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Subject: California WaterFix Policy Statement

Dear Water Board members,

I'm writing to you today on behalf of the Torrance Area Chamber of Commerce which represents 756 businesses throughout the Los Angeles region – we strongly support the California WaterFix.

More than 30% of Southern California's clean water supply flows from the Sierra Nevada mountains through the Sacramento - San Joaquin Delta, and that water is vital to our efforts to improve our local supplies. Our region needs this high quality water from Sierra snowpack to replenish groundwater basins and fill up our reservoirs. In order to pursue local water recycling, we need high quality freshwater to blend it with, which requires a reliable conveyance system to move water where it's needed.

California WaterFix updates our state's aging water infrastructure with a modern pipeline built underground so that we can move water more efficiently and reliably while protecting the Delta's endangered fish and wildlife.

This plan has endured nearly a decade of expert review, planning and scientific and environmental analysis by leading experts and is the most viable plan to ensure clean, reliable water supplies while protecting the Delta ecosystem.

We urge you to approve this water diversion permit to move the California WaterFix from planning to construction. We cannot afford to wait.

Thank you for the opportunity to express our ongoing support for CA WaterFix.

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