

The Southern California Water Committee (SCWC) announced today that its Board of Trustees unanimously approved supporting Gov. Jerry Brown's [emergency drought declaration](#) and is encouraging Southern Californians to support the call for additional voluntary water conservation, as the state experiences record dry conditions.

"While different regions of California will experience the drought differently, we are one state," said Charles Wilson, chairman of Southern California Water Committee. "We encourage our members and all Southern Californians to do everything they can to increase their conservation efforts."

SCWC will be convening regional workshops to explore how Southern California can assist in statewide drought planning, including facilitating water transfers, mutual aid agreements, emergency interconnections, innovative rate structures, indoor water use efficiency incentives/programs, and outdoor conservation programs such as turf removal, etc. SCWC has hosted workshops and technical sessions in the past year on capturing stormwater and recycling wastewater to increase regional local groundwater supplies.