January 20, 2004

The Honorable Arthur Baggett
Chairman
State Water Resources Control Board
P.O. Box 2000
Sacramento, CA 95812-2000

Dear Art:

This is to follow up on our telephone conversation of last week. In regards to water quality I have sent the enclosed letter out to principals in the San Joaquin River Basin. The goal of the meeting is to see what process or plan we can develop to integrate and coordinate the various water quality processes. Once we have a plan or process, we would like to discuss this with the State Water Resources Control Board.

We are working on a draft of the revised rules and regulations for annual fees. We will have our draft out next week and will begin to coordinate with interested parties.

Sincerely,

Allen Short
Coordinator

Enclosure
MEMORANDUM

TO: Dan Nelson
    Steve Chedester
    Ron Jacobsma
    Donn Furman
    John Herrick
    Bill Thomas
    Kevin Kaufman
    Tom Birmingham

    Ross Rogers
    Steve Stroud
    Larry Weis
    Steve Knell
    Bob Nees
    Walt Ward

    Tim O’Laughlin
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FROM: Allen Short, Coordinator

SUBJ: Proposed Meeting

At the recent workshop on Triennial Review the San Joaquin River Group Authority and the SJRECWA submitted comments to the SWRCB requesting that the myriad of water quality processes be coordinated. Following those comments, I had the opportunity to speak with Art Baggett regarding the integration and coordination of these various processes. He was receptive to the concept. He requested that I coordinate with interested parties in the San Joaquin River Basin in drafting a process and/or a plan of how this concept could be accomplished.

I would like to schedule a meeting as soon as possible to discuss the processes or plans we could propose to integrate and coordinate the various water quality programs. Please feel free to invite your legal staff to attend this meeting. The following dates are available for a meeting here at MID. I envision a start time of 10:00 a.m., have a working lunch and get people on the road by 2:00 p.m. Please let me know if you are interested and what dates work best for you.

Also, start thinking of ideas, plans and processes for integrating these various water quality programs.

Proposed Meeting Dates / 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.:

Friday – January 23, 2004
Friday – January 30, 2004
Friday - February 6, 2004
Monday –February 9, 2004
Thursday – February 12, 2004