Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Emergency Regulations for Statewide Urban Water Conservation.

As a Citizen Water Academy graduate, I would like to share with you how I am very proud of our County Water Authority. Over 20 years ago their senior leadership took on the challenge of diversifying our water sources to ensure reliability not only for business owners, but also for all residents. They have succeeded. The numbers you have been briefed on speak for themselves.

The success of increasing San Diego County's water reliability is a result of innovative collective impact initiatives strategically developed with multiple and diverse organizations from many sectors as well as daily water saving efforts and purchases made by the citizens of San Diego County over the past 20 years. In one word the aforementioned success was a result of 'collaboration.'

As we transition into the 21st century, with finite environmental resources and complex challenges related to global warming there really is no better time for our State Board to incentivize 'collaboration' to achieve the development of sustainable water supplies. We are not asking our State Board for a reward or to be made the 'exception' to the current water Emergency Regulations for doing what we have done for the past 20 years. We are requesting your support to incentivize all California counties to utilize inter and intra collaboration efforts to achieve water conservation and sustainability through the use of existing and future technology. I trust that the State Board will make the right decision for all Californians and our future generation by choosing to incentivize the development of sustainable water supplies.