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March 16, 2023

Jason Gibbs
Mayor

The Honorable Pilar Schiavo
California State Assembly, District 40
1021 O Street, Room 4140
Sacramento, CA 95814

Cameron Smyth
Mayor Pro Tem

Dear Assemblywoman Schiavo:

SUBJECT: AB 1631 (Schiavo): SUPPORT

Marsha McLean
Councilmember

On behalf of the Santa Clarita City Council, I am writing to express our sincere appreciation and support for Assembly Bill 1631, relating to the permitting processes of the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB). The Santa Clarita City Council voted unanimously to support this measure on March 14, 2023.

Bill Miranda
Councilmember

This critical piece of legislation is thoughtfully designed to ensure that the SWRCB has accurate and current environmental records and allows for an opportunity for members of the public, community stakeholders, and interested parties to engage with the SWRCB on severely outdated water appropriation applications.

Laurene Weste
Councilmember

Our community has experienced a significant amount of growth in the last three decades, more than doubling in population to over 228,000 residents. With such rapid growth, the City of Santa Clarita has worked diligently and methodically to ensure that development planning and standards recognize the unique community needs, topography, and natural resources, including water availability, in the Santa Clarita Valley.

Assembly Bill 1631 is most welcomed and appreciated as this important legislation will allow the SWRCB to have a solid foundation upon which to base a credible decision regarding water appropriation applications that have been pending for more than 30-years.

Thank you for introducing this legislation and we look forward to working with you in support of this measure. For these reasons, the City of Santa Clarita strongly supports Assembly Bill 1631. Should you or your staff require any further information regarding our position on this bill, please feel free to contact



Honorable Pilar Schiavo

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Intergovernmental Relations Officer Masis Hagobian at (661) 286-4057 or mhagobian@santa-clarita.com.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jason Gibbs". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Jason" being larger and more prominent than the last name "Gibbs".

Jason Gibbs

Mayor

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