

Providing

RESOURCES FOR FARMS AND RURAL COMMUNITIES

As California's population continues to grow, our current water system, energy supply, roads, railways and ports are all being stretched beyond capacity. Investments in infrastructure and services become increasingly important as more people migrate to traditionally rural areas of the state.

Balancing the needs of a growing population, the needs of farms and ranches and the needs of the environment requires Farm Bureau to be committed to public and private investments in water and infrastructure improvements that support a healthy economy and environment, all the while helping residents understand and appreciate the economic and cultural values of rural communities.

{ Farm Bureau Encourages }

- Developing new water supplies, both aboveground and underground, improved conveyance systems and continued advances in water use efficiency
- Improved roads, railways and ports to transport goods and people efficiently
- Programs to encourage economic development in rural communities where unemployment rates are the highest
- Government budgets that ensure California rural communities receive their fair share of public investments in public safety, education, transportation, infrastructure and other critical services
- Improved access to quality health care in rural communities where there is a shortage of primary care physicians
- Programs to reduce rural crime and illegal dumping

