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Mr. Rick Johnson
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Dear Mr. Johnson

Thank you for agreeing to serve as a member of the California Water Plan Update 2018 (Update 2018) Policy Advisory Committee (Policy AC); this letter serves as your formal appointment to the committee. The role of the Policy AC is to provide broad, representative perspectives and advice to the California Department of Water Resources (DWR) in preparing Update 2018. A list of all Policy AC members is enclosed.

About California Water Plan Update 2018

DWR is statutorily responsible for updating the California Water Plan on behalf of State government every five years (http://www.water.ca.gov/waterplan/about_us/about_us.cfm). Convening a Water Plan advisory committee is required by California Water Code (Sections 10004-10013), and is governed by the State open meeting law (Bagley-Keene). The Water Plan's findings and recommendations, developed in collaboration with other State agencies, inform State decision-making and investments for California's water future. Beyond State government, elected officials, federal agencies, tribes, water and resource managers, businesses, academia, stakeholders, and the public have contributed to and use Water Plan information. For the first time, Update 2018 will include a prioritized, 5-year strategy for State investments and an accompanying Finance Plan to accomplish Action 10 of the Governor's California Water Action Plan. Information about Update 2018 will be posted online at:

<http://www.water.ca.gov/waterplan/cwp/update2018/update2018.cfm>

Role of the Policy Advisory Committee

As a Policy AC member, it is essential that you represent your organization and its constituents, and to communicate the findings, intended outcomes and recommendations of Update 2018. The Policy AC is anticipated to meet two to three times per year through December 2018, when the final Water Plan Update 2018 will be submitted to the Brown Administration. DWR intends to manage this engagement process efficiently and responsively to make the best use of your limited and valuable time. In turn, we appreciate your regular attendance at Policy AC meetings, rather than sending an alternate, to respect other members' time and make our process most effective.

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On September 30, DWR staff sent you information about a Policy AC Webinar that we have scheduled on October 11 and 14 (same agenda for both sessions) to review the committee's charge, work plan, and schedule, and to introduce an interactive survey. The Inaugural Meeting of the Policy AC is scheduled for the morning of Tuesday,

October 25, 2016, at the California Auto Museum in Sacramento, preceding the 2016 Water Plan Plenary Meeting that afternoon at the same location. The annual Plenary Meeting is a broader gathering of the Water Plan's stakeholder community that will be convened again in late summer or fall of 2017 and 2018.

I appreciate and thank you in advance for participating in this important strategic water planning, as a member of the Update 2018 Policy Advisory Committee, in support of the Administration's initiatives for a more sustainable water future. I look forward to seeing you on October 25. For additional information, please contact Paul Massera, DWR's Water Plan Program Manager, at (916) 651-9614 or Paul.Massera@water.ca.gov.

Sincerely,



Mark W. Cowin
Director

Enclosure

**Policy Advisory Committee
California Water Plan Update 2018**

Organization	Invited Member
Association of California Water Agencies (ACWA)	Tim Quinn
California Association of Resource Conservation Districts (CARCD)	Karen Buhr
California Chamber of Commerce	Robert MacLean
California Council on Science and Technology (CCST)	Amber Mace
California Farm Bureau Federation (CFBF)	Paul Wenger
California Forward (CAFWD)	Fred Silva
California State Association of Counties (CSAC)	Dianne Dillon
California Urban Water Agencies (CUWA)	Erin Mackey
California Water Association (CWA)	Jack Hawks
California Water Foundation (CWF)	Wade Crowfoot
Environmental Defense Fund (EDF)	Maurice Hall
Environmental Justice Coalition for Water (EJCW)	Conner Everts
Floodplain Management Association (FMA)	Mark Seits
Fresno Irrigation District	Gary Serrato
Groundwater Resources Association (GRA)	Chris Petersen
Imperial Irrigation District (IID)	Norma Galindo
Inland Empire Utilities Agency (IEUA)	Joe Grindstaff
League of California Cities	Chris McKenzie
Los Angeles County Department of Public Works (DPW)	Mark Pestrella
Northern California Water Association (NCWA)	David Guy
Mountain Counties Water Resources Association (MCWRA)	John Kingsbury
Metropolitan Water District of Southern California (MWDSC)	Jeff Knightlinger
Public Policy Institute of California (PPIC)	Ellen Hanak
Rural County Representatives of California (RCRC)	Nick Konovaloff
Sacramento Area Flood Control Agency	Rick Johnson
Santa Clara Valley Water District (SCVWD)	Norma Camacho
Sonoma County Water Agency (SCWA)	Grant Davis
The Nature Conservancy (TNC)	Jay Ziegler
Western Growers	Tom Nassif