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The California Water Plan 2028 Advisory Committee  
California Department of Water Resources  
715 P Street  
Sacramento, CA 95814

**RE: Public Comment for Advisory Committee Meeting, May 13 and 14, 2026**

Dear Advisory Committee:

The Sacramento Area Sewer District (SacSewer) is pleased to provide comments for your inaugural meeting. We understand the Advisory Committee (AC) will lead in providing recommendations to the California Department of Water Resources (DWR) that will inform the development of the California Water Plan (CWP). Implementation of Senate Bill 72 (Caballero, 2025) is a critical step toward transparent and engaging planning for California's precious water resources. SacSewer is very supportive of this effort and strongly believes the State should prioritize strategies, projects, and policies that strengthen local water supply and support recycled water infrastructure.

Strengthening local water supply through sustainable groundwater management is essential in SacSewer's service area and for California's statewide water sustainability efforts. Our Harvest Water project is California's largest agricultural water recycling effort, designed to provide up to 50,000 acre-feet (16 billion gallons) of drought-resistant water annually to farms and habitats in southern Sacramento County by 2027. Harvest Water will reduce reliance on groundwater, allow for aquifer recovery, and enhance riparian and wetland habitats.

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SacSewer is a partner and leader in protecting California's Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta (Delta); it is a responsibility we take seriously. We are proud to help safeguard water quality, support aquatic ecosystems, and serve millions across California through advanced treatment and environmental stewardship. As part of serving more than 1.6 million people every day, we discharge treated water into the heart of the Delta. We provide sewage collection, treatment, and resource recovery services to a significant portion of the Sacramento Region. We are the second largest sewage collection utility in California, and we own and operate the second largest water resource recovery facility of its kind in the nation, the EchoWater Resource Recovery Facility (EchoWater Facility).

SacSewer appreciates your leadership in developing the CWP, evaluating a range of water supply options for the state, and protecting California's Delta. We look forward to working with you as the CWP moves through its public and transparent process. Please contact Jofil Borja, Environmental Legislative and Regulatory Affairs Manager/Harvest Water Administrative Program Management Office Manager at [borjaj@sacsewer.com](mailto:borjaj@sacsewer.com) for any additional information regarding SacSewer and our extensive efforts to be fellow stewards of the Delta.

Sincerely,

Signed by:  
  
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Mike Huot  
Director of Policy and Planning  
Sacramento Area Sewer District

cc: California Water Commission Members