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August 4, 2014

Board of Supervisors County of El Dorado 330 Fair Lane Placerville, CA 95667

Re: Presentation to the Board of Supervisors

This is to request the opportunity to introduce the El Dorado County Board of Supervisors to the Mountain Counties Water Resources Association (MCWRA) and to request the Board consider adoption of the North State Water Alliance (NSWA) Policy Principles. The NSWA mission is to promote responsible statewide water solutions that protect the economy, environment and quality of life for the north state and for all Californians

The NSWA, formed by five organizations, is a partnership of cities, counties, water providers, business, and community groups in northern California. Common geography and interests have brought the NSWA together to work closely on water issues.

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The five founding NSWA members include:

<u>Mountain Counties Water Resources Association</u> - Representing water interests in all or a portion of 15 California counties in the Sierra Nevada and foothills.

<u>Regional Water Authority</u> - Representing the water suppliers that serve two million customers in the greater Sacramento Metropolitan Area.

<u>Northern California Water Association</u> - Representing more than sixty water suppliers and local governments that provide water for farms, wildlife refuges, rural communities and fisheries throughout the Sacramento Valley.

<u>Sacramento Metro Chamber of Commerce</u> - California's second-largest chamber of commerce, representing nearly 2,200 businesses in the greater Sacramento region. <u>Sacramento Area Council of Governments</u> - Representing 22 cities and six counties in northern California.

## **Executive Members**

Amador Water Agency (AWA)

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El Dorado County Water Agency (EDCWA)

El Dorado Irrigation District (EID)

Foresthill Public Utility District (FPUD)

Grizzly Flats Community Services District (GFCSD)

Georgetown Divide Public Utility District (GDPUD)

Nevada Irrigation District (NID)

Placer County Water Agency (PCWA)

South Tahoe Public Utility District (STPUD)

Tuolumne Utilities District (TUD)

Twain Harte Community Services District (THCSD) The NSWA's five partnering organizations are calling on cities, counties, businesses and water agencies to put the attached North State Water Alliance Principles before boards and councils for consideration of adoption as a show of unity for water policy issues that are important for our region and its economy.

The MCWRA Board of Directors adopted, by resolution, the NSWA Principles. El Dorado County organizations that are Executive members of MCWRA include: El Dorado County Water Agency, El Dorado Irrigation District, Georgetown Divide Public Utilities District, Grizzly Flat Community Services District, and South Tahoe Public Utilities District.

Thank you for your consideration. I can be reached at 530.957.7879.

Sincerely,

John Kingsbury, Executive Director

Mountain Counties Water Resources Association