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CAPS STATEMENT ON GOVERNOR BROWN'S 2015-2016 BUDGET PROPOSAL

SACRAMENTO, Calif. – Following this morning's release of Governor Brown's 2015-2016 Budget Proposal, the California Association of Professional Scientists (CAPS) released this statement from President David Miller:

"CAPS looks forward to working with Governor Brown in the year ahead. California taxpayers rely on state scientists to ensure public health, protect natural resources and prevent air and water pollution. Taxpayers deserve excellence in public service, and that includes the best science. We will consider all proposals from the Governor, including how to best address the long-standing problem of unfunded liability for state retiree health benefits. We will ask him to provide salary equity for all state scientists."

CAPS represents 2,500 state employed scientists working in over 30 state departments. CAPS members protect the public from life threatening diseases, safe guard our wildlife and abundant natural and cultural resources, and protect our air and water from toxic waste and pollution.

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