



August 29, 2024

The Honorable Rebecca Bauer-Kahan
California State Assembly
1021 O Street Suite 6320
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: AB 460 – State Water Resources Control Board: Interim Relief - Watch

Dear Assembly Member Bauer-Kahan:

The Orange County Water District (OCWD) writes to update our opposition from 2023 on AB 460 – State Water Resources Control Board (Board): Interim Relief. AB 460 no longer impacts Orange County Water District due to amendments to the bill in 2024; Therefore, OCWD has a watch position.

As background, OCWD manages a vast groundwater basin that provides 85% of north and central Orange County's drinking water supply for 2.5 million people. We maintain one of the world's most advanced aquifer recharge systems to sustainably replace water pumped by 19 local cities and water agencies, and we operate the world's largest water purification system for potable reuse, the Groundwater Replenishment System (GWRS). Reusing highly treated wastewater that would have been discharged to the Pacific Ocean, the GWRS produces up to 130 million gallons per day of potable water and recycles 100% of the reclaimable water.

Should you have any questions please contact Legislative Affairs Liaison, Alicia Harasty at (714) 477-3750 or aharasty@ocwd.com.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Cathy Green".

Cathy Green
OCWD Board President