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April 29, 2021

The Honorable Bob Wieckowski  
Chair, Senate Subcommittee 2  
State Capitol, Room 5019  
Sacramento, CA 95814

The Honorable Richard Bloom  
Chair, Assembly Subcommittee 3  
State Capitol, Room 6026  
Sacramento, CA 95814

**RE: Multi-Benefit 3D Geologic Framework Mapping Funding – SUPPORT**

Dear Chairs Wieckowski and Bloom:

On behalf of the California Groundwater Coalition (CGC), I write to express support for the Governor's budget proposal to provide funding and staff for three years to develop multi-benefit three-dimensional (3D) geologic framework mapping.

CGC was formed at the urging of California state and local officials who believed that increased efforts were needed to educate and inform policy makers and the public about California's groundwater resources. CGC members include public and private groundwater management entities located throughout California and consist of experts with technical, legal, and professional groundwater and related expertise.

The Governor's proposal is for a total of four positions and three years of funding at \$1 million per year for a total of \$3 million to develop a multi-benefit 3D geologic framework mapping. CGC supports the creation of this 3D mapping because it is intended to be used for future evaluation of sustainable groundwater management, in addition to other purposes.

In general, CGC supports the use of technology wherever possible to help California's groundwater basins reach a level of sustainability -- which will almost always require some level of groundwater recharge. This new 3D mapping will characterize the three-dimensional structure of the rocks and rock types to provide insights into timescales of groundwater recharge.

For these reasons, CGC supports the Governor's budget proposal to fund a multi-benefit 3D geologic mapping and respectfully requests that this proposal be adopted in the 2021-22 state budget. If you have questions about CGC's position please contact our Legislative Advocate, Rosanna Carvacho Elliott at 916-812-6519 or [rosanna@clearadvocacy.com](mailto:rosanna@clearadvocacy.com).

Sincerely,

Ann DuBay  
President, California Groundwater Coalition

cc: Honorable Members, Senate Budget Subcommittee 2  
Honorable Members, Assembly Budget Subcommittee 3