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We cannot go back to being a desert. We need to use every source of water to the best of our ability to benefit our people. Here in Tuolumne County, the federal government takes our water out of our reservoirs when we are in a drought to benefit a small amount of little fish instead of we the people being able to use it for PEOPLE! These asinine policies need to stop. Government overreach needs to stop.

We are now going to have our own private well monitored, and most likely, taxed. Water rights are bought and paid for when we purchase our property. Since when should we be taxed again and again for something we have already bought? This is what the government does with our property already; we pay every year to own our same property, and now it is our wells. Will we be taxed on the air we breathe next? Yes, it is just disguised in "green" policies.

To use fresh water that will just flow into the ocean to raise food for ourselves is only sensible. Construct water policies that will benefit people raising food. Is that so hard to understand?!  
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