

CITY OF MURRIETA
PROCLAMATION

**SUPPORTING THE CALIFORNIA
WATERFIX AND CALIFORNIA ECO-RESTORE PROJECTS**

WHEREAS, the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta (Delta) is a 550,000-acre estuary that is formed by the confluence of the Sacramento and San Joaquin Rivers as they come together and flow into the San Francisco Bay; and

WHEREAS, the Delta serves 25 million Californian residents, farms, and businesses throughout the state and supports the water supply that is key to the California economy; and

WHEREAS, the Delta is not sustainable as it exists today, and changes must be made in order to stabilize and mitigate environmental conditions, secure the levees against potential earthquake and erosion, and protect water supplies from salinity intrusion; and

WHEREAS, as a result of federal court decisions, U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service and National Marine Fisheries Service Biological Opinions, as well as other regulatory constraints to protect native species in the Delta, the SWP has not been able to collect, store, and deliver an estimated volume of 3.6 million acre-feet of water since 2008; and



WHEREAS, the California Department of Water Resources and the state Administration have proposed the California WaterFix and Eco-Restore project as the best framework to approach the management of the Delta's water resources; and

WHEREAS, the California WaterFix and Eco-Restore proposals address the core issues brought forth by environmental groups and water agencies to improve essential ecosystem functions and establish water supply reliability; and

WHEREAS, the California WaterFix is the most cost-effective investment to secure water supply reliability for southern California and the state as a whole, and to do nothing would be far costlier to residents, agriculture and businesses in the state; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the City of Murrieta does hereby support the California WaterFix and California Eco-Restore.

DATED this 19th day of September, 2017


Jonathan Ingram, Mayor Pro Tem

Alan Long, Council Member


Rick Gibbs, Mayor


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