

November 12, 2017

The Honorable Douglas A. Ducey
Governor State of Arizona
1700 West Washington Street
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Irrigation and Drainage District, Mohave County, Arizona

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Sincerely,

Mark Adams
4952 E. Monarch Dr.
Topock, AZ 86436-0053

Governor Ducey,

The water grab in Mohave County is not acceptable. We want to keep the water for ourselves for future growth. Buying up farmland by outsiders not living in the community to get the acre feet of water is tantamount to thievery. And if you let it happen we will elect someone who won't let it happen next time around.

Craig Vallon
1817 Riverside Drive
Bullhead City, AZ 86442

Dear Governor Ducey,
As a 50 year resident of Bullhead City, AZ I wish to alert you to the fact that my family and I (voters Rep.) wish for you to know that we are very much against the land and water grab going on in Mohave County and want to keep OUR WATER. it belongs to us and we need it for our future development. Please do not let these thieving pirates obtain our most precious resource right out from under our noses.
Regards,
Denise Rene' Atwater-Vallon
1817 Riverside Drive
Bullhead City, AZ 86442

Just because we live in rural Arizona we are not any less important than the metropolitan area. It's the desert we will always need our water, for future growth as well as the landmass farms, we like our farm areas, that is part of what brought us to the area, now you want to take our water & farm areas away? It should be a vote from the people here not big government!!!
Carolyn Boen
10060 S. Rincon Drive
Mohave Valley, AZ 86440

Please disallow any water rights to leave Mohave Valley and be diverted. Central Arizona Project is buying up farmland and with it water rights. Our water needs to stay here. We barely have enough as it is. We don't want our communities to turn into the Owens Valley in California.
Thank you,
Teresa Brown
663 E. Gordon Drive
Mohave Valley, AZ 86440

November 7, 2017

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Sincerely, Chad Cane

cc: CAWCD Board of Directors

Mohave county should not allow water be transferred from the Colorado River at any time. The river is our tourist interest for people to come fish and have fun.

Thank you

Carole Canonge

1769 Sea Creek Drive

Bullhead City, AZ 86442

Dear Governor Ducey, I strongly voice my opposition to the CAWDC acquisition of water rights in Mohave County only to be transferred outside the district. We need to keep our water here in our district for farming and development. I would appreciate a reply. Thank you for great work for Arizona.

Joseph Cuddihy
1230 Riverview Drive
Bullhead City, AZ 86442

Dear Gov, I'm a resident of Fort Mohave, Az. Please help us as citizens of Mohave Valley to retain our water rights for future growth and expansion of Mohave Valley. As we enter into 2018 and the future water will become an issue with every citizen of Arizona. I look to our neighbors in Nevada and California and I don't like what I see. Buying out Farmer's water rights to funnel to larger cities is not the answer. I don't and I believe that as others become aware of this situation they won't approve of the possibility of our area becoming another Owens Valley. As voters we have to be aware of our future. Thank you Governor Ducey and once again remember us and we will remember you.

Alfred Flores
6057 S. Kodiak E
Fort Mohave, AZ 86426

Please don't allow the water rights in mohave valley be taken from our us!! We also look forward to eventually having our area grow in the future and need this water! Show us support please!

Penny Flores
6057 S. Kodiak E
Fort Mohave, AZ 86426

Do not let our water be taken from Mohave Country. We need it for our future to grow.

Terry Grant

I'm writing your office requesting on behalf of Golden Valley az and Mohave county that something has to be done with the county and investigation needs to happen on spending the corrupt behavior our supervisors are doing and what's not being done for the taxpayers and spending foolishly the taxpayers money Goldenvalley has grown significantly in the last 9 yrs since we have purchased are land and home taxes are high for what no infrastructure out here nor will they let it happen always voted down or an excuse by the bos or city of Kingman so much corruption in these two offices what are we the taxpayers to do. We all know that live in Golden Valley that the best thing for us here is to incorporate it and let us be our own city we have well over enough home owners and taxpayers here to take on our own city but

always shot down by the city what doesn't he city have to do with Goldenvally anyways why is laws being placed into effect with out us taxpayers voting on them or money being spent foolishly we need help governor ducey and we are calling on you and your office to help We want incorporated and we want a grocery store and we want our tax dollars spent the way they should be spent we want growth in the valley not for people to hold us back from growing and bettering Goldenvally.

