



TO: Water Board

This is in reference to saving the Salton Sea.

We all know what happened at Owens Lake when the lake was dried up by the Los Angeles Metropolitan Water District. It caused havoc to all the near-by residents and this is exactly what is happening right now with the drying up of the Salton Sea.

Just this last year, one of the most severe atmospheric conditions occurred in the Coachella Valley due to the drying up of the Sea due to the selling of the agriculture water rights to the City of San Diego, thus lack of water flowing into the Salton Sea from the New River and the Alamo River. The stench that extended to the Los Angeles area was unbearable. People could not go outside because the stench was so strong in the Coachella Valley.

Unless water continues to flow into the Salton Sea, the conditions will just become more severe. As we all know, the Coachella Valley has now become one of the main tourist sites for the winter. It is also an attraction to many during Coachella-fest and Stagecoach. It is extremely important that water continues to flow to the Salton Sea and not let in become another Owens Lake.

Thank you

Sincerely

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