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Jeanine Townsend  
Clerk to the State Water Board  
Fax (916) 341-5620

**Subject: Comment Letter – Pesticide Prohibition Basin Plan Amendment**

Dear Jeanine Townsend,

This letter comes to urge the State Water Board to support an amendment to the Tahoe Basin Plan that allows limited use of aquatic herbicides in Lake Tahoe (including the Tahoe Keys).

As a resident of South Lake Tahoe (Tahoe Keys), we treasure the pure water and pristine environment of Lake Tahoe, and see ourselves as current stewards of this national resource. While we may not agree on many local, regional and national issues, we are convinced that the careful and limited use of herbicides to control invasive aquatic weeds in the Tahoe Keys is not only prudent, but vital and essential at this important point in history. **If the spread of invasive and nuisance weed species is to be controlled and reversed, it must be done now, while weed populations are still limited and controllable.**

We thank the State Water Board for their effort and courage in passing this amendment.

Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of Robert Fife in black ink.

Robert Fife

Handwritten signature of Arlene Fife in black ink.

Arlene Fife