



# The Central Coast's Water Security Can't Wait

## Support California WaterFix - the Plan to Repair California's Aging Water Distribution System to Protect Central Coast Water Reliability

### Problem

The Central Coast relies heavily on California's main water distribution system, which brings water 400 miles away from the Sierra Nevada Mountains through a system of aging levees, canals and pipes in the north, down to the Coastal branch aqueduct where it finally reaches homes, farms and businesses in our region.

But this main water distribution system of levees, aqueducts and pipes is outdated and at risk of collapse in the event of a major earthquake or natural disaster, and could cut off water supplies for more than a year and cost our economy billions of dollars. Without action to fix this outdated system, Central Coast water supplies are at risk.



### Solution

The plan to repair California's water distribution system, known as California WaterFix, will address the severe vulnerabilities in our water infrastructure and secure our local water supplies. This plan was drafted after nearly a decade of extensive scientific review and analysis by the state's leading water experts and conservationists. It has received input from scores of leading scientists and engineers, and has undergone unprecedented public review. It would:

- Protect water supplies by delivering them through a modern water pipeline rather than relying solely on today's old, deteriorating levees.
- Increase the safety of our water system by fixing aging infrastructure and building a water delivery system that is able to better protect water supplies during earthquakes, floods and natural disasters.
- Improve the ability to move and store water so we can capture it for dry years.
- Restore more natural water flows in rivers and streams to reduce impacts on endangered fish and wildlife.

The quality of life and economic prosperity of our region depend on a reliable, secure water supply. We must fix our aging, deteriorating main water distribution system before it's too late.

To learn more about how the California WaterFix will benefit our region and to join on to support, visit <http://watersecurityca.com/central-coast/>.