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METROPOLITAN GENERAL MANAGER'S STATEMENT REGARDING GOV. BROWN'S STATE-OF-THE-STATE ADDRESS

Jeffrey Kightlinger, general manager of the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California, issues the following statement regarding today's State of the State address by Gov. Jerry Brown and his comments inviting constructive and collaborative engagement to complete the Bay Delta Conservation Plan:

“Metropolitan strongly supports Gov. Brown’s call for constructive and collaborative engagement at this critical juncture in the Delta planning process. The Delta faces an ongoing water system/ecosystem crisis that requires the comprehensive approach embodied in this landmark planning process. Both state and federal administrations are demonstrating the leadership necessary to draft conveyance and restoration proposals by this summer and to identify a final plan early next year. This is a historic moment for decisive action to achieve the goals of regaining a reliable water system for California and restoring the Delta.”

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The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California is a cooperative of 26 cities and water agencies serving 19 million people in six counties. The district imports water from the Colorado River and Northern California to supplement local supplies, and helps its members to develop increased water conservation, recycling, storage and other resource-management programs.