

February 3, 2010

Jeanine Townsend
Clerk to the Board
State Water Resources Control Board
P.O. Box 100
Sacramento, CA 95812-0100

Dear Ms. Townsend:

Please convey to the State Water Resources Control Board that we strongly support the draft recommendation that Kern River water is not fully appropriated. We also strongly support the City of Bakersfield in its application to allow unappropriated water to flow from Lake Isabella Dam to the Kern Water Bank.

We have been involved with the Kern River Corridor Endowment and its actions to restore a riparian corridor along the Kern River bed for approximately 35 years. A great deal of progress has been made in those 35 years and that progress must continue.

In the past 10 years both of us have contributed hundreds of hours toward the restoration of the Panorama Vista Preserve, a 501 C3. (<http://panoramavista.org>).

The water flowing through the Kern River will not be wasted but will percolate into the ground water. The vegetation supported by the additional water will contribute to improved air quality, support wildlife as well as enhance the city of Bakersfield's overall environment.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

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