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Dear Ms. Townsend and Members of the State Water Resources Control Board,

I am writing along with Aparna Gazula to advise the Board of the concerns we have regarding the experiences of small-scale, socially disadvantaged farmers with diversified farming operations in achieving compliance with reporting requirements for the Irrigated Lands Regulatory Program. As a potential solution, we are proposing simplified reporting requirements and an alternate option for self-certification for these types of farms.

Our comments are attached to this email. Thank you for your consideration of these issues. We appreciate the time that the State Water Resources Control Board has taken to meet with us and hear our concerns about this group of farmers and the challenges they face, and we hope that the Board will take action to address their needs in the language of the Order. Please feel free to contact either or both of us with any questions.

Best regards,

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