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Senator Anna Caballero California State Senate State Capitol, CA 95814

## RE: SB 366 (Caballero) California Water Plan: Long-Term Water Supply Targets

Dear Senator Caballero:

On behalf of WateReuse California, I am writing in support of SB 366 (Caballero). The bill would establish long-term water supply targets for the State to achieve, require a financing plan, and would update the requirement that state agencies develop a plan to achieve those targets, in consultation with local water agencies, wastewater service providers and other stakeholders.

There is an urgent need for California to develop targets that will complement and amplify Governor Newsom's Water Supply Strategy and extend beyond any single Administration. Given the extreme climate impacts of the 21st century, the anticipated reductions from existing water resources, and the controls on the use of groundwater, California needs additional water supply.

SB 366 will do the following:

- Transform water management in California taking us from a perpetual state of supply vulnerability to a reliable and sufficient water supply that is adequate for all Californians.
- Preserve the California way of life, supplying water to our homes and communities, habitat and environment, recreation and tourism, and business and economic success.
- Support economic vitality for all businesses, from restaurants to technology companies, and employers that depend on a reliable water supply.
- Fulfill the generational responsibility to develop a water system that will adapt to changes in the environment and allow the state to thrive now and for future generations.

WateReuse California urges the Senate Natural Resources and Water Committee to support SB 366 and take this important step toward securing the state's water future.

Sincerely,

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