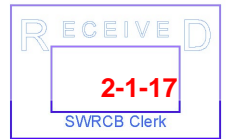


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Dear Chair Marcus and Honorable Members of the SWRCB;

Attached is the letter signed by our Board President requesting that the SWRCB let the current Drought Emergency Regulations expire at the end of February.

By any recognized hydrologic measure, there clearly is no longer a statewide drought emergency. Not recognizing that fact hurts the credibility of the state and local water agencies. Further, it lessens the meaning of the words "drought" and "emergency" in the minds of the public; the same public we will need to believe us and respond the next time there is a real drought emergency.

Please feel free to contact me if you should have any questions or need additional information.

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