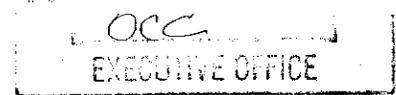


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Arthur Baggett, Jr.
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Dear Mr. Baggett:

As a resident and business person of the Imperial Valley I urge you to consider all factors involved with fallowing as a means of generating water for transfer to the coastal plain, San Diego. I urge you as a representative, whose decisions effect many people to learn from mistakes made in the past! Let's remember the Owens Valley and what happen when Los Angeles built an aqueduct diverting all their water! We want to protect the Imperial Valley's economic base, which provides an extraordinary amount of food for people and livestock in the United States and other parts of the world.

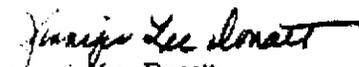
I urge you to consider the consequences of fallowing and the provisions already in place, which are currently being ignored!

- The transfer document signed between the *Imperial Irrigation District* and *San Diego Water Authority* expressly prohibits fallowing due to the severe job loss and economic dislocation that would ensue in the Imperial Valley.
- The original transfer agreement was based on active conservation measures and called for voluntary participation. Conservation needs to occur on both sides of the mountain not exclusively for the Imperial Valley! San Diego continues to build homes and business with no controlled growth! Now the politicians are trying to change the rules so that fallowing becomes the only option!
- The Salton Sea cannot be saved if we transfer water to the coast!

Mr. Baggett, I encourage you and your collegiate to consider the ramifications of fallowing and the direct impact it would have on our economy.

I appreciate your careful consideration of this extremely important issue not for just myself but future generations.

Sincerely,


 Jennifer Lee Donatt
 Branch Manager