

BEFORE THE
COUNCIL OF FRESNO COUNTY GOVERNMENTS
RESOLUTION NO. 2010-09

In the Matter of:)
)
SUPPORT OF THE SAFE,)
CLEAN, AND RELIABLE)
DRINKING WATER SUPPLY)
ACT OF 2010)
_____)

RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT
FOR THE SAFE, CLEAN, AND
RELIABLE DRINKING WATER
SUPPLY ACT OF 2010 TO BE
PLACED ON THE NOV 2010
BALLOT IN CALIFORNIA

WHEREAS, California's water system is outdated and straining to meet the needs of its residents, farms, businesses and environment. Designed 30 years ago to serve 16 million residents, our water system now serves more than 38 million; and

WHEREAS, the challenges facing our water system are significant: severely limited supplies of water; rivers, lakes, streams, groundwater and other sources of drinking water threatened with contamination; water infrastructure - including levees, waterways and pipes - aging and at risk of failure; entire species of fish and wildlife crashing and our environment is at risk; and the Delta - which provides water to 25 million Californians, 2.5 million acres of farms, hundreds of miles of manmade levees that transport fresh water, and hundreds of species of wildlife - is at risk of catastrophic failure; and

WHEREAS, unless action is taken, experts warn that our state will face continued water shortages, the potential for catastrophic failure of our water delivery system, and environmental collapse in areas vital to drinking water and wildlife. The water supply crisis will also continue to harm our state's economy by slowing job creation, limiting agricultural production, and stalling economic growth; and

WHEREAS, immediate investments are needed to repair and upgrade our network of waterways, levees and other water infrastructure, clean up our sources of drinking water, increase local supplies, expand conservation efforts, and restore key ecosystems; and

WHEREAS, *The Safe, Clean, and Reliable Drinking Water Supply Act of 2010* is a \$11.14 billion bond on the November 2010 ballot that would provide funding to repair what's broken with California's water system; and

WHEREAS, voter approval of this measure will provide funding for programs throughout the state to increase water supply and reliability, address ecological problems in the Delta, add operational flexibility to the state's water storage and delivery system, and expand water recycling and conservation; and

WHEREAS, FRESNO COUNTY will specifically benefit from this bond through funding to enhance local water supply and reliability, to clean up contaminated water supplies, to improve the physical infrastructure of our water system, and to fund environmental and species restorations and protections.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Fresno COG formally supports the *Safe, Clean and Reliable Drinking Water Supply Act of 2010* on the November ballot.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that we hereby authorize the listing of Fresno COG in support of the *Safe, Clean and Reliable Drinking Water Supply Act of 2010* and instruct staff to fax a copy of this resolution to campaign offices at (818) 760-2202.

THE FOREGOING RESOLUTION was passed and adopted by the Council of Fresno County Governments this ____ day of _____, 2010.

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

ATTEST:

Signed: _____
Trinidad M. Rodriguez, Chairman

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a resolution of the Council of Fresno County Governments duly adopted at a regular meeting thereof held on the ____ day of _____, 2010.

Signed: _____
Tony Boren, Executive Director