



## OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

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To the Members of the California State Senate:

I am signing Senate Bill 72, which directs the Department of Water Resources (DWR) to modernize the California Water Plan and develop a water supply target to be achieved in 2050 and beyond.

The California Water Plan is the state's primary strategic document guiding the orderly and coordinated control, protection, conservation, development, management, and efficient utilization of the state's water resources. Primarily a technical document focused on water supply development, the plan includes information on various strategies to help meet the water needs of the state.

This bill will require DWR, in its next plan update, to analyze current and future water needs trends, including identifying additional water necessary to sustain public trust resources. This is a welcome opportunity to ensure the next plan update recognizes the impacts of climate change, ensures safe drinking water for all Californians, and reflects statewide, regional, and local planning efforts that include critical infrastructure for California's future – including the Delta Conveyance Project.

Sincerely,

Gavin Newsom

