

March 8, 2016

Martha Guzman-Aceves
State of California Governor's Office

RE: The Northern Tulare County Regional Water Alliance Surface Water Treatment Plant

Ms. Guzman-Aceves,

The Northern Tulare County Regional Water Alliance Working Group Members are working collaboratively from seven different severely disadvantaged communities (Cutler, East Oroshi, Monson, Oroshi, Seville, Sultana and Yettem) to plan and construct a regional surface water treatment plant to secure safe, reliable, affordable and sustainable drinking water. An engineering feasibility study has been completed and a governance study and community leadership process is underway. In order to expedite the process, the group would like to request that the Governor's office and the State Water Resource Control Board allow and fund Tulare County and Alta Irrigation District to move forward on a number of items while the governance study is being finalized. Attached is a chart showing a number of necessary procedures to set things in motion and this specific request is to allow for and fund items 2 through 8 as vital parts of this regional project's success.

Please also visit our website for more information at
<http://www.rcac.org/environmental/regionalization/ntc-water-alliance/>

Sincerely,

Working Group Members
Northern Tulare County Regional Water Alliance