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The Honorable Adam Gray
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Subject: AB 1242 – SUPPORT

Dear Assemblymember Gray:

On behalf of the Regional Water Authority, I am writing to express our support for your AB 1242. We believe the issues addressed in the bill are important to the successful integrated management of the State's surface and groundwater supplies.

The Regional Water Authority (RWA) is a joint powers authority that represents 22 water suppliers in El Dorado, Placer, Sacramento, Sutter and Yolo Counties. These suppliers provide reliable water supplies to over two million people and the businesses that serve the metropolitan area.

The ongoing drought has highlighted the importance of sustainable groundwater basins, which the Sacramento region has achieved through aggressive water conservation and significant investment in conjunctive use facilities. The redirection of surface supplies under a Water Quality Control Plan could significantly affect the ability to continue this sustainable management by leading to additional groundwater pumping or limiting the availability of water for recharge. For this reason, we support the consideration of the potentially significant impacts on groundwater in development and implementation of a Water Quality Control Plan.

Sincerely,

John Woodling
Executive Director

Cc: Hon. Das Williams, Chair of the Natural Resources Committee