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Sacramento, CA – Governor Gavin Newsom delivered his first State of the State address as the 40th governor of California. Governor Newsom addressed lawmakers and all Californians as he laid out his vision for the next four years and support for a forward-thinking, portfolio approach to water supply management that includes upgrading infrastructure to improve conveyance and investing in local supply projects to address the impacts of climate change and population growth — while protecting the Delta ecosystems.

"We agree with the Governor: the status quo is not an option and we must move past the old binaries that have dominated water conversations for decades. We are grateful that Gov. Newsom recognizes the need to invest in infrastructure to move water throughout the state, diversify California's water supply and protect the environment. We look forward to turning shovels on this much-needed project in partnership with this Administration."

Jennifer Pierre General Manager State Water Contractors

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