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Dear Mr. Ritchie:

I am a fifth generation Santa Barbara County farmer. I am concerned about the future of farming in my area. I ask that you:

1. Lengthen the comment period;
2. Hold public hearings to explain the plan to us.

I do not believe CalFed has done enough to minimize farmland losses.

Sincerely,
Kenneth E. Doty

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