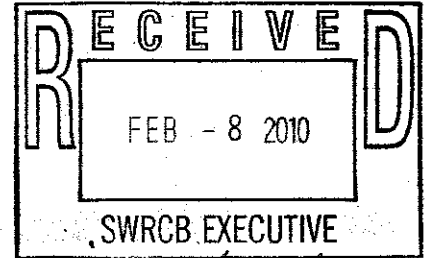


2/16/10 Bd. Mtg.
Kern River
Deadline: 2/9/10 by 12 noon

9000 Lemoges Way
Bakersfield, Ca. 93311
February 5, 2010

State Water Resources Control Board
P.O. Box 100
Sacramento, Ca. 95812



Dear Sirs:

As a long-time resident of Bakersfield, Calif., I am asking that you support the city of Bakersfield's application to run the unappropriated water down the historic Kern River channel.

By doing so, the city of Bakersfield and its citizens would benefit so greatly from the beauty & recreation possibilities the river would bring. The river would also restore our aquifer which has been dangerously depleted during the recent drought. I cannot imagine a more welcome addition to this city (hot & dry as it is) than to have a beautiful river.

Sincerely yours,
Jay F. Cook