commentletters - PLEASE READ/for Jeanine Townsend and Randy Poole

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Subject: PLEASE READ/for Jeanine Townsend and Randy Poole

Dear Water Resources Control Board and Sonoma County Water Agency:

I strongly object to the justification of approving a Temporary Urgency Change regarding Permits 12947A, 12949, 12950, and 16596. Please, won't anyone have the courage to think outside the box? Doesn't anyone have the courage to take on the WINERIES and THEIR WATER USAGE? The real concern of yours should be the voracious appetite of agriculature and vineyards but not by letting them "drain baby drain" but by implementing responsible farming techniques instead. How about taking a principaled stance and doing something about THAT instead of killing off one of the last remaining flowing rivers we have. Speaking of "threatened species" ... a healthy Russian River supports otters, seals, fish, herons, migrating fowl, birds, snakes and all kinds of critters. If you were really concerned about wildlife near and/or in a waterway, you would not proceed with this ill-conceived plan. Please, lack of water is a huge issue (local, national, international) that EVERYONE needs to address. Your plan is shortsighted; it is like wanting to drill in Alaska's National Refuge for a pint of oil. Please, do the right thing.

Thank you.

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