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## METROPOLITAN ISSUES STATEMENT ON CALIFORNIA TREASURER'S REPORT ON BAY DELTA CONSERVATION PLAN AFFORDABILITY AND FINANCING

*Jeffrey Kightlinger, general manager of the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California, issues the following statement on today's release of the California State Treasurer's report on Bay Delta Conservation Plan Affordability and Financing that was requested by the state Natural Resources Agency:*

“Metropolitan is encouraged that this independent review finds that BDCP is a prudent investment. The Treasurer's report is consistent with our own estimates, which translate BDCP costs into today's dollars. Whether we pay now or in the future, it is important to remember that California faces unacceptable risks to our water supply and the economy if we fail to take comprehensive action in the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta.”

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*The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California is a cooperative of 26 cities and water agencies serving nearly 19 million people in six counties. The district imports water from the Colorado River and Northern California to supplement local supplies, and helps its members to develop increased water conservation, recycling, storage and other resource-management programs.*