



The “all or nothing” approach to enforcing curtailment of junior water rights is very destructive to growers who have made huge investments in infrastructure for perennial crops (trees, vines). It is very disheartening to have no water on my property where it has been farmed since 1895 and then drive to Santa Rosa and see huge green ornamental lawns (in front of the local newspaper the Press Democrat, for example). It would be great if there was a possibility of at least proportionately curtailing water so that we don’t permanently lose our vines and trees. This would be a more equitable approach that in the long run would keep the tax base healthier in our region.

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