DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS



WATER DISTRIBUTION DIVISION

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The Honorable Felicia Marcus, Chair and Members of the State Water Resources Control Board C/o Jeanine Townsend, Clerk to the Board State Water Resources Control Board 1001 | Street, 24th Floor Sacramento, CA 95814



Dear Chair Marcus and Members of the Board:

The City of Antioch appreciates the opportunity to provide input on potential revisions to the February 2016 Emergency Regulation. In response to the State Water Board's informational workshop announcement and request for input, we have the following comments:

- Water supply conditions have increased due to recent precipitation and snowpack.
 Conservation regulations need to reflect these changed conditions or water agencies risk losing public support, which is necessary to achieve required reductions in water use during a drought emergency.
- The water use prohibitions already in place should remain. Efficient use of our limited natural resources should remain a priority. The public has been supportive of these prohibitions and have changed habits accordingly.
- In determining any future conservation reduction requirements, more consideration should be given to regional climate variations and data collected within the region. Studies and weather data collected outside a water agency's service area should be considered if it is within the same microclimate.

Thank you for considering our comments to the Emergency Regulation. As a matter of priority, the City of Antioch continues to encourage its customers to use water wisely.

Sincerely,

Adam Molinar, Jr.

Water Distribution Superintendent

Cc: Ron Bernal, Public Works Director/P.E.