



Legislation & Communications Committee

Support for the Association of California Water Agencies “Vision for Our Water Future”

Item 8-2

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Item 8-2 Summary

Subject

Association of California Water Agencies “Vision for Our Water Future”

Purpose

Adopt resolution supporting “Vision for Our Water Future”

Overview



ACWA's Statewide Initiative

- Making water a top priority for new Governor, Legislature, Administration
- Framework for 4 priority actions
 - 1) Lead on Water
 - 2) Protect Affordability
 - 3) Deliver Critical Infrastructure
 - 4) Modernize Water Management
- Promote strengthening water science, data, and technology to support informed decision-making

Overview



Implementation

- Metropolitan is participating in working groups to develop detailed recommendations
 - Protecting affordability
 - Delivering critical infrastructure
 - Modernizing water management
- Collaborating statewide to raise awareness, elevate water and advance the Board-adopted legislative priorities and principles

Overview



Implementation

- 52 agencies signed on, including 6 member agencies
 - Calleguas, Eastern, Las Virgenes, San Diego County Water Authority, Three Valleys and Upper Water
- Seeking to engage and educate gubernatorial candidates prior to election
 - As Metropolitan
 - With Vision partners

Board Options

Option #1: Adopt resolution supporting ACWA's "Vision for Our Water Future" initiative

Option #2: Do not adopt resolution supporting ACWA's "Vision for Our Water Future" initiative

Board Options

Staff Recommendation

- Option #1

