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The Honorable Gordon Smith
United States Senate
404 Russell Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

ACWA's mission is to assist its members in promoting the development, management and reasonable beneficial use of good quality water at the lowest practical cost in an environmentally balanced manner.

RE: Support of the Small Reclamation Water Resources Act of 2001 (S 1882)

Via facsimile

Dear Senator Smith,

The Association of California Water Agencies supports your Small Reclamation Water Resources Act of 2001 (S 1882). As you know, ACWA represents over 440 water districts throughout the state which collectively deliver over 90 percent of California's agricultural, residential and industrial water supplies. Passage of this legislation will greatly aid in the development and expansion of local water programs in California and the other Reclamation states.

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ACWA supports this legislation because the grants and loans it makes available to agencies allows them to develop projects that promote efficient water use, develop new water supplies, and enhance the environment within their service areas. This program promotes state and local participation in small Reclamation projects that will provide local benefits.

ACWA is pleased to support S 1882 and appreciates your leadership on Western water issues.

Sincerely,

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