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**NEW ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMS,  
STATE CONTROL OF DELTA WATER QUALITY  
MARK ONE-YEAR ANNIVERSARY OF BAY-DELTA ACCORD**

SACRAMENTO--Exactly one year after signing a historic "peace treaty" in California's water disputes, state and federal officials along with representatives from agricultural, environmental and urban water interests, gathered along the banks of the Sacramento River to announce a variety of new environmental restoration projects and to highlight progress in the continuing collaboration to develop a long-term solution to California's major water problems.

The one-year anniversary of the Bay-Delta Accord also marked another important milestone in California water policy--the start of withdrawal of federal standards and the resumption of full state authority for the water quality of the vital San Francisco Bay/Sacramento-San Joaquin River Delta.

James M. Strock, California Secretary for Environmental Protection, said, "The key to the Accord is the ability of California to set its own water quality standards that will protect our environment and safeguard our economic future. The State Water Resources Control Board, through a creative and inclusive process, is the focal point of this critical mission."

"As I talk to others wrestling with water issues across the Nation, I cite the Accord as a model for other states," noted John Garamendi, Assistant Secretary of the Department of the Interior. "I want to reiterate my continuing support for this consensus process and reaffirm the Department's commitment to work cooperatively to achieve the goals still before you."

According to Bob Perciasepe, Assistant Administrator for the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, "The water quality standards reflect the key values embodied in the Bay-Delta Accord: that greater environmental protection can be compatible with economic development, that federal-state partnership can help to bring about that compatibility--and that the Accord will work if all participants keep the letter and spirit of all their commitments."

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