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From: Javier Espinola <jgespinola@scu.edu>
Sent: Monday, May 13, 2019 11:33 PM
To: PTFerraro5@gmail.com; Clerk of the Board
Subject: Opposition for Freezing Ag Water Rates

To Whom It May Concern,

My name is Javier Espinola and I currently am a second year Santa Clara University student studying environmental science. I would like to express my explicit disagreement with freezings agricultural water rates at an ABSURD 94% discount, practically receiving water for free. The major proprietors of the ag industry make their millions with hardly spending a dime on the most precious resource known to man, water. There is simply no just argument for you folks to continue giving away our water for next to nothing. That is unjustified and simply wrong in all aspects. Increasing the price significantly of the water supplied to our agricultural producers, would enable us to collect dire funds in order to protect our open space preserves. The subsidies you are providing to these farmers with OUR tax dollars is ludicrous. If even a 20 year old young adult can see the importance to this issue, I am more than certain that the Valley Water Board can as well, at least I desperately hope so for the sake of our environment. Please take my words into consideration because I am demonstrating heart felt concern that tends to go ignored by most people. Thank you.

Best,
Javier Espinola
Concerned Citizen