



ESSENTIAL ELEMENTS

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CA FWD

Public decisions driven by short term



Resistance to long-term thinking

- Paying down debt
- Long-term infrastructure financing plans
- Multi-year budgets
- Rainy day funds



Daily decisions determine destiny

“Be mindful of your thoughts... because your thoughts become your words.

“Be mindful of your words, because your words become your deeds.

“Be mindful of your deeds, because your deeds become your habits.

“Be mindful of your habits, because your habits become your destiny.”

Wrong Direction vs Right Direction



Vision and persistence still essential

1950s

Modern planning for SWP
begins

1960s

Construction begins

1973

Water is pumped up and
through the Tehachapis



But also innovation and integration

