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Sent: Wednesday, June 24, 2015 12:01 PM
To: Townsend, Jeanine@Waterboards
Subject: SWRCB Below Shasta

Dear Jeanine,

I understand your concern about the fisheries below Shasta. I am also concerned but with limited water resources, is this the only consideration?

I am Jim Neufeld with the Family Farm of Lester Neufeld & Son in Wasco California. My family has been here since the 1920's. We grow carrots, beans, roses, almonds, wheat and other crops with the latest water saving technology. Many people depend on our farming. Our steady employees with their families number around 60. Many others depend on temporary jobs during planting and harvests. Also other supporting businesses such as processors, handlers, transportation, merchants and others number in the hundreds. The influence of the farm produces cities, schools, and other supporting industries all of which take water and have depended on it for generations.

Please consider the bigger picture when making your decisions.

Thank you

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