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Dear Mr. Woelfel:

Re: 2006 Triennial Review of the Water Quality Control Plan for the Santa Ana River Basin (Basin Plan)

The Friends of the Northern San Jacinto Valley is a local conservation group dedicated to preserving and protecting the Northern San Jacinto Valley, San Jacinto Wildlife Area and Mystic Lake. We appreciate the opportunity to comment on the 2006 Triennial Review of the Water Quality Control Plan for the Santa Ana River Basin (Basin Plan).

We are pleased to see the Regional Board will be considering Beneficial Use designations for Mystic Lake. As you know, Mystic Lake is an ephemeral wetland located in the Northern San Jacinto Valley. With the most recent acquisition by the State Wildlife Conservation Board, virtually the entirety of Mystic Lake is within public ownership and included within the Department of Fish and Game's San Jacinto Wildlife Area. This historic wetland is certainly in need of improved water quality scrutiny. Recognition and inclusion of Mystic Lake in the Basin Plan will be an important step in realizing improved water quality at Mystic Lake. We would urge the Regional Board to make Mystic Lake a high priority in the Triennial Review.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment and please keep the Friends informed as the Triennial Review proceeds.

Sincerely,

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