



October, 11th 2016

Jeanine Townsend, Clerk to the Board
State Water Resources Control Board
1001 I Street, 24th Floor
Sacramento, CA 95814-0100

Ms. Townsend:

I object to the proposed flows for the San Joaquin tributaries!

The result of the proposal will be that the operation of our family farm will suffer greatly and the ability to provide for my family and for future generations will not be assured. I might have to quit farming altogether. My family has been farming in the Merced area for more than 100 years now and due to your proposed grab of water from the Merced River our existence in the future is greatly threatened.

And it is not only affecting my family – it will impact our whole region in a negative way.



Thank you for your attention.

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