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Dear Members:

I know you have a great responsibility, and I do not envy you, but you must listen to the people who are the farmers who have no source of water for their crops than by pumping ground water. For many years I have been interested in the water situation here in California. Many years ago I went to Owens Valley and I saw what happened there, and it could every easily happen up here in Northern California, but I know you must be far more foresighted

We can not afford to let people pump and sell ground water. Many of those doing so are able to have two sources of water: their ground water and surface water. If they sell their ground water then they should not be allowed to have surface water. If that is allowed, then the money should go to the county if they are using two sources of water.

We can not afford to wait twenty years for study. We all saw what the past two winters has done. The flood damage has been astronomical. We need dams and reservoirs to catch the winter rains and the melting snow water. Californi's population is growing by the hour, and we know that water is a vital necessity for life , and it is a great urgency for something be done NOW. Who comes first worms, bugs, or little fish that no one has even heard about or the human race?

Thank you for your kind consideration and many long hours of work.

Sincerely,

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