

## 2008 Legislative Principles

### Greater Los Angeles County Integrated Regional Water Management Planning Group

1. Support efforts to appropriate funds in an expeditious fashion (consecutive fiscal years if possible).
2. Support allocation of current and future IRWMP funds consistent with the methodology used to develop the guidelines of Proposition 84.
3. Support development of future water bonds that include funding for integrated regional water management plan implementation to define the Greater Los Angeles County IRWMP region as a funding area rather than the LA/Ventura Funding Area (as defined as a hydrologic region).
4. Governance of IRWMP should not be specified in statute, but rather defined at the local level and tailored to local needs.
5. Support legislation to enhance the development of local water supply projects, such projects shall include water recycling, reclamation, brackish and ocean water desalination, groundwater and surface storage projects, conjunctive use, as well as groundwater contamination prevention, cleanup, and treatment projects or other water quality projects necessary to protect existing or potential water supplies.
6. Supports greater flexibility in grant contracting to lessen the liability placed on any one organization to act as the grant recipient for an entire IRWM region.
7. Support legislation supporting regional collaborative efforts to address water quality and water supply issues and flood management.
8. Support legislation that acknowledges the importance of recognizing open space, habitat, recreation, and disadvantaged community needs in the development of water quality and supply initiatives.
9. Support legislation that recognizes the importance of a watershed-based approach to address water quality and supply challenges and flood management.
10. Support consolidation and streamlining of grant application process.