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**From:** Michael Maloney <mcmaloney\_2000@yahoo.com>  
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**Subject:** Comments Re: SB-1153

Please accept my comments regarding SB-1153 - June 4th, 2025

Simple comment: I am completely opposed to any such regulation or statutes.

***The bill will add further unnecessary regulatory burden;  
The bill reduces local controls;  
The bill will imposes additional unnecessary cost burden;  
The provisions set forth in SB-1153 are too vague and undefined;  
The current local water transfer system is sufficient and effective for both the TID organization and its patrons';  
The bill would decrease local control.***

A few years back I worked with Chris Schull and his staff at TID to a transfer water rights from one of my own hay fields to another one of my hay fields. TID carefully scrutinize my request, worked with me to make sure the transfer was in the best interest of the TID and State collective water conservation goals. The process took me about six months, and required TID Board of Directors' approval, and was reviewed by the State before authorizing the transfer. The process cost for me was about \$2600.00 - to transfer about 3 acres of water rights within my own two fields.

In summary: TID is doing a great job with the existing water rights transfer processes and any further regulation(s) is unnecessary, burdensome, costly and unwarranted. I strongly oppose SB-1153.

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