

*State Assemblyman Jose Solorio  
Chair*

**Assembly Select Committee  
On Regional Approaches to  
Addressing State's Water Crises**

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# Orange County Business Council Mission and Core Initiatives

OCBC represents and promotes the **business community**, working with government and academia, to enhance Orange County's **economic development** and prosperity in order to preserve a **high quality of life**.

- Workforce Housing
- Workforce Development
- Infrastructure
- Economic Development



# OCBC Infrastructure

- Roads and transit
- Sewer
- Water
- Storm water
- Air quality
- Energy
- Airports, ports
- Communications

# Business Awareness and Partnerships

R.E.A.L. Coalition

[www.realcoalition.org](http://www.realcoalition.org)



OC Water Summit

[www.ocwd.com](http://www.ocwd.com)



Southern California Water Committee

[www.socalwater.org](http://www.socalwater.org)



# Solid Research

## **Dr. Wallace Walrod**

### **Vice President Research and Communications**

- Determining the Value of Water Supply Reliability in Orange County 2003 (MWDOC)
- Annual Orange County Community Indicators (Children & Families Commission and County of Orange)
- 2009 OC Infrastructure Report Card—water as the “focus topic”

# Comprehensive Water Solution

Must include:

- Infrastructure improvements in the Delta.
- Build additional storage facilities.
- Improve water quality.

***Current water bills don't do enough for the economy.***

# Delta Governance

## Must include:

- Clear lines of authority and responsibility.
- Measurable, accountable systems.
- Decisions based upon objective cost-benefit analysis and best science.
- Maintain public trust and secure funding source.
- **Balanced statewide representation.**
- Public-private partnerships and design-build authority for timely delivery of projects.

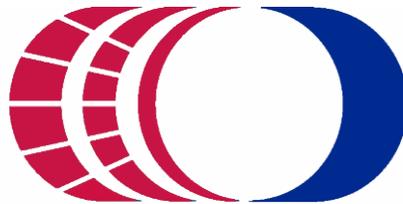
# Future Water Issues

*Meeting demand of growing population...*

Storm water issues:

- ✓ Good pollution management vs. another “no growth” regulatory scheme.
- ✓ Keeping water “on site” vs. regional approach.
- ✓ Effects on groundwater replenishment.

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