

Public Caucus + Water Caucus Interests



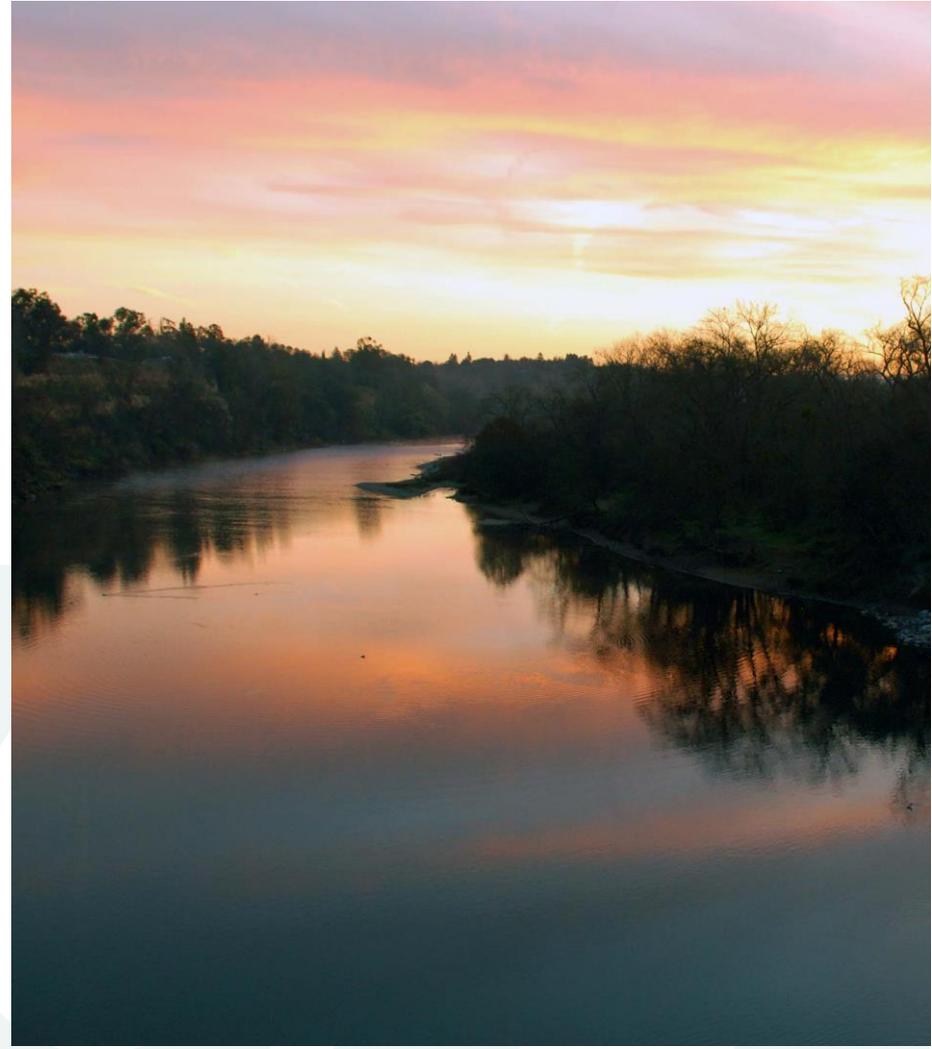
Public Caucus and Water Caucus

“The members of the Water Caucus and Public Caucus desire to maintain the effectiveness, credibility, transparency and value of the Water Forum as a voice of and advocate for its regional environmental, business, public and water management stakeholders in furtherance of the two co-equal objectives of ensuring sufficient and reliable long-term water supplies while promoting, enhancing, and preserving the fishery, wildlife, recreational, and aesthetic values of the lower American River. There have been many successes with the Water Forum, Successor Effort and Habitat Management Element. We should strive to build on those successes.”



Partnership

1. Continue to partner with the Environmental Caucus as environmental stewards of the lower American River. Our long-term water supply reliability is interdependent with being environmental stewards through the Water Forum.



Serving Customers

2. Maintain sufficient water supply and supply reliability for existing and future customers.



3. Ensure customer access to high quality water at a reasonable cost.



Water Use Efficiency

5. Promote efficient use of water by our customers and others.



Stretching Limited Resources

6. Make the best use of limited resources by recognizing regulatory drivers and how they impact existing and future actions and priorities.

Although we are open to other caucus' concerns related to elements of the Water Forum Agreement that are now governed by policies, programs, and mandates established by State law, the interests of the Water and Public Caucuses are: (1) to not engage in time consuming discussions and debates over such elements; (2) not expend limited resources duplicating them; and (3) maintaining the value and progress of investments already made in compliance with them.



