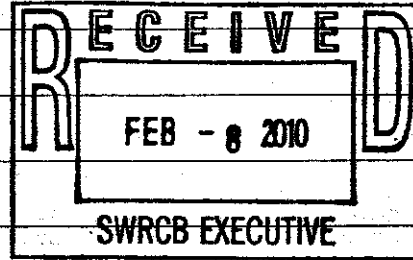


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Jeanine Townsend
Clerk to State Water
Resources Control Board



Dear Ms. Townsend,

We are residents of Bakersfield and are hereby voicing our hope that the unappropriated water be made available to our dry river bed.

A regular flow through the Kern River would replenish the aquifer and restore the natural flora and fauna. We are both hikers and bike riders as are thousands here in town.

We thank the board for their consideration of Bakersfield's needs in this manner.

John M. Ohe Martha A. Ohe