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**Office of the Governor's release regarding passage of history  
comprehensive water package, November 4, 2009**



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## PRESS RELEASE

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### **Gov. Schwarzenegger Applauds Passage of Historic Comprehensive Water Package**

Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger today issued the following statement regarding the legislature's passage of an historic package to reform and rebuild California's water system:

"Water is the lifeblood of everything we do in California. Without clean, reliable water, we cannot build, we cannot farm, we cannot grow and we cannot prosper. That is why I am so proud that the legislature, Democrats and Republicans, came together and tackled one of the most complicated issues in our state's history. This comprehensive water package is an historic achievement.

"I particularly want to applaud the leadership of Senate President Darrell Steinberg. He has been a tireless leader, a relentless advocate for the environment and a true statesman."

On October 11, 2009, Governor Schwarzenegger issued a proclamation calling for the legislature to meet in an extraordinary session to address California's water crisis, urging the passage of legislation on the many issues facing the state's water system which were ultimately addressed by the water package passed today.