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

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.

Crediting new supply development appropriately recognizes water agencies and their ratepayers who have had the foresight to invest in new long-term, local water supplies and conservation and transfer agreements.

Please honor the investments made by adopting the San Diego County Water Authority's modification proposal to the state's Emergency Regulations for Statewide Urban Water Conservation.