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RE: Comment Letter – May 18, 2016 BOARD MEETING (Conservation Extended Emergency Regulations)

Dear Honorable Chairperson Marcus and Board Members:

The Cucamonga Valley Water District (CVWD) appreciates this opportunity to submit comments to the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) regarding the Proposed Emergency Rulemaking that will be considered by the State Water Board at its May 18th board meeting.

We appreciate the effort by the State Water Board and staff to modify the existing emergency water conservation regulation to reflect improved conditions and allow for more local decision making. The staff proposal would replace the existing mandatory conservation tiers with targets based on local supply and conditions which would better recognize agencies like CVWD which have developed water supplies that are reliable under severe drought conditions.

As mentioned in our previous comment letters as part of our long term planning CVWD has invested ratepayer dollars to develop, manage, and maintain a robust portfolio of reliable water supplies. While we appreciate the direction of the proposed regulations, the monthly reporting is seen as overly burdensome and unnecessary. We request that the State Board re-consider this requirement or make the reporting as efficient and streamlined as possible.

We appreciate your time in considering our comments on the proposed Emergency Regulation.

Sincerely,

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