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### **Imperial County Supervisors Applaud Proposed Investment for Salton Sea in the Governor's 2021-2022 May Revise**

Yesterday, at the start of Governor Gavin Newsom's tour throughout the state to unveil his \$100 billion California Comeback Plan, which he stated is intended to tackle five of California's most persistent challenges, Governor Newsom announced that part of that plan is a \$5.1 billion proposal for water infrastructure and drought response, all of which will be included in his spending plan for Fiscal Year 2021-2022. Included among the various investments in the water infrastructure package is a \$220 million investment for the Salton Sea to maximize habitat outcomes and provide immediate economic relief to the community.

"It is encouraging to see that the Governor continues to recognize the severity of the public, environmental and human health impacts that the Salton Sea poses," stated Chairman of the Board and District 3 Supervisor Mike Kelley. "I appreciate his continued commitment to improve the quality of life for our residents, even during these challenging times as we deal with the COVID-19 crisis. We look forward to working with our legislators, Assemblyman Garcia and Senator Hueso, to ensure that the funding remains in the final budget."

The Governor's May Revise proposal will be released formally on Friday, May 14, 2021. Imperial County officials are awaiting release of the formal proposal to review the details of the appropriation. Upon release, the State Legislature will consider Governor Newsom's proposal and will need to approve a FY 2021-22 budget by June 15, 2021.

For more information on the Governor's budget, visit Governor Newsom's budget web page at [www.ebudget.ca.gov](http://www.ebudget.ca.gov).

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