Thanks Jesse Hlas

Against the water transfer

Karen Hough

2000 Ramar Road Lot 484

Bullhead City, AZ 86442

As we all know water is a precious commodity in Arizona. As a resident of Fort Mohave and a small business owner in Bullhead City, we strongly oppose the transfer of water rights away from our region of Mohave Valley. We came to Mohave county River Valley as it has adequate water to sustain and encourage economic growth. Transferring this water away will be a detriment to growth which lowers tax revenue and discourages investment into the region. This is not good for Arizona or Mohave county. We also oppose the transfer of water from Quartsite to any other inland region as it will deplete the reserves on the Colorado River. Wallstreet (which is the driver of these transfers) is not interested in whats good for Arizona, they simply want to take money out of Arizona. Phoenix and Tuscon are not the only regions in which you govern. Please ensure you represent all Arizona residents and prevent any water from leaving the Mohave Valley and Colorado River region.

Joe Keunen

2106 Highway 95

Bullhead City, AZ 86442

The Central Arizona Project aqueduct system wants to take water from our area in Mohave Valley to help Phoenix area and I want to ask you to stop this. We are so limited on services and water that we can't afford to lose is trying to be taken this is devastating to us in Mohave County. Our ground water is drying up and the river lower than ever plus the quality of water is not the best but we need every drop. Our farmers are keeping us from becoming a vast dust bowl and we who live here will lose any and all value on our property let alone not be able to afford to bathe, cook or drink water...PLEASE STOP THIS FROM HAPPENING. We are Arizona as much as the Valley and we already feel like a stepchild that gets ignored. Please don't let it get worse.

Margaret Marcelak

10214 S. Jamaica Drive

Mohave Valley, AZ 86440

November 15, 2017

Rosemary Mays
4493 San Felipe Rd
Bullhead City, AZ 86426

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November 18, 2017

Re: Purchase and Sale Agreement for CAWCD to acquire water rights and land in Mohave Valley Irrigation and Drainage District, Mohave County, Arizona

Dear Governor:

As residents of Fort Mohave in Mohave County we vehemently oppose the purchase and sale agreement for CAWCD to acquire water rights and land in Mohave Valley Irrigation and Drainage District, Mohave County.

Purchasing property just to obtain the water rights and move that commodity hundreds of miles away is just wrong on many levels.

Provides no incentive to conserve (just purchase more property and take their allotments). Our growth will stagnate, and our economy will suffer.

At the recent annual conference in Las Vegas for the Colorado River Water Users Association, which you attended, emphasis was on the need for conservation efforts and governance of the Colorado River water supply. Especially, as Lake Powell is 45% below capacity, Lake Mead is at an all-time low and the threat of the 16th year of drought is very real, the need for conservation and governance of this water supply should be taken very seriously. Allowing this transaction to proceed will not accomplish any of those goals.

The CAWCD has tried before to obtain the water rights and the Mohave County Supervisors turned them down both times, now they are taking devious measures to obtain those rights. Instead of using \$34 million in funds to buy and divert water from a rural county why not use those funds to find a solution within their own area. Work with the Arizona State University, Kyle Center to develop a conservation plan, control their growth until they have the natural resources to adequately support it. Taking water from one area and moving it to another might be a quick fix, but until a conservation plan is in place they will soon be looking for other areas to take from, putting those areas into jeopardy.

KEEP OUR WATER HERE

Sincerely,

Jim and Gail Mendoza

6172 S. Kodiak East

Fort Mohave, Arizona 86426 (gail.mendoza@yahoo.com) (928) 770-4334

November 16, 2017

Michael & Julie Ann Moody
Property Owners in the MVIDD Water District
1865 E. Cottonwood Lane
Mohave Valley, AZ 86440

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Bill Gornet
8424 South Boundary Peak Drive
Mohave Valley, AZ 86440
702-604-6236

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I am a concerned citizen living in the area covered by Mohave Valley Irrigation and Drainage District (MVIDD).

