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Felicia Marcus, Board Chair
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Re: State Water Board Order WR 2009-0060

I write to support your staff's proposed recommendation to modify the cease and desist order governing illegal diversions from the Carmel River.

Extending the order's deadline to December 2020 would be an important step giving Monterey Peninsula residents and officials more time to develop alternative water supplies.

I also support the following staff recommendations:

- 1) Adjusting the diversion limit to 7,990 acre-feet a year
- 2) Using 7,990 acre-feet as a "hard cap"
- 3) Limitation on reductions of the diversion limits
- 4) Adjustments to the way credits are granted for new water sources

These requirements are necessary to protect the Monterey Peninsula's water supply and to make sure that California American Water and local water officials continue to work diligently to reduce diversions from the river.

Thank you,

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