Kern River Watershed Coalition Authority

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Re: Comments re Eastern San Joaquin River Watershed Tentative WDRs and MRP for Discharges from Irrigated Lands on Behalf of the Southern San Joaquin Valley Water Quality Coalition

Dear Board Chair, Vice Chair, Members, Ms. Creedon, Mr. Karkoski and Mr. Laputz:

As you may be aware, the Kern River Watershed Coalition Authority (Authority) is a joint power authority, a public agency, composed of most of the agricultural water districts within that portion of Kern County that would be subject to the above referenced draft order. Our membership also includes multi-county districts in Kern County and southern Tulare County that will be subject to the draft order. It administers the existing surface water program under the Coalition Group Conditional Waiver for the Kern River Sub-watershed ("Kern") of the Southern San Joaquin Valley Water Quality Coalition ("SSJ Coalition"), of which we are a part. The Kern area includes the watershed areas of Kern River, Poso Creek, Rag Gulch, and White River.

We have reviewed and incorporate by reference and join the comments submitted on behalf of the SSJ Coalition by William Thomas, dated August 6, 2012.

Should you have any questions, please contact us.

Very truly yours,

Eric Averett, Chairman

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