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I wanted to make a quick comment to the State Board on the California urban water conservation workshop on the subject of important metrics. I think that measuring wastewater flows can provide really interesting information to inform conservation. First, subtracting wastewater flows from total water supply can provide a first cut at the indoor / outdoor water use question as most of the water going through the sewers is coming from indoor uses. Second, indoor conservation (and increased use of on site graywater systems) has direct ramifications on the flow of the wastewater that would be avaliable for treatment and reuse through DPR or IPR. The conservation slice will cut into the recycled water slice of the local water supply pie and it is important to measure both to see how when and if they will intersect as future flow rates should also affect infrastructure construction.

Thank you, Katie Mika