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Alameda County Water District Board Announces Unanimous Support for the California WaterFix Project
Project will protect critical water supply

Fremont, Calif. — Last night the Alameda County Water District Board of Directors voted unanimously to reiterate support for the California WaterFix project, which will improve the reliability of the State Water Project and protect one of the district's key water supplies.

ACWD relies on the aging State Water Project delivery system for 40 percent of its annual water supply. The California WaterFix project will protect and enhance this supply for future generations, while also providing for restoration and protection of the Delta ecosystem.

"The board's 5 – 0 vote last night demonstrates our continued commitment to this critical project that will help to meet the district's long-term water supply reliability goals in a cost-effective manner," said Paul Sethy, Board President. "I'm pleased that we are able to join in the partnership agreements that will move this historic project forward."

The State Water Project brings water to the Bay Area from the Sierra Nevada mountains and through the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta. In the Bay Area alone, more than 2.5 million customers rely on the project for water. Other local partners committed to the California WaterFix project include the Santa Clara Valley Water District and Zone 7 Water Agency.

The board's vote comes after receiving an update on the business case for the project, including updated costs and a comparison to other long-term water supply alternatives. The district's share of the project cost is estimated to be \$116 million and will ensure continued reliability of state water supplies and protect against future threats of sea level rise, climate change, and seismic risks. The board has received periodic staff briefings on the project, and most recently voted to support the project in October 2017. With the board's action last night, the district continues to be united with many water agencies throughout the state in supporting the California WaterFix.

For more information on the California WaterFix, visit www.californiawaterfix.com.

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