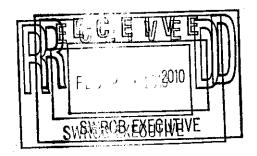
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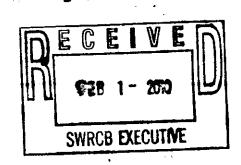
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State Water Resources Control Board P.O. Box 100 Sacramento, CA 95812-0100

Attention: Jeanine Townsend Clerk - SWRCB



Dear Ms. Townsend:

I would like to inform the SWRCB that I strongly support the recommended order finding unappropriated water on the Kern River. As a resident of Kern County for over forty-five years, I think it would be important to replenish the aquifer. As a lover of nature, I would like to the see the restoration of the natural flora and fauna.

I have used the word, I, in the above paragraph, however, it is for the community of Kern County that this letter is being written. Water in the Kern River would benefit the population and the wild life so vital to our county.

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Sincerely,

Margaret (Peggy) Mellon