

commentletters - "Comment Letter-Proposed Russian River Frost Regulation"

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This so unfair to grape growers and I think it's discrimination. I would request a phased-in development of the regulations in order to allow data from the Sonoma County local Frost Ordinance to inform the final state regulations. Please refrain from including ground water in the regulation. Groundwater may be an effective solution if stream reaches are identified where direct diversions are impacting stream flows. The state at this time has not met the regulatory threshold to justify such a far reaching and precedent setting statute. There have been three incidents of reported fish being stranded, and those occurred during the third year of the drought and during the coldest spring in over 30 years! I think this is such an arrogant power play by the State Water Board, I'll be glad when your proposal fails due to lack of common sense, and cold hard scientific facts.

