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I worked for years on the electric supply arrangements for the Carlsbad Desalination plant. Under the current rules the SDCWA gets no credit for adding new water supplies. Please change the rules to allow forward thinking communities to reap the benefits of planning for the current water shortage. To do otherwise rewards the organizations that have done nothing and spent nothing for years to fix the water crisis. I went to Sacramento in 2009 with ACWA to ask the State to take action and nothing was done. San Diego and other communities that have taken action should not be lumped in with areas that have not planned for the future. The failure of the State to do anything should not penalize San Diego or cities such as Riverside that have put in the effort to have a secure water supply.

I urge the State Board to adopt the modifications to the existing emergency regulation to allow water agencies to achieve state water-use targets through a combination of conservation and sustainable drinking water supplies, such as desalination, potable reuse, and long-term transfers of conserved water.

The State Board has a unique opportunity to incentivize the development of sustainable water supplies -- not only for this drought -- but to better prepare California for future droughts.