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Subject: Our Water Crisis

Dear Mr. Brown,

As a resident of the Central Valley I am writing to you to discuss my concern about the prolonged struggle in our valley, water. It has become apparent that not all who use the water collected in our valley do their part in the conservation of its resources.

Although the amount of rainfall has increased this year over the previous ones, it still is not enough to supply all its' needs with a comfortable cushion of left over resources. When the water runs low citizens of the central valley are put on restrictions to conserve water; which is not the issue. The issue is that the people of Southern California regions, who use the same water as the central valley people, are not put on such strict restrictions. In order for the water in the valley to be properly preserved and kept at a safe sustainable level all people who use the water source should be set on the same guidelines to preserve it.

Personally, it is hard to feel as though my restrictions are making a difference when I see water being wasted every day in Southern California in ways that we would never allow in the area of the base of the problem. I have family and friends who are farmers and know that if this water crisis worsens many jobs will be lost and most of the valleys economic gains will be affected.

I am writing to request that you require all areas that use the same water resources to have the same restrictions and the same 'punishments' when it comes to the usage of the water. In order to make sure that the water is being properly kept after and conserved all guidelines and rules must apply to everyone, not just those who live closely to the problem. This way the whole state can be on the same path for the protection of our water and of the people who use that water to make a living.

Thank you for taking the time out of your day to read my letter regarding the water conservation crisis in California.

Sincerely,

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