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Dear Water Board Members,

All current statistics considered, it is a mistake to adopt the staff recommendations to extend drought regulations and I fear public trust and this board's credibility will take a hard hit- especially considering that Governor Brown has declared a flood emergency.

As of yesterday the snow pack is at 173% of average (which is about 28 inches of water when melted, and we know our yearly average is just over 11 inches). Our reservoirs are out of room and cannot store all of the water we are receiving. In just two weeks there has been more water out-flowed through the Delta (almost 2.4 million AF) than conserved by the people during the June 2015 to Nov. 2016 period. Those are not all of the available statistics to support my request.

Aside from our great need to have additional water storage, surface water deliveries also reduce demand by recharging lost groundwater supplies which better prepare us for the next inevitable drought. Let's get ahead of this while that is possible!

I ask you to deeply consider the data and future outcomes when making your decisions on February 8- it is imperative that drought regulations not be extended, and that you advise the governor to rescind his emergency drought declaration immediately. This is critical if you hope to maintain believably down the road when saving water truly matters most.

Sincerely yours,

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