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Dear Ms. Colvin,

I am a long-time resident of Los Altos Hills - over 35 years - and am a member of two Town committees.

I strongly support Assembly Bill 1881: Water Efficient Landscape Ordinance.

Our residents use an average of 3.5 times more water per capita than our neighboring communities in three counties (Alameda, San Mateo, and Santa Clara). In the past decade we have been typically 35-45% over our water allocation. This enormous water usage is primarily due to large lawns. This has been confirmed by our local Purissima Hills Water District.

The passage of AB 1881 will be a very positive step in reducing water usage for landscaping in our community. It will help our Town's planners resist the enormous pressure to approve landscaping plans that require excessive amounts of water.

I applaud the DWR's efforts to face up to the water crisis and impose new legislation that will help communities like ours achieve real water savings.

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