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Please do not take away our water. Our farmers do a good job keeping our food safe. Do you want your food to come from another county, where there is no control on pesticides, fertilizers and pest controls? Do you want food that is laced with pesticides and human waste like some people have?

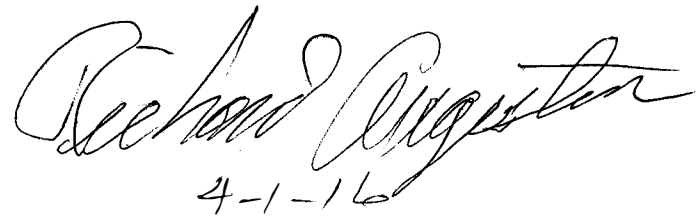
Who is going to feed us when the valley dries up? Just this last year water shortage killed some trees and damaged others. Another year of water shortage will finish some trees off.

I say, stop these big corporations from using our good farm and grazing land for mammoth farms, only to have a loss on their income taxes while taking our water (ground and irrigation water).

As far as the FISH goes, what made them survive before our dams were put in and the water ran down the rivers until it was all gone, then the rivers dried up? Where did the fish go? We still have fish!

I feel the water belongs to the farmers trying to make a honest living on their ground. Give them their WATER. It belongs to them. Their families are the ones who started the dams, so I feel it's theirs anyway. Don't sell to other places; they can de-salt their ocean water. Help the valley first, they started the dams.

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