



June 22, 2016

Jeanine Townsend, Clerk to the Board  
 State Water Resources Control Board  
 I Street, 24th Floor  
 Sacramento, California 95814

**(6/22/16) Public Hearing  
 Drinking Water Fee  
 Deadline: 6/22/16 by 5:00pm**



**Re: Comments regarding SWRCB Draft Drinking Water Fee Regulation**

Dear Ms. Townsend:

Sacramento Suburban Water District is a public agency responsible for providing water service to northwest Sacramento County, California including portions of Antelope, Carmichael, Citrus Heights, Foothill Farms, North Highlands, the City of Sacramento, and all of McClellan Business Park (formerly McClellan Air Force Base). We serve a total of 46,414 retail connections and a population of roughly 175,000. We appreciate the opportunity to comment on the State Water Resources Control Board's ("SWRCB") draft Drinking Water Fee Regulations released for public comment on April 29, 2016 ("Draft Fee Regulations").

Sacramento Suburban Water District recognizes that the final Fee Regulations must ensure that the Drinking Water Program has adequate funding. However, we are concerned that the Draft Fee Regulations do not equitably allocate Drinking Water Program costs among fee payors. We also encourage the SWRCB to take steps to ensure that the Drinking Water Program maintains its accountability to public water systems and the customers we serve. **Sacramento Suburban Water District supports the Association of California Water Agencies' comments and suggested amendments to the Draft Fee Regulations, including the Water Community Option for the fee schedule.**

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Draft Fee Regulations. Sacramento Suburban Water District encourages the SWRCB and its staff to continue to work with public water systems and their representatives on this important issue. If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact the undersigned at [roscoe@sswd.org](mailto:roscoe@sswd.org) or (916) 679-3994.

Sincerely,

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 General Manager

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