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Dry Year Adds to ‘Perfect Storm’ of Challenges, ACWA Says *Water Restrictions, Lost Jobs Underscore Need for Comprehensive Solution*

Sacramento — Association of California Water Agencies (ACWA) Executive Director Timothy Quinn issued the following statement regarding today’s snowpack survey results.

“Today’s snow measurements confirm that California is in for another dry year. Coming on the heels of a dry 2007 and court-ordered restrictions on water deliveries for much of the state, it looks like we are facing a perfect storm of challenges that local water agencies will be hard-pressed to navigate this year.

“For the first time in a long time, California is losing jobs and income because our water supply system is inadequate. These impacts are tangible evidence of the need for a comprehensive water solution that invests in the sustainability of our system so we will have the water we need for our economy and the environment.

“The solution has to improve local water supply reliability and the environmental integrity of the system to provide the right temperatures and flows for species without leaving communities high and dry. Getting there requires investments in water storage and facilities that can safely deliver water around the Delta.”

ACWA is a statewide association of public agencies whose 450 members are responsible for about 90% of the water delivered in California. For more information, visit www.acwa.com.

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