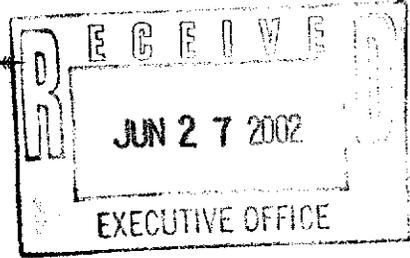




CALEXICO CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

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June 24, 2002

Mr. Arthur Baggett, Jr.
Chair of the State Water Resources Control Board
P.O. Box 100
Sacramento, CA 95812

Dear Mr. Baggett:

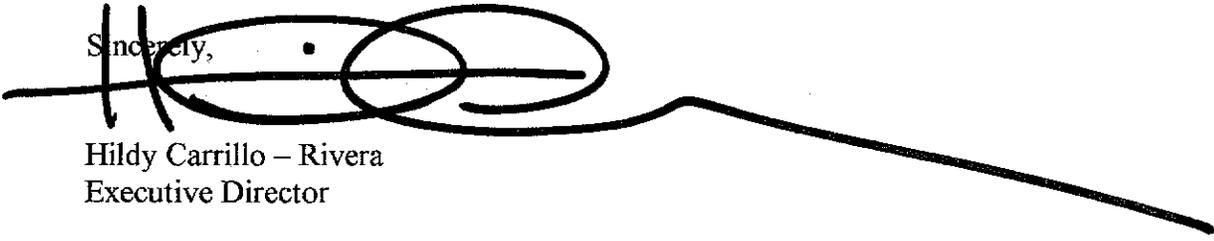
On behalf of the Calexico Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors I would like to inform you that we have taken a "NO Fallowing" stand for the following reasons:

- 1) The transfer document signed between the IID and San Diego expressly prohibits fallowing because of the severe job loss and economic dislocation that would ensue in the Imperial Valley.
- 2) The original transfer agreement was based on active conservation measures and called for voluntary participation. Now, the politicians are trying to change the rules so that fallowing becomes the only option and participation is compulsory.
- 3) The Imperial Valley cannot transfer water to the coast and save the Salton Sea.

The Calexico Chamber of Commerce is looking out for the best interests of all the residents of Imperial Valley. A "NO Fallowing" stand is a way to help protect those interests.

If you should have any questions please contact me at (760) 357-1166.

Sincerely,


Hildy Carrillo - Rivera
Executive Director