

## **WR P1 Reduce Reliance on the Delta and Improve Regional Self-Reliance**

The policy of the State of California is to reduce reliance on the Delta in meeting future water supply needs and that each region that depends on water from the Delta watershed shall improve its regional self-reliance. Success in achieving the statewide policy of reduced reliance on the Delta and improving regional self-reliance will be demonstrated through a significant reduction in the amount of water used, or in the percentage of water used, from the Delta watershed.

The intent of WRP1 is to ensure that urban and agricultural water suppliers are taking appropriate actions to contribute to the achievement of reduced reliance on the Delta by complying with the statutory requirements of SB X7 7 and other water management laws, and by implementing programs and projects which are locally cost effective and technologically feasible for urban and agricultural water suppliers to increase water use efficiency and conservation and diversify local water supply portfolios.

WR P1: Water shall not be exported from, transferred through or used in the Delta if: (1) one or more water suppliers that would receive water as a result of the export, transfer or use have failed to adequately contribute to reduced reliance on the Delta and improved regional self-reliance consistent with the three requirements stated below; (2) that failure has significantly caused the need for the export, transfer or use; and (3) the export, transfer or use would have a significant adverse environmental impact in the Delta.

For the purpose of Water Code Section 85057.5, this policy covers a proposed action to export water from, transfer water through, or use water in the Delta.

Water suppliers that have done all of the following are contributing to reduced reliance on the Delta and improved regional self-reliance and are therefore consistent with WR P1:

- 1) Completed a current Urban or Agricultural Water Management Plan which has been reviewed by DWR for compliance with the applicable requirements of Water Code Division 6, Parts 2.55, 2.6, and 2.8;
- 2) Identified, evaluated and commenced implementation, consistent with the implementation schedule set forth in the management plan, of all programs and projects that are locally cost effective and technically feasible which reduce reliance on the Delta and,
- 3) Included in the plan, commencing in 2015, the expected outcome for measurable reduction in Delta reliance and improvement in regional self reliance.

| Programs and projects ~~to be evaluated~~ [that reduce reliance](#) could include, but are not limited to, improvements in water use efficiency, water recycling, stormwater capture and use, advanced water technologies, conjunctive use projects, local and regional

water supply projects, and improved regional coordination of local and regional water supply efforts.