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RE: Preliminary Staff Recommendations to Modify Cease & Desist Order WR 2009-0060

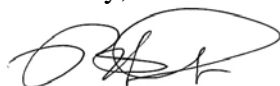
Dear Mr. Quint:

As a resident of, business owner in, and commercial property owner in the City of Monterey I am deeply troubled by the staff's preliminary recommendations. The residents and businesses on the Monterey Peninsula have taken water conservation to heart and we have cut and cut such that we use less water than about anywhere else in the State. The two areas of concern in the recommendations center on the effective diversion limit and the intrusion of a State agency into land use planning.

A diversion limit of 7,990 afa fails to accurately take into account prior water use and sets the stage for an economic disaster right when water projects are finally moving forward. Of even greater concern is the State's intrusion into local land use planning. The State has no business inserting itself into local land use planning and changes of use or zoning. Water uses for the commercial uses is already limited and overseen by the Monterey Peninsula Water Management Agency and there can be no intensification of water use on the commercial property. Adding an additional layer of bureaucracy does nothing to help the water situation on the Monterey Peninsula and sets a dangerous precedent for the future not just in Monterey but the entire State of California.

I urge the Commission to adopt the originally negotiated agreements and reject the staff's misguided recommendations.

Sincerely,



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