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The Honorable Armando Quintero
Chair, California Water Commission
P.O. Box 942836
Sacramento, CA 94236-0001

Dear Chairman Quintero:

Representatives of both the State Senate and State Assembly, we write to share our strong support for Temperance Flat's Proposition 1 Water Storage and Investment Program funding application.

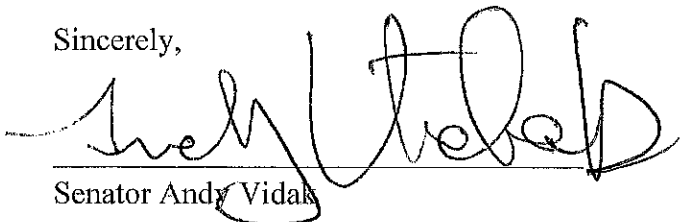
No region of California has suffered more or been impacted harder by California's drought than the San Joaquin Valley. While the drought has been difficult for the Valley, our region now faces flooding. The lack of controlled water storage and releases not only led to the severe impact the prolonged drought had on the Central Valley, but has also led to the inability to regulate this year's record breaking rain fall, causing flooding throughout the region.

Over the nearly three decades that Temperance Flat has been studied it has been shown there is a critical need to develop a facility to capture additional water in the San Joaquin River's watershed. The construction of Temperance Flat will increase storage capacity on the San Joaquin River by 1.3 million acre feet. This additional storage capacity will provide a broad array of public benefits including flood control, recreation, water quality, and emergency water supply; all public benefits highlighted in Section 8 of the 2014 Water Bond (Proposition 1).

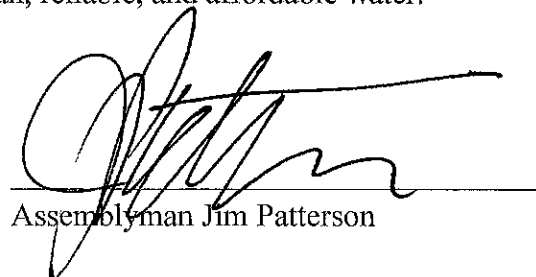
Temperance Flat will supply enough reliable clean water for 1 million households in the Central Valley that have had to rely on unstable water deliveries from current Federal and State water projects. As Californians, we must ensure that the San Joaquin Valley remains the nation's leading agricultural producer, and that we support the region's economic engine.

On behalf of members from both the State Senate and the State Assembly, we thank you for working to ensure our State's water infrastructure is resilient and protects our residents from both droughts and floods, while providing them with clean, reliable, and affordable water.

Sincerely,



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