(1/23/18) Board Meeting A-2239(a)-(c) Deadline: 12/15/17 by 12 noon

From: lance stanley
To: commentletters

Subject: Comments to A-2239(a)-(c)

Date: Saturday, November 25, 2017 12:00:04 PM



Dear Clerk to the Board Townsend,

I farm 170 acres of pistachios on three fields, in two, separate counties, each a 30 min drive from the other. I have two full time employees and I work 7 days a week to help keep up.

There is just no way that I can run my operation with the onerous amounts of gathering, reporting and running around that you are proposing. This is the final straw in crushing the small farmer. You should spend your time helping us grow food rather than force us into selling to large agricorps. You have no idea what these proposals will do to the small guy.

On another note, the guidelines that you are proposing for nitrogen management and crop uptake have almost no science behind them. For instance, with pistachios, the science that you are using is based on two years of data from a couple of orchards in the southern san joaquin valley. That is laughable when you consider all the different areas of the valley that pistachios are grown and all of the different nuances that each micro climate, soil characteristics and water characteristics that determine crop need and uptake.

Lastly, the current irrigated lands program is burdensome enough but tolerable.

Don't put us out of business. Sincerely Lance Stanley

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