



COACHELLA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT

Established in 1918 as a public agency

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August 26, 2024

The Honorable Steven Padilla
California State Senate
1021 O Street, Suite 6640
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: Senate Bill 583 – SUPPORT

Dear Senator Padilla:

The Coachella Valley Water District (CVWD) serves approximately 300,000 residents in its 1,000 square-miles of service area ranging from the San Geronio Pass to the Salton Sea, mostly within the Coachella Valley area of Riverside County, including small areas within Imperial and San Diego counties. Our services include domestic water, wastewater collection and treatment, agricultural water, regional stormwater protection, recycled water, and groundwater replenishment of imported water.

We appreciate your efforts to work with CVWD to address our initial concerns with Senate Bill (SB) 583 and now write in support of this legislation as amended on August 23, 2024. CVWD supports the efforts of this bill to establish the Salton Sea Conservancy to manage and oversee ongoing and future restoration projects that will foster ecological recovery and promote positive public health outcomes for communities across the Coachella Valley.

For these reasons, CVWD supports SB 583.

Sincerely,

J. M. Barrett
General Manager
Coachella Valley Water District