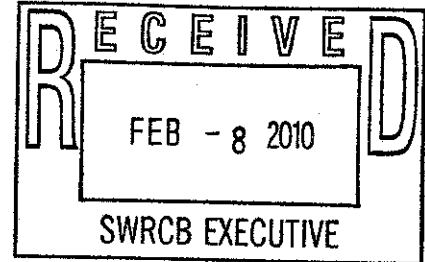


5409 Ranelagh Way
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February 6, 2009

State Water Resources Control Board
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Attn: Jeanine Townsend

I urge the State Water Resources Control Board to approve the draft recommendation to find that the Kern River is not fully appropriated and to support the City of Bakersfield's application to run unappropriated water down the historic Kern River channel.

I bike along the river and know the aesthetics would greatly improve if there was water flowing down through our city.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joyce Rufenacht".

Joyce Rufenacht