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This is concerning because: 1. it changes the nature of the area we live in and very well could affect property values in a negative way. 2. Once CAP establishes that they can access our allotment on a rotating basis they may use that to establish our agricultural allotment can be lessened so they can use the water to build housing on existing along the I10 corridor. As a frequent visitor to the valley I have witnessed the demise of farmland to developers. 3. The MVIDD already has a resolution that none of the agricultural allotment can go out of Mohave Valley. This sale is contingent upon the MVIDD board changing the existing resolution.

As our governor we are calling on you to help us. We love our county and want to see it prosper; not fall victim to the might of the builders in Maricopa and Pima. Please help us!

Nan Nicoll
4096 S. Cassidy Court
Fort Mohave, AZ 86426

I am a concerned Arizona citizen living in Mohave County and concerned about the water theft happening by the Mohave Valley Irrigation and Drainage District (MVIDD). The Central Arizona Project is trying to close escrow on farm land in our community, for \$34 million in January 2018. The land holds 90% of our leftover Colorado River Water allocations for our community. The sellers sit on the MVIDD board. They are MVIDD board members selling to C.A.P.

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Sincerely, Royanne Ortiz

1550 Monte Vista Drive

Bullhead City, AZ 86442

November 6, 2017

Dear Governor Doug Ducey

For your information, 90% of our Leftover Colorado River Water allocations for our community and the sellers are sitting on the MVIDD Board! This is UNFAIR state policy!

Our names are Jack & Barbara Pape, and we are concerned Arizona citizen living in Mohave Valley Irrigation and Drainage District (MVIDD).

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Sincerely,

Jack & Barbara Pape

4663 S. Apollo Street (commercial building)

Fort Mohave, AZ 86426

& 3908 Jamboy Way (residential)

Bullhead City, AZ 86442

928-758-2639

Governor Ducey, I am against the water transfer from Mohave County to the Phoenix area.

Martha Pierce

2620 E. Mary Avenue

Fort Mohave, AZ 86426

Save our water.

Bullhead City is a wonderful place to live. Do not spoil Mohave County.

Do not stop the growth.

Save our water.

Diana Pipher

442 Chardonnay Way

Bullhead City, AZ 86429

We are about to lose the water rights of 2200 acres, amounting to 13,900 acre feet of water due to a potential sale of those rights. This must be stopped. Central Arizona Project has approved the purchase totaling \$34 million dollars. There are 7 Mohave Valley farms involved. Shame on the farm's owners' who only care about the big bucks going to their pockets. This sale will greatly cripple any future growth, not to mention more businesses. We may be rural AZ but we are no less important than the 2 big cities of Phoenix and Tucson. There was a resolution passed in 1989 and updated in 2008 that prohibits the transfer of contracted water outside of the Mohave Valley Irrigation and Drainage district. 76% of the water allocation is for agriculture but is not designated agriculture only.

I hope you can take the time to become informed on this issue. Our district supervisor is Lois Wakimoto who is a longtime resident/farm owner. She and we need your help.

Betty Pozenel

5574 S. Crater Lake Court

Fort Mohave, AZ 86426

Please help Mohave County residents to disapprove the Central AZ Project purchase of our county farmland and water rights, which would cause our water to be taken to Phoenix. Our growing, lush farm area would be a dustbowl, residents would lose ability to buy acreage with water rights, once sold, and once those rights are shipped out, we will never get it back. Please help find a way to keep Mohave County water rights in Mohave County only.

Thanks,

Martina Sanders

1030 E. Mulberry Drive

Mohave Valley, AZ 86440

Governor Ducey,

I want to appeal to your better judgment in not allowing the sale of farm land for the wrong reason of obtaining water rights. Unscrupulous buyers and entrepreneurs from outside the city limits are trying to

steal our water for their monetary gains. This is not right and I ask that you look into this serious practice before the deadline and sale. Mohave County needs this water and Bullhead City was nothing until people realized that we sit on the Colorado River. Now that water is more precious than gold they want to rob us blind!

Seriously Concerned,
Chance Vallon
1383 Riverfront Drive
Bullhead City, AZ 86442

November 19, 2017

Luke & Sabrina Walters
Residents of Mohave County
1650 E Willow Drive
Mohave Valley, AZ 86440

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Sincerely,

Emma Watson
P.O. Box 5280
Mohave Valley, AZ 86446

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