

May 13, 2016



Jeanine Townsend, Clerk of the Board
State Water Resources Control Board
1001 I Street, 24th Floor
Sacramento, CA 95814

Sent via email to: commentletters@waterboards.ca.gov

Subject: May 18, 2016 BOARD MEETING (Conservation Extended Emergency Regulation)

Dear Ms. Townsend,

The City of Sacramento (Sacramento) writes in support of the Staff Proposal for Extended Emergency Regulation for Urban Water Conservation.

Sacramento appreciates the leadership of the State Water Resources Control Board (Water Board) in responding to the ongoing drought. In addition, we are thankful for the outreach that the Water Board members and staff have engaged in over the last several months. The proposed regulations reflect that the emergency is over but the drought may not be. The regulations appropriately make local water agencies accountable to meet demands should the drought continue.

Sacramento has worked to improve water use efficiency for several years but the drought has brought the value of water, and the need to use it efficiently, into sharp focus for our community. We look forward to building on the recent conservation gains and water use efficiency efforts that have occurred in Sacramento.

If you have any questions, please call Jim Peifer, Policy and Legislation Manager at (916) 808-1416.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "William O. Busath".

William O. Busath
Director of Utilities