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It is unfathomable to consider the ramifications to our state and world of the planned “regulatory drought” by the State Water Resources Board. Restricting water use by up to 50% will have a devastating effect on anyone who works in the ag industry or supports workers in the ag industry or (no, I’m not kidding) eats food.

The San Joaquin Valley has long been considered the “Breadbasket of the World.” Since water is the basic necessity for all things to thrive and grow, losing 50% of this precious commodity will mean losing half of the food we grow. Here, then, is the question that we all must answer no matter where we live: Are we ready to give up half of the food we consume?

Add this huge question to the questionable scientific basis for increased flows, and we end up with regulation by insanity. Please, please, please, reconsider this crazed idea and consider the compromises that have been proposed!

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