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#### SB1154 Expansion of Restrictions Over Water Rights

This massive overreach is unwarranted and a violation of my rights as a property owner. My husband and I have worked hard all of our lives to retire with minimal financial responsibilities so we can sustain ourselves and our property without being a burden on the system. We have 13.98 acres with a well. We do not spray or use any sort of pesticide. We use a permaculture model where all water extracted from the well (for household use, garden and vegetation to stifle wildfire) returns to the ground. We do not utilize city resources and absolutely oppose government intervention into the management of our property and incurring additional taxes and fees for a resource that is part of our property. We do not use the water for personal gain.

Whatever reasons prompted this bill, has bled over to unassuming small property owners and we consider it a discriminatory act. I am not qualified to state whether or not the purpose of this bill was to be directed at corporations and large agricultural landowners; however, the moment you impose these outrageous regulations onto small acreages with wells, you are infringing on my rights. We are a retired couple who simply wants to live our remaining years in peace amongst the current chaos. Leave us alone, please!