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RE: Comments to A-2239(a)-(c)

Dear Chair Marcus and Members of the Board:

We are part of many organic farmers in California who take stewardship of the land very seriously. In term of nitrogen application, we source most of our nitrogen through the planting of cover crops that fixate nitrogen.

While I believe the intent is good – we all want healthy groundwater and waterways – I strongly believe the proposed revisions do not make sense for organic farmers like ourselves, and is a costly and overly broad and ineffective approach to achieve the goal.

I strongly encourage the board to rethink these proposed changes and focus on improving current processes to achieve the goals rather than implementing a broad change that forces all farms to do on site monitoring despite the likelihood of offense.

Thank you for considering my views.

Respectfully submitted,

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