

Maiorino Farms

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State Water Resources Control Board
1001 I Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

To All Concerned:

We write this letter to you expressing our concerns of the proposed proposal regarding a further reduction to our water allocation.

We are a family farm located in the heart of the San Joaquin Valley and have been farming in this great valley since our great grandfather migrated from Italy in the early 1900's. Even though the Maiorino name is only one family name, this farm is operated by a multitude of families who depend on its day to day operation and success.

It is our understanding that your board is proposing a further reduction to protect the Salmon. If water is not available in the Delta for pumping our contract will not be met, no pumping for the State Water Contractors, and will create a circumstance of no transfers from northern California for our neighbors. No pumping until the end of August will be horrific to all involved.

This would have a devastating result for all of us here at Maiorino Farms and the State of California. Here at Maiorino Farms; we have crops planted and have over 2 million dollars invested in our current crops. All our employees have families to feed, households to run. The job and revenue losses as a result of this proposal will drastically harm our great State. Many jobs depend on agriculture ~ from harvesting, processing, transportation, wholesale and retail.

The Bureau of Reclamation and DWR have jointly submitted a reasonable plan which would meet temperature needs of the fishery and substantially comply with our Contract. We urge you to accept their plan and keep California alive.

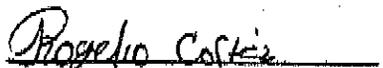
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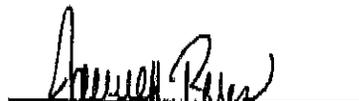
Brian Maiorino
Maiorino Farms



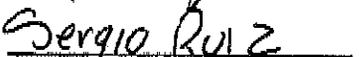
Noe Tovar Sr. ~ Crew Foreman



Rogelio Cortez ~ Shop Maintenance



Jannel Reyes ~ Bookkeeper



Sergio Ruiz ~ Crop Maintenance



Noe Tovar, Jr. ~ Water Dept.



Jose Luis Andrade
Crop Maintenance

Salvador Ayala

Salvador Ayala ~ Crop Maintenance

Oscar Leonel Diaz

Oscar Diaz ~ Crop Maintenance

Alexi Escalantes

Alexi Escalantes ~ Crop Maintenance

Juan Carlos Guerrero D.

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Jose S Hernandez

Jose Hernandez ~ Crop Maintenance

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cc: U.S. Senators (CA); California State Assembly Members; California State Senators; Members of Congress