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Congressman Kevin McCarthy
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Subject: Indian Wells Valley Groundwater Authority (IWVGA)
Dear Congressman Kevin McCarthy

This is my second communication to you regarding the subject issue. Again, repeating the information sent within my first letter, since the intrusion onto private property rights, which includes measuring water pumped out of private wells and imposing fees/taxes on every gallon of water pumped, has now been passed into actuality the California mandate is moving swiftly ahead regardless of the private-citizens' protests. Thus, I am again asking you, as this area's U.S. Representative in Congress, to bring this urgent matter to the attention of our U.S. Congress including the fact that the local citizens are fighting to stop intrusion by government from violating private property rights which include citizens' water rights plus the understanding that this California mandate does not address the root cause. The root cause has to be corrected in order to bring the natural flow of water back into the aquifer under the Indian Wells Valley.

Again, it is understood that this terrible California State mandatory regulation must be stopped at the top in California; i.e., Governor Brown and the Sacramento Senate and Assembly before it becomes another California political mess. However, the root-cause issue here is that Los Angeles, since 1913, has been diverting the naturally-created, flowing waters into their own aqueduct to service the Los Angeles area which is up to 300 miles south of the origin of these waters. LA has increased this diversion year after year to present day. These waters use to flow south via natural rivers, creeks and underground channels into our IWV aquifer and our aquifer here in our valley has experienced diminishing levels ever since. I sincerely believe (through my research) that the Federal Government does have jurisdiction based on the fact that the head waters actually originate on BLM and U.S. Forest Service-managed properties that belong to the U.S. Citizens.

I have also sent a letter of request for looking into this to President Trump at the White House. In addition, I have contacted my State Senator, Jean Fuller, and my State Assemblyman, Vince Fong to address this issue at the California State level.

I have been trying to set up a meeting with you on your next visit to Ridgecrest. My original request was answered with "Congressman Kevin McCarthy will be there for a general meeting...etc., etc. A "general meeting" is not appropriate for our discussion. I wish to have a meeting between just the two of us and any of your staff you feel appropriate.

Further and more complete information regarding citizen efforts to correct this California mistake can be found here:
<http://www.sdarabians.com/CAWaterGovernmentInterference.html>

Thank you,

Sincerely,

Lorry Wagner