Legislative Update

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Major Issues

- COVID Impacts
- Overall process, i.e. schedule/logistics of session
- New leadership/November election results
- Budget
- Redistricting
Water-related Interim Charges

• Monitoring legislation from last session, including:
  • Flood planning/funding
  • ASR permitting
  • Brackish desal
  • Water planning-interregional cooperation
  • WAM updates
  • Expedited permitting
Water-related Interim Charges (cont’d)

• Regionalization and public and private investment in water infrastructure
• Groundwater/surface water interaction
• Status of water markets in Texas
• River Authority infrastructure
• Groundwater regulatory framework
• Development of future water supplies
Sunset Bill

• Report hearing scheduled for Dec./Jan.
• Decision hearing scheduled for Jan./Feb.
• Expect bill drafting/filing to occur after decision hearing
• Will monitor sunset bill as it moves through the legislative process