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The Southern California freeways are a network of interconnected freeways in Southern California, serving a population of 22 million people. Los Angeles County has 527 miles of freeway and 382 miles of conventional highway. On the average day, 92 million vehicle miles are driven in L.A. County. The City of Los Angeles is continuously finding ways to improve their freeway irrigation system for the purposes of maintaining landscape properties along parts of the freeways. These automated irrigation systems not only reduce safety hazards for maintenance workers but they are also designed to help conserve water.

An important part of the City's expanding emphasis on water conservation is the concept that water is a resource that can be used more than once. Because all uses of water do not require the same quality of supply, the City has been developing programs to use reclaimed water for suitable uses.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power be requested to work with CalTrans to study the feasibility of using reclaimed water in the Los Angeles freeway irrigation system.

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