2/16/10 Bd Mtg. Kern River Deadline: 2/9/10 by 12 noon

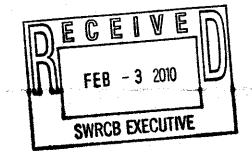
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## Dear Ms Jeanine:

I am a resident of Bakersfield, living about 5 blocks from the Kern River bed. I use the word 'bed', as the river has not had consistent water in it for years.

This is a travesty. I want, in the strongest of words, to encourage the Board to take what ever steps are necessary to place water back in the Kern River bed.

I want to support the recommendation finding that there is 'unappropriated water' that can be released into the bed. This, and other rivers in California, have been killed by the rapacious demands of farmers and developers. The State MUST do all it can to bring back to life the rivers that have provided sustenance for 1000s of years.

I hope that you will see that I am just one of 1000's who feel this way.

Respectfully,

amar Kerley