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To whom it may concern,

I oppose this bill. It seems that water control is more about the potential revenue the state can derive from it's citizens. As rural residents,we have already made significant investments: thousands of dollars to drill our wells, install pumps, and lay pipes to bring water to our homes. We also cover the ongoing electricity costs and all maintenance and repair.

These costs borne by us, not by the state or any water company. Therefore if there are plans to monitor and/or start charging us for water usage, we should be reimbursed for our initial investment and future repair costs.

Monitoring will lead to charging fees. Monitoring equipment has a cost and once those fees are charged the state will begin to see it as a revenue source. It seems likely that controlling or monitoring water usage will have a ripple effect on both food production levels and overall costs.

Leave the rural areas alone.

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