Relationship with Reclamation

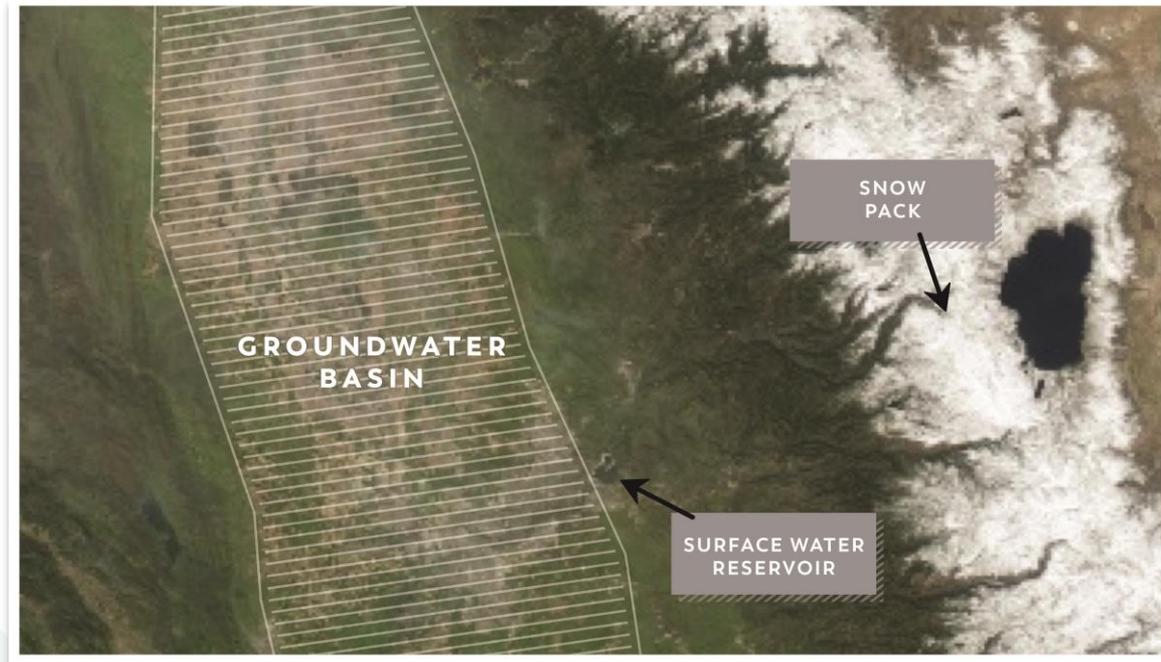
7. In order to enhance Water Forum effectiveness in influencing Folsom operations and habitat restoration/management of the lower American River, maintain and enhance our collaborative relationship with the Bureau of Reclamation.



8. Protect the health, safety and welfare of our residents.



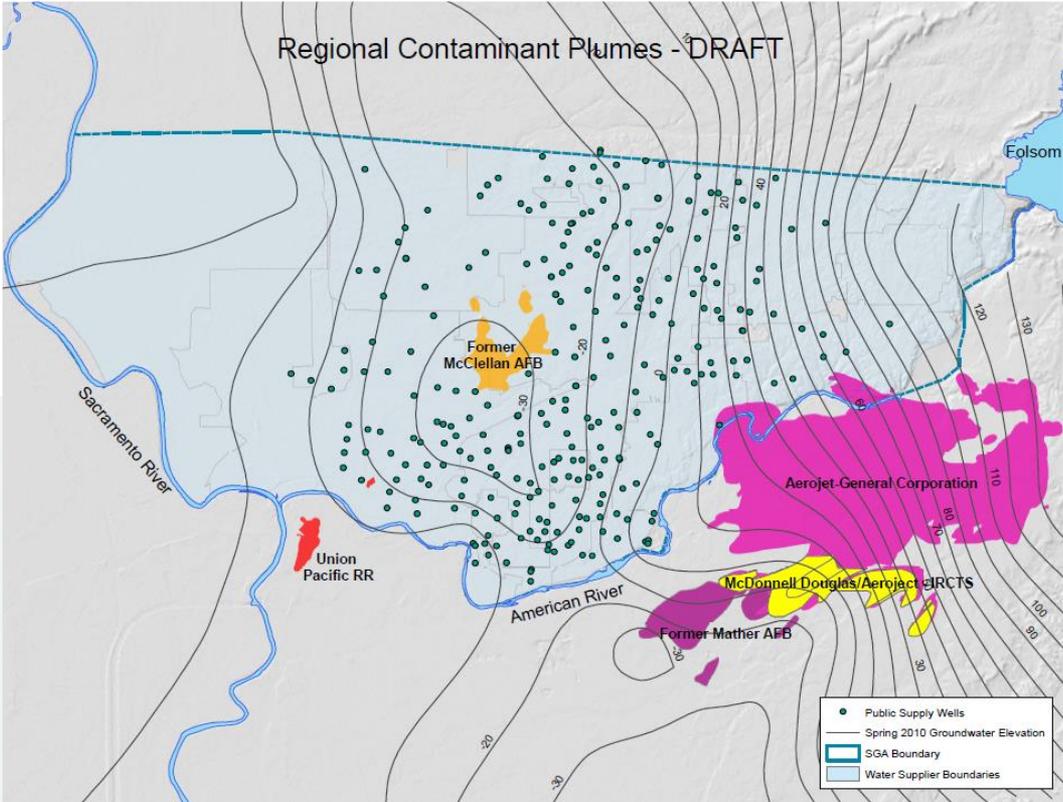
9. Increase water supply resiliency and prepare for the variable hydrologic conditions and droughts that are expected to be exacerbated by climate change.



Groundwater bank is an example of a project to help achieve this

Protecting Water Quality

10. Protect groundwater and surface water quality.



Be a part of the solution

11. Recognizing that the region's water supply reliability benefits from the State having a reliable water supply, consider participating in solutions to assist the State to solve its water challenges.



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12. Maintain local control over water management and operational flexibility.



QUESTIONS?

