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Dear State Waterboard Members:

I am an almond farmer in Hughson, Ca. and wanted you to read one more hard-luck story before deliberation is over.

I taught school for 33 years at Modesto City Schools and have been retired for 20 years. We purchased 14 acres way back, and started growing almonds to supplement my retirement income from MCS. Over the years, my wife and I have raised our kids and lived as frugal as possible in hopes of a fair amount of good retirement years.

I am almost eighty years old and find myself looking down the barrel of a shotgun ready to go off. The proposal to take 40% of Turlock and Modesto Irrigation water, and thus water from every farm from Merced to Oakdale, Waterford, Escalon, Riverbank, Salida, and those that I missed is unconscionable.

The unintended consequences are enormous at best. The bankruptcy and broken hearts will ^{be} shared throughout the communities. I for one will be forced to sell our farm, but we know property values will drop precipitously. If we stay here, our income will not have the almonds to supplement my retirement income. This situation will be played out through our local communities. The havoc will crush every little farm that tries surviving in this valley.

Its not as if we are asking for a handout. I have lived by the rules, spent four years

In the Marines, paid my way through college, taught at our local schools, and paid my taxes on time. I've worked as hard as any man could, but I'll be damn if I roll over on this one. I can't believe your going to use our water for salmon, nor do I believe it's for Brown's legacy.

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A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tyron Farley". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping "T" and "F".

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