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## Dear Representative Napolitano:

The Sacramento Regional Water Authority (RWA), representing the Sacramento, California region's water agencies and related communities writes to express our support of the Water Resources Investment and Improvement Act (H.R. 1015). RWA is dedicated to developing sustainable and resilient water supply projects that can help ensure safe and reliable water supplies into the future. H.R. 1015 would enhance our efforts to achieve this goal.

Your leadership to ensure that Title XVI is authorized at sufficient levels to help address the water security needs in California and the West is deeply appreciated. As an organization that represents the water needs of more than two million citizens, providing a strong federal commitment to recycling will help to maintain economic growth, help provide water for the environment and support our efforts to diversify our portfolio of water supply sources. Of special note, the opportunity to develop recycled water supplies in our region could support RWA's ongoing development of its groundwater banking project that the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation recently selected to receive FY21 funding assistance under the WIIN Act.

Again, RWA is grateful for your commitment to ensure a robust federal partnership with local water agencies. As you proceed to consider H.R. 1015 and act on the overall priority to pass water infrastructure legislation, RWA looks forward to working with you.

If you have any questions, please contact Ryan Ojakian, Legislative and Regulatory Affairs Manager at (916) 967-7692.

Sincerely,

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