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Via email transmission

Orange County Water District
18700 Ward Street
Fountain Valley, CA 92708

Dear Honorable Board of Directors:

Serrano Water District (SWD) sends this letter in support of OCWD's proposed approach to assisting producing agencies with PFAS issues, as memorialized in the draft policy that is currently pending approval by the OCWD Board of Directors (OCWD Board). Within the approach the OCWD Board will consider on November 20, 2019, it appears that OCWD is leaning towards funding the full capital costs of building treatment as well as a up to a \$75 per AF share towards future operations and maintenance of PFAS treatment facilities once constructed.

While SWD is very appreciative of the steps OCWD has taken to date, we'd ask that OCWD remain open to other reimbursement scenarios once pilot studies are completed and more cost data is available. The \$75 per AF O&M reimbursement proposed in the Policy is certainly a step in the right direction, but SWD believes further discussion on the topic of O&M may be warranted in the future as OCWD and the Producers learn more about the magnitude of the PFAS problem within the region.

SWD appreciates all that OCWD is doing to assist producers with the challenges posed by the PFAS issue. Any assistance provided by OCWD to SWD so that it can continue to provide safe drinking water meeting the State's future regulatory requirements is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

Jerry Vilander
General Manager

cc: Mike Markus
SWD Board of Directors