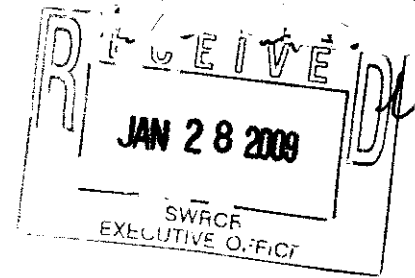


January 26, 2009

Ms Tam M Doduc, Board Chair
State Water Resources Control Board
1001 I Street, 24th Floor
Sacramento, CA 95814



Subject: M-L Quinn's Petition for Reconsideration dated January 2, 2009

Dear Ms Doduc:

I have reviewed and offer these comments in support of the subject petition concerning Water Right Permits No 16209, 16210, 16211 & 16212. Ms Quinn's request for your Board to reinstate these permits is both timely and her comments are well thought out and appropriate.

Your Board's decision to revoke the Bureau of Reclamation's permits (Board Order 2008-0045) may have been premature especially considering Ms Quinn's scenario as stated on page 6, para A suggesting President Obama's plans to initiate massive stimulus programs including water projects. If the Federal government ever decides not to build the Auburn Dam so another agency can construct it, the water permits could be transferred intact accordingly.

Ms Quinn's discussion of "cold storage" and "real water vs paper water" needs to be considered in your review of this petition. It is amazing to me that the environmental community requested your action to revoke Reclamation's water rights, as they have nothing to gain. They had effective use of the existing water flows all these years, and the environment would benefit further from the managed releases after the proposed upstream storage dam is built.

Thank you for considering these comments in conjunction with Ms Quinn's petition.

Sincerely,

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