

commentletters



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Subject: "2/2/16 BOARD MEETING (Conservation Extended Emergency Regulation)."

Thank you for taking the time to read this-please wait on the water restrictions and reductions until later in the season. I live on an acre lot just across the street from Folsom Lake. We have removed 5000 square feet of lawn, installed and repaired all our drip systems, we shower with a friend "rubber made tubs" and save our shower water as well as dish water and collect rainwater for future use. We added 45 cubic yards of redwood mulch to help conserve water as well as removed unhappy plants that we wasting water.

I will not let my trees die-the UC Riverside study posted in 2015 stated that homeowner landscape use counter for about 2-7 % of the water used in the State. It is a fraction of our water yet homeowners received the harshest cuts-for ever tree and lawn we let die we increased our carbon foot print significantly. No trees means no shade no shade means more energy used to cool the house. Home owner water usage is not the problem-there are many larger water wasters in our state.

As the owner of a Retail garden center since 2001, having water will allow me to stay in business. 2015 was my worst year yet-I am struggling to stay in business after a 6 year recession and 4 year drought. Gardening is a healthy lifestyle hobby-yet my customers were terrified to plant a plant due to the water police and restrictions.

Please read the UC Riverside study on the water usage in the state-it will open your eyes to the realization that homeowner water usage is not the problem-corporate water usage is uncontrolled as well as Delta water issues.

Thank you

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