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Secretary Laird on Introduction of Drought Legislation by U.S. Senators Dianne Feinstein and Barbara Boxer

SACRAMENTO, Calif. – Natural Resources Agency Secretary John Laird issued the following statement on the California Emergency Drought Relief Act introduced by Senators Dianne Feinstein and Barbara Boxer:

“We applaud the constructive approach of Senator Feinstein and Boxer in crafting drought-response legislation that seeks to fairly balance the many needs of our diverse state. This approach recognizes the importance of water rights, environmental protection, and the need for flexibility in responding to this historic drought—and future droughts. The legislation aligns with the voters’ overwhelming approval of Prop 1, the Governor’s Water Action Plan to help move California toward water sustainability, and would help accelerate the ongoing state and local drought response and preparations for a future with even more frequent and severe droughts.”

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