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Secretary Laird on Appointment of Assistant Secretary for Salton Sea Policy

SACRAMENTO, Calif. – Natural Resources Agency Secretary John Laird issued the following statement on the appointment of Bruce Wilcox as the assistant secretary for Salton Sea policy at the California Natural Resources Agency:

“The situation at the Salton Sea demands urgency. This fall, under the leadership of Bruce Wilcox, the State of California will advance an effort with state, federal, and local stakeholders to develop a comprehensive framework for Salton Sea management. The multi-agency effort’s goals will be to protect air quality, habitat, and water supply reliability at the Salton Sea and in the region.

I applaud the willingness of the Imperial Irrigation District and the Salton Sea Authority to step forward and develop a framework to manage up to 30,000 acres of exposed seafloor. Bruce’s central involvement in the development of these plans and continued work with key stakeholders at the Sea will be invaluable in finding solutions to protect the people of the region and water supply reliability of the state.”

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