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The Honorable Ken Calvert, Chair
House Water and Power Subcommittee
1522 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Subject: City of La La Verne Support for HR 2828

Dear Chairman Calvert,

The City of La Verne is pleased to support the HR 2828 legislation to reauthorize the CALFED Bay-Delta Program and address water challenges across the West. The CALFED Program is a chance for California to make long-term, statewide improvements to water supply and convey infrastructure while restoring the environment and helping recover threatened species.

We applaud the concepts contained in HR 2828, which includes both an authorization of CALFED and a competitive grants program for projects like desalination and water recycling. Moving forward with a grants program for desalination and recycling will complement the CALFED Program and build upon the proven successes of these projects. The CALFED Bay-Delta Program has been held up as the model for resolving conflicts in California and throughout the West where water issues are so critical. The program, however, can never realize its potential without authorization and funding.

If you should have any questions regarding our comments please contact JR Ranells at (909) 596-8741.

Sincerely,

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cc: The Honorable Congressman David Dreier
The Honorable Senator Dianne Feinstein
The Honorable Senator Barbara Boxer

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