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DWR Forms Partnership for Design and Construction of WaterFix

SACRAMENTO – Today the Department of Water Resources (DWR) entered into a Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement with the Delta Conveyance Design and Construction Authority (DCA), forming a partnership for the design and construction of California WaterFix.

“This agreement signals a key step toward implementation of WaterFix, and this partnership represents a true collaboration in the best interests of California,” said DWR Director Karla Nemeth. “We look forward to working with the DCA to finalize permitting and design, and to safely and efficiently build WaterFix.”

The DCA is a public agency composed of local public water agencies who are investing in California WaterFix, a project to upgrade the state’s outdated water delivery system to maintain a reliable source of water for 27 million Californians and more than 3 million acres of farmland while restoring more natural flow conditions in the Delta.

The DCA will pool the expertise and resources available from DWR, public water agencies, and consultants to safely and transparently design, construct and deliver the project on time and budget, in accordance with approved DWR specifications.

DWR will oversee the work of the DCA, and will own and operate the project as part of the State Water Project once construction is complete.

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For more information about California WaterFix, visit: www.CaliforniaWaterFix.com

For more information about the next steps in design and construction, including a memo from the DWR Director, a link to the Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement, and a fact sheet, visit: <https://www.californiawaterfix.com/design-construction/>

For the press release issued by the Delta Conveyance Design and Construction Joint Powers Authority, visit: <http://www.dcdca.org/pdf/DCA-InauguralMeeting-PressRelease-5-18-18.pdf>