

April 22, 2015

State Water Resources Control Board  
1001 I Street  
Sacramento, CA 95814

**RE: Draft Regulations for Urban Water Conservation**

Dear Chair Marcus and Members of the Board,

The City of Sacramento writes to comment on the proposed Emergency Mandatory Regulations. The City is making, and will continue to make, concerted efforts and significant investment to increase water conservation and reduce water usage in our community. We support the goal of the Governor and your Board to further that conservation.

We share the concern expressed in the comment letter of the City of Roseville, San Juan Water District, Placer County Water Agency, Carmichael Water District, El Dorado Irrigation District, and the Sacramento County Water Agency. The proposed regulations are not consistent with some of California's water laws, and in some respects mandate costly conservation efforts without attendant benefits, because they treat diverse factual situations as if they were the same. An example is the treatment of different sources of water, such as groundwater and surface water, in the same manner. The regulations, if adopted, should not be viewed as or establish a precedent for future actions.

The foregoing comment does not diminish the City's commitment to conservation and collaboration in light of the serious drought we all face.

Thank you for your consideration of our comments.

Sincerely,



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Director of Utilities