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Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Emergency Regulations for Statewide Urban Water Conservation. It is critical that drought-resistant and sustainable water supplies ratepayers have invested in deliver their water reliability benefits during drought conditions to support California's economy and quality of life. I urge the State Board to adopt the modifications to the existing emergency regulation to allow water agencies to achieve state water-use targets through a combination of conservation and sustainable drinking water supplies, such as desalination, potable reuse, and long-term transfers of conserved water. The State Board has a unique opportunity to incentivize the development of sustainable water supplies -- not only for this drought -- but to better prepare California for future droughts.

Local and regional agencies have made enormous investments towards drought resilient supply and water reuse, and continue to expand these programs to become LESS dependent on the State Water Project and other imported water sources. Incentivizing this is critical for LONG TERM solutions. Convincing ratepayers to continue to invest in these sources so that we can have local sustainability is critical to our water future. These supplies need to be included and accounted for by adapting the state mandate. Otherwise, the state is creating a disincentive for these regional and local efforts.