

In the Fall of 1998, CALFED will decide on the facilities needed to protect the Bay-Delta and secure a reliable water supply for agricultural, environmental and urban water-users. But the promises of the accords will not be realized if funding is not made available for their full implementation.

THE GOVERNOR'S PROPOSAL: For his FY 1998-99 Budget, the Governor is proposing a \$1.3 billion Water Management general obligation bond to improve and protect California's water supply, safeguard lives and property, and improve the Bay-Delta watershed and ecosystem. The bond includes funding for:

- **Water recycling:** Planning, designing and building water recycling facilities, as well as transporting recycled water from treatment facilities to places of need.
- **Water conservation:** Building infrastructure to conserve the amount of water used by urban and agricultural consumers without reducing productivity or putting consumers at risk.
- **Non-structural storage (conjunctive use):** Developing local opportunities to increase water supplies during droughts, such as pumping into groundwater storage.
- **Watershed management:** Assisting local agencies in implementing comprehensive watershed plans to reduce chronic flooding problems, improve water quality, and curtail environmental damage such as soil erosion.
- **Non-point source pollution:** Upgrading the State Water Resources Control Board's nonpoint source program, which focuses on controlling pollutants from runoff and pesticides. Funding also will support demonstration projects to assist the agricultural community in limiting nonpoint source pollution and help cities and other local jurisdictions to guide effective compliance with state stormwater permits.
- **Flood control:** Improving critical levees -- including the upgraded systems in the Bay Delta, San Joaquin, and Sacramento River watersheds -- to prevent the loss of life, property, or habitat from flooding and reduce the risk to state water supplies from contamination caused by levee failure. Acquiring easements from willing sellers to create floodways along waterways, including coastal rivers and urban streams, that reduce the risk of flooding from levee failure. Covering the state's reimbursement to local governments for cost-shared flood control projects.
- **Safe drinking water:** Funding for the federal-state safe drinking water program.
- **Funding support:** Providing support costs for CALFED.
- **CALFED water facilities:** Pursuing feasibility studies and advance planning and permitting of off-stream surface storage opportunities and other facilities for water quality and supply to be identified in Fall 1998 by CALFED. Construction funds for these facilities would be subject to future bonds.

WATER BOND PROPOSAL

FUNDING COMPONENTS	AMOUNTS
Water Recycling	100
Water Conservation	100
Conjunctive Use	150
Watershed Management	100
Surface Storage	200
Levee Improvements	250
Floodway Easement Acquisition (Coastal Rivers, Urban Streams)	100
Safe Drinking	
Subventions-Obligated*	144
CALFED Support	4
TOTAL RECOMMENDATION	1144

*Total as of 6/30/97.

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