

THE STATE WATER PROJECT

An expansive system of storage reservoirs and lakes, pipelines and canals, the State Water Project (SWP) allows public water agencies to **capture, store and deliver one of California's cleanest and most cost-effective water supplies.**

The California Department of Water Resources operates and maintains the system, allowing the State Water Contractors' 27 member agencies to use SWP supplies **to serve Californians from the Bay Area through the Central Valley to Southern California.**

SUPPLYING CALIFORNIA'S WATER

WATER FROM THE STATE WATER PROJECT PROVIDES:



DRINKING WATER FOR
26 MILLION



IRRIGATION WATER FOR CALIFORNIA'S FARMS



SUPPORT FOR CALIFORNIA'S
\$2.5 TRILLION ECONOMY



A BASELINE SUPPLY FOR
RECYCLED WATER
+ GROUNDWATER REPLENISHMENT

HOW THE STATE WATER PROJECT WORKS:

- The vast majority of California's water comes from the Sierra Nevada Mountains where **RAINFALL + SNOWMELT RUN OFF** mountain peaks to fill lakes, rivers and streams.
- **FRESHWATER TRAVELS WEST** toward the San Francisco Bay, forming the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta, the largest estuary in the West.
- Supplies are currently transported through the southern Delta and delivered via **701 MILES OF CANALS + PIPELINES** for use by
- **CITIES, FARMS + PEOPLE** throughout the state.



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