Water-Energy GHG Guidance for Southern California](#).

California’s water use represents a sizeable portion of the state’s energy demand and carbon footprint. About 2% of California’s total energy consumption is related to the extraction, storage, conveyance, treatment and disposal of water, while end-use activities such as heating and cooling account for around 10%. The Water-Energy Nexus Registry will provide a better understanding of the emissions associated with each process in water management and use. In turn, this will help water agencies and businesses in California to make their operations more efficient and reduce their GHG emissions.

“The Water-Energy Nexus Registry will be an excellent planning tool for water agencies and utilities, but also for large water consumers across the state,” said Amy Holm, Programs and Operations Director at The Climate Registry. “The ability to comprehensively assess the relationships among water, energy and greenhouse gas emissions will lead to more efficient investments, more effective programs, and more resilient markets.”

Metropolitan Water District of Southern California looks forward to using The Climate Registry’s tool as part of its commitment to reducing its carbon footprint, said Brad Coffey, group manager of Water Resource Management at Metropolitan.

“We’re already seeing the effects of climate change on our water systems and we can’t sit idly by and wait for things to get worse,” Coffey said. “In addition to adapting to these changes, Metropolitan is working hard to mitigate the effects of climate change by cutting our emissions. The new registry will help us continue these efforts and allow us to be an even greater part of the solution.”

The Water-Energy Nexus Registry is expected to be operational by mid-2019.

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About THE CLIMATE REGISTRY

The Climate Registry (TCR) is a non-profit organization governed by U.S. states and Canadian provinces and territories. TCR designs and operates voluntary and compliance GHG reporting programs globally, and assists organizations in measuring, reporting and verifying (MRV) the carbon in their operations in order to manage and reduce it. TCR also builds GHG MRV capacity in sub-national and national governments, and is spearheading innovative new projects such as the National Energy Efficiency Registry (NEER) and Water Energy Nexus Registry. Find out more at www.theclimateregistry.org and follow on Twitter @theclimatereg.

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