

Comment Letters

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To: Frevert, Kathy@Waterboards
Subject: Comments on Proposed Regulatory Framework

To Whom It May Concern,

I don't see how any of the current restrictions or future regulations (**restrictions**) will affect this state in a positive way whatsoever. Why are we not taking the abundance of salt water from the Pacific Ocean and desalinizing it? The raise in cost for water, and the restrictions on water usage are ridiculous. What are your proposed credits/reimbursements to the farmers that have lost their crops? What about the single income families who used every last dime to landscape their yards only to have their landscaping die? You do not look at the "people" of California as people. I would say that over 75% of California residents have reduced their water usage, only to be continuously penalized and charged more money. I've watched as my local city's government drives in cars that are clean (freshly washed), while they water the landscaping on the side of the freeway at noon on a Tuesday, and the list can go on. You need to better track where the overuse of water is if you would like to charge more fees. There is no amount of taxing, fees, water reduction, etc that will help this State other than weather, more importantly snow, which the **people** of California have no control over. So, if we get El Nino, and we get out of this drought, and there is flooding and an overabundance of water, does this mean we will have months of FREE water? No, it won't meant that. It also won't drop our rates for water. You will continue to excessively charge for a life needing necessity, and not look back. I don't agree in any shape with the proposed changes. It appears that you would rather have the **people** of California die trying to pay for water that they need to survive, than use the money **we** pay to desalinize where their is an abundance. My hope is that you will actually think about what I've written & make proposed changes that actually use common sense. Also, if you feel that you need to continue high fees, than you need to adjust it every two weeks, based upon weather and usage, not extend it for 9 months.

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