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The Honorable Steven Bradford
 California State Senate
 State Capitol, Room 2059
 Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: SB 625 – Central Basin Municipal Water District – SUPPORT as amended June 8, 2020

Dear Senator Bradford:

The El Dorado Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) is pleased to support **Senate Bill 625**, as amended June 8, 2020. The bill focuses on the central basin municipal water district and puts the district into receivership at the Water Replenishment District of Southern California (WRD).

The Central Basin Municipal Water District has a history of inability to maintain effective governance which has resulted in a failure to meet certain responsibilities. We support the bill's requirement for a thorough and comprehensive public outreach process and assessment of the District through a municipal service review (MSR) to be conducted by the Los Angeles Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCo). The public outreach process will seek governance ideas from a broad base of stakeholders including customers of the district. These actions ensure a local public participation process is part of the solution proposed to the Legislature. As a LAFCo, we highly value that local process and seeking solutions to local agency issues at the local level.

We thank you for authoring this important legislation. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions about our position on **SB 625**.

Sincerely,

José C. Henríquez
 Executive Officer

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