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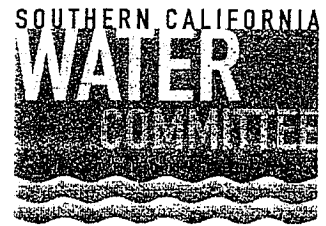
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The Honorable Arnold Schwarzenegger  
Governor of the State of California  
State Capitol  
Sacramento, California 95814

Dear Governor Schwarzenegger:

On behalf of the Southern California Water Committee (SCWC), I want to express our support for the Delta Vision Committee's Implementation Report. The SCWC has long advocated for a long term solution that considers all Delta values and we believe that the Implementation Report provides the correct and necessary approach to achieving lasting solutions for habitat restoration, water conservation, water rights enforcement, and water system improvements in the Delta.

The Southern California Water Committee is a broad based nonprofit, nonpartisan organization that is committed to one purpose - securing adequate, reliable, affordable and quality water supplies for California. In the last twenty-five years, we have represented eight counties, Imperial, Kern, Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, San Diego and Ventura, and their respective cities, water agencies, agricultural entities, and businesses.

For the SCWC, the greatest priority is structural changes in the Delta that resolve the Delta's chronic water supply and environmental problems that stem from historic reliance on through-Delta solutions only. Therefore, completion of the Bay Delta Conservation Plan by the end of 2010 is absolutely essential because it will serve as the framework to pair the necessary ecosystem improvements with changes to the water conveyance system.

You took on an historic endeavor by creating the Delta Vision Committee and Delta Vision Blue Ribbon Task Force. We congratulate all who participated in defining the Delta's problems and identifying necessary changes. We look forward to working together on this comprehensive solution so vital to the Delta and to California.

Very truly yours,

  
Joan Anderson Dym  
Executive Director

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