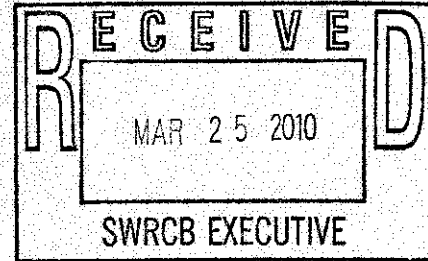


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Subject: Comment Letter – AB2121 Policy
February 2010 Draft North Coast Instream Flow Policy
Strong Objection to this Draft Policy and Request for Extension of Time

I request that these comments be made part of the administrative record for the Proposed Policy for Maintaining Instream Flows in Northern California Coastal Streams.

The proposed policy announced on February 18, 2010, was brought to our attention this past week. We purchased our home 35428 Fly Cloud Road, The Sea Ranch, CA in 1999. There was no disclosure on the water supply issues when purchasing our home. We were not advised that there was a development of the draft policy and subsequent comment review and analysis, that the State Water Board had redirected critical water right permitting staff to assist in policy development since 1995.

It is imperative that the State Board gives adequate notice under due process of law to the Sea Ranch residents to understand the February 2010 draft before making any adoption of the February 18, 2010 proposed policy. Keep in mind we should be looking at the best interests not only of the State, but also of the residents that live in the State and pay property taxes at The Sea Ranch who will be affected. We request adequate due notice to prepare a response and to express our concerns.

Forty-five days is an inadequate time for evaluation of the impact of a very complex and highly technical policy on specific sites. While The Sea Ranch has had the opportunity to do an initial evaluation of its impacts, I have not had the time needed to evaluate the economic effects on my property on The Sea Ranch, or on the larger coastal community. I request that the SWRCB extend the comment period for 90 days.

The SWRCB has scheduled one weekday hearing on the proposed policy, to be held in Sacramento, many hours drive for those whose lives will be affected by the proposed policy. I request that the SWRCB schedule workshops and hearings in the north coast region so that those citizens whose homes and livelihoods will be affected by the SWRCB's decisions may be heard.

Thank you for your consideration of these comments.

Very truly yours,

Robert & Deborah Fischler