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Via Email to commentietters@waterboards.ca.gov

Charles R. Hoppin, Chair and Members of the Board State Water Resources Control Board 1001 | Street Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: Comment Letter – AB 2121 Policy



The undersigned conservation and agricultural groups support the inclusion of the joint recommendations developed by Trout Unlimited, Wagner & Bonsignore and Ellison, Schneider & Harris in the State Water Board's Instream Flow Policy. Specifically, we support the Board's adoption of the April 27 draft redline Policy that includes the stakeholder joint recommendations highlighted in C.1.3. The April 27 draft is not perfect but it reasonably accommodates stakeholder and fisheries agency recommendations. Please note that the signatories to this letter may separately submit additional recommendations for the final policy consistent with our support for the April 27 draft.

Respectfully submitted,

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