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**CC:** <jkarkoski@waterboard.ca.gov>  
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**Subject:** Electronic submission of farm data

Dear Mr. LaPutz and Mr. Karkoski,

I am a dues paying member of the PNSSNS subwatershed group. Those dues are coming from a very modest retirement income - I believe that I currently fall somewhere between "low " and "very low" income. Although I still have nine sheep on my 3 acres, I am no longer engaged in any farming activity that generates income. I never made a profit on my sheep ranching.

I originally joined the subwatershed group because the information I received made it appear the State would be coming after me for non compliance if I didn't. I have since learned that I am "probably" exempt. I say probably because the regulations are about as clear as the Sacramento River to someone who doesn't work in your field. I still belong "just in case" and because I do believe we should have a clean environment and I would like to stay informed about best practices to help achieve that goal.

Do you really think that electronic reports from one little old lady on three irrigated acres that drain (in the winter only) into the waters of the state are worth your time to collect and analyze?

Sincerely,  
Susan Nielsen

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