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The Honorable Arnold Schwarzenegger

Governor of California

Dear Governor Schwarzenegger; Male de As the Chairm As the Chairman and a member of the Assembly Water, Parks and Wildlife Committee, we would like to draw your attention to a recent study by researchers at the University of California at Davis that explores the idea of restoring the Hetch Hetchy Valley while ensuring that San Francisco and other users do not suffer any loss of water or power. The study shows that this can be accomplished with the use of existing reservoirs.

We feel that this idea is worthy of review by the State of California. California, and the nation, could recover one of its natural jewels, now a forgotten and seldom visited corner of Yosemite National Park. Meanwhile, San Francisco could continue to receive its water supply from the same system, with only a relatively minor investment.

We respectfully request that you instruct the Secretary of the Resources Agency, Mike Chrisman, to require the Department of Water Resources to review the U. C. Davis study, to study the feasibility of restoring the Hetch Hetchy Valley, and outline the necessary actions the state must take to achieve this restoration.

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Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,

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