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California Water Commission
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Re: Support, Removal of WSIP Cap and Reallocation to Sites Reservoir

Dear Commission Members:

The Northern California Water Association (NCWA) strongly supports the removal of the dollar cap regulation on early funding from the current Water Storage Investment Program (WSIP), and we urge the Commission to reallocate funding to the Sites Reservoir Project. This action by the Commission would allow the Sites Project Authority to immediately use these funds to advance construction in the next several years.

Sites Reservoir will be a dramatic enhancement to California's water system and the first storage project in California with a dedicated supply for the environment. Sites Reservoir will unify California water management--adding value to our water system by providing multiple benefits that will help California: 1) adapt to the uncertainties created by a changing climate; 2) provide a water asset to help serve water during drier years; and 3) improve functional ecology in this special region. Importantly, Sites is an innovative offstream reservoir that will provide backbone infrastructure that will be operated in tandem with various nature-based solutions to serve multiple benefits throughout the region and state.

As you know, Sites Reservoir has enthusiastic support in Northern California and throughout California because of the vast benefits that stretch up and down the state to farms, cities and rural communities, businesses, and homes.

We appreciate your consideration for this important change.

Sincerely yours,

David J. Guy
President



Sourcing a vibrant future through responsible management of water—the essential resource that millions of people, thousands of farms, and our communities all depend upon, while also nourishing the millions of birds and fish that live in this region.