



DELTA CONVEYANCE:

A VITAL PROJECT FOR CALIFORNIA'S FUTURE



The Delta Conveyance project is a landmark investment in the state's aging water infrastructure—and a vital project for California's future. The project will modernize and upgrade a key section of the State Water Project, which serves as the state's primary water delivery system, by constructing a tunnel to move water supplies underneath the fragile Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta ecosystem rather than through it. This state-of-the-art water conveyance solution will ensure that nearly 27 million Californians will have clean, reliable and affordable water for generations to come.

TOWARD WATER SUPPLY RESILIENCE

A key recommendation of Governor Newsom's draft Water Resilience Portfolio, the single-tunnel modern conveyance solution has been studied and discussed for more than a decade.

✓ New environmental review and planning process launched in January 2020

Work completed on previous iterations of this project can be used to streamline the planning process for Delta Conveyance. Among these are:

- Received and addressed input from more than 31,000 individuals and organizations across California
- Initiated contracting for executive director, engineering, right-of-way, real estate and geotechnical services
- Established oversight agencies to finance and construct project

Powerful Coalition, Strong Public Support for modernized Delta Conveyance

Our broad-based coalition recognizes the critical need to invest in the state's aging water delivery system for the benefit of all Californians. And the majority of California voters agree with us.

OUR COALITION



Labor



Business



Water



Public Agencies



Nonprofits



Agriculture

More than **300** of **California's** most respected **statewide** and **regional** organizations stand in support of **Delta Conveyance**.

78% Californians that think this project is important for the future quality of life and economic vitality of the state.

86% Los Angeles-area residents that say this project is important for the future quality of life and economic vitality of the state.

Source: Public Policy Institute of California, March 2018 survey.

Now is the time to demonstrate the strong momentum and breadth of support behind the Delta Conveyance project to our decision-makers and regional stakeholders. Southern California needs Delta Conveyance to survive and thrive.

Modernize and Upgrade: Our Water Delivery System Needs the Delta Conveyance project

California's water delivery system is old, vulnerable and in desperate need of improvement. This will make the state's primary water delivery system more safe, reliable and efficient while simultaneously restoring the Delta environment.

CA's Backbone Water Supply

30 to 80%
COMES FROM
SIERRA NEVADA
snowmelt via critical
STATE WATER PROJECT
infrastructure.

Essential to CA
27 MILLION
CALIFORNIANS
750,000 ACRES
OF FARMLAND
5TH LARGEST
ECONOMY IN THE WORLD.

This project will make our water delivery system more flexible and efficient, allowing us to capture more water during wet years and store it for use during dry years.

RESPONDING TO CLIMATE CHANGE

Climate change is a real threat to California's water reliability—and ultimately our quality of life. Southern California needs a forward-looking water management solution that helps it prepare for and minimize the impacts of climate realities such as recurring droughts, which are likely to worsen in the future, and rising sea levels.

CA's Most Affordable Water Supply Solution

The Delta Conveyance project

is the best and most cost-effective long-term solution for securing a safe and reliable water supply. While local supply projects such as recycling, desalination or stormwater capture are important investments for reducing our reliance on our State Water Project supply, these projects are not a cost-effective replacement for our primary source of water.

An economic analysis conducted on this project's forerunner called California WaterFix found that its cost was significantly less than alternative water supplies like desalination, recycling and stormwater capture.

Stormwater Capture



Desalination



Recycling



WaterFix



Source: Economic Analysis of CA WaterFix, September 2018; Metropolitan Water District of Southern California, Finance & Cost Allocation Paper, August 2017.

The Delta Conveyance project is a cornerstone investment for ratepayers statewide—protecting their most cost-effective source of water and the billions of dollars that have already been invested in the State Water Project to date.

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