

California State Senate

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NORTHERN CALIFORNIA'S SECOND SENATE DISTRICT



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Sheri K. Miller, P.E.
Mendocino District Engineer
Division of Drinking Water
STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD
50 "D" Street, Suite 200
Santa Rosa, CA 95404

Subject: Hidden Valley Lake Community Services District Water System ID #1710015
Compliance Order No. 02_03_14R_004

Dear Ms. Miller:

I am writing to express my support for lifting the Hidden Valley Lake Meter Moratorium. Wildfire recovery remains critical in Southern Lake County Communities, and it is essential that we encourage construction of homes in Lake County and the area near Hidden Valley Lake.

As you are well aware, the Valley Fire in 2015 destroyed 1,281 residential homes, while the Rocky and Jerusalem fires a couple weeks before claimed nearly 50 residences and many other structures. Then the Clayton Fire in August 2016 destroyed another 300 structures. You were an important partner as we faced disaster.

The survivors and local officials are still struggling to recuperate after multiple wildfires left thousands homeless and devastated. The circumstances of this community are dire and lifting this moratorium is critical to provide necessary water to build new homes, and to continue recovery. In addition, I believe the District has done a remarkable job, under difficult circumstances, to ensure the long term water supply for all of the parcels they oversee.

I urge you to fully consider lifting the Hidden Valley Lake Meter Moratorium.

Warmest regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mike McGuire".

MIKE MCGUIRE
Senator

