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TO: Interested Persons

FROM: California Water Institute  
California State University-Fresno

RE: San Joaquin Valley Integrated Regional Water Management Plan Framework

Please find enclosed a copy of the recently completed San Joaquin Valley Integrated Regional Water Management Plan Framework. The Framework is the result of two years work by the California Partnership for the San Joaquin Valley Water Policy Working Group and the Water Plan Advisory Committee. Individuals, firms and/or agencies who contributed their valuable time are listed on page 16 of the enclosed report. The Framework would not have been completed without their support.

California water policy stands at a pivotal point in the state's history with the recent passing of water legislation and a proposed water bond to enable needed change. Water is the lifeblood of California's economy and our collective interest is to work together to ensure that future leaders have the tools-at-hand to implement a sustainable water policy.

Developing an Integrated Regional Water Management Plan (IRWMP) across jurisdictional lines and geographic boundaries provides an unparalleled opportunity to secure our water future. The California Department of Water Resources (DWR) is actively promoting and supporting IRWMP efforts throughout California. The overriding goal of the San Joaquin Valley Water Plan Framework is to afford cities, counties and local agencies an effective springboard for collaboration on water policy issues throughout the 8-county area.

It is critical that all jurisdictions work proactively to determine what is best for their area, for the hydrologic basin and for the San Joaquin Valley as a whole. We must also identify appropriate projects that enhance not only the local area, but can provide a wider benefit to the region.

The California Water Institute and the California State University system are committed to delivering on the promise of an Integrated Regional Water Management Plan for the San Joaquin Valley.

Cordially,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'David L. Zoldoske'.

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