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A. Intent

In order to achieve the Water Forum's two coequal objectives -- providing reliable and safe water supply and preserving the values of the lower American River -- all signatories need to support and, where appropriate, participate in each of the seven complementary elements of the *Water Forum Agreement*.

- Increased surface water diversions
- Actions to meet customers' needs while reducing diversion impacts in drier years
- Support for an improved pattern of fishery flow releases from Folsom Reservoir
- Lower American River Habitat Management Element (HME)
- Water Conservation Element
- Groundwater Management Element
- Water Forum Successor Effort

For each interest to get its needs met, it has to support all seven elements. For instance, in order for environmentalists to get purveyors' support for an improved pattern of fishery flow releases, actions to meet customers' needs in drier years while reducing diversion impacts, the lower American River Habitat Management Element (HME), and the Water Conservation Element, the environmentalists need to support the purveyors' increased surface water diversions.

Conversely, in order for purveyors to obtain environmentalists' support for its increased surface water diversions, the purveyors need to support an improved pattern of fishery flow releases, develop actions to meet customers' needs in drier years while reducing diversion impacts, participate in the lower American River HME, and the Water Conservation Element.

The business and citizen interests need both the reliable water supply and preservation of the lower American River. Therefore, just as is the case for the purveyors and environmentalists, business and citizen groups need implementation of all seven elements for their needs to be met.

B. Specific Agreement to Support the Integrated Package of Agreements

As part of the *Water Forum Agreement* all stakeholder organizations will endorse and, where appropriate, participate in all seven elements of the *Water Forum Agreement*.