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Statement from SCV Water on Newsom Administration's Conveyance Announcement

Today, as directed by Governor Gavin Newsom, the California Natural Resources Agency announced that the California Department of Water Resources will withdraw plans for a twin tunnel conveyance project and instead advance a single-tunnel solution for the Sacramento-San Joaquin Bay Delta. In response, SCV Water General Manager Matt Stone has issued the following statement.

It is reassuring that Governor Newsom recognizes that the status quo is not an option and that the outdated and vulnerable conveyance system through the Delta must be updated.

While we are aggressively pursuing projects to expand local supplies, like groundwater recharge and recycling, it isn't an 'either-or' option. To ensure a diverse water supply – one that will be resilient through climate change and potential earthquakes across California – we also need a modern conveyance solution through the Delta.

We support the Newsom administration's decision, and look forward to participating in a project that will both meet water reliability needs and minimize impacts to the communities and ecology of the Delta.

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About SCV Water:

The Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency (SCV Water) is a full-service regional water agency located in the Santa Clarita Valley. SCV Water provides water service to approximately 72,000 business and residential customers. It was formed on January 1, 2018 when local water suppliers combined into one integrated, regional water provider. More information can be found at <u>www.YourSCVwater.com</u>

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