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Hello. My Name is Jonathan Klingenberg I am a resident of Trinity County and I have been a tier II enrollee since April 2016.

The proposed requirements would cause myself and many other farmers throughout the county massive economic hardship at a time when our region can ill afford it. The requirements under the NCRWQCB order are impressive in their ability to protect the environment and should be maintained as is.

Safeguarding a viable cannabis farming community in Trinity County and the region as a whole is integral to environmental recovery as well as sustaining the economic foundation that prevents us from falling into abject poverty. The NCRWQCB carefully weighed these factors when drafting and implementing the current Order and I urge the State Water Resource Control Board to defer to this regional expertise and locally appropriate solution.

It is important to note that while recent state legislation exempts the SWRCB Cannabis General Order from requirements imposed by the California Environmental Quality Act, the NCRWQCB Order was completed after completing a thorough CEQA analysis including Notice & Comment. In light of that environmental review, it should be held as being evident that the NCRWQCB Order goes beyond adequate in its protection of our regional water quality and should be continued for its intended 5-year duration.

The regional Water Boards are well positioned to evaluate conditions within the nine regions and where the SWRCB General Order conflicts with a regional order, the General Order should defer to the local expertise of the Regional Boards. Ideally, the SWRCB General Order should allow the Regional Board's to retain enough flexibility to implement locally appropriate solutions that are equally protective of water quality.

At a minimum, current Enrollees under Regional Order should be allowed to continue operating for the duration of the regional order. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,  
Jonathan Klingenberg