



**This government must understand that the future of California farming, is the future of California.**

**Crops cannot grow without water. Water is a resource that now is being politically leveraged for the benefit of the environmental lobby in this state. The people that make the decisions at the State Water Resources Control Board seemingly have little or no interest in prioritizing PEOPLE and FAMILIES over FISH.**

**Like many Californians my wish is that we had an abundance of water for all of our needs. The brevity of this natural resources however constrains us to make CHOICES. One choice is to make fish a priority. The other is to put people before fish. Abandoning over 200,000 acres of farm production is a reprehensible and selfish misuse of power by state regulators. This farmland MUST be given the benefit of water to produce crops that feed and support THOUSANDS of Californians in this state. Hundreds of jobs, are at stake, not only in the farming industry, but in EVERY industry that supports the great food chain in this central valley. Higher rates for water and electricity could also be avoided, if we simply put PEOPLE before FISH.**

**I am calling on ALL of our legislators and Water Board Members to serve the People of California, NOT the environmental lobby, NOT a political party, NOT even your own self-interest. Serve the PEOPLE!!! Return the water to its true highest and best use; the crops that drive our state's economy.**

**PEOPLE OVER FISH! It's just that simple.**

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