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**Subject:** RE: IMPORTANT - DRAFT Agricultural Water Measurement Regulation

Don't we get a chance to review and evaluate and consider the economic impacts of the proposed regulation prior to being asked to vote on whether or not it is acceptable?

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**Subject:** RE: IMPORTANT - DRAFT Agricultural Water Measurement Regulation

Good Afternoon Agricultural Stakeholder Committee Members and Alternates.

As described in the email below from Manucher Alemi, DWR would like to assess the levels of support or lack thereof for the proposed Agricultural Water Measurement Regulation. As we discussed at the last ASC meeting, DWR has reviewed and considered all ASC and A2 Subcommittee input. The document provided to you on Saturday represents what DWR staff intend to submit to their leadership and (as potentially modified) to the California Water Commission. In accordance with your ASC Charter, we request you to do the following:

1. Review the proposed DRAFT Regulation sent on Saturday, March 19.
2. Discuss (as appropriate or warranted) your perspectives on the proposed regulation with your Alternate and/or other colleagues and constituents.
3. Review the following levels of support and disagreement from the ASC Charter.

**Unqualified Support:** Full agreement with all aspects of proposal

**Strong Support** for most aspects of proposal. No fundamental disagreements with any aspect of proposal.

**General Support** for all or most aspects of a proposal. No fundamental disagreement with key aspects of proposal. Includes having unanswered questions that need additional information or clarification.

**Qualified Disagreement:** Significant disagreement with one or more aspects of proposal; however, can live with the proposal as packaged. (i.e. Overall, suggested proposal is better than leaving things as they are now). In this "not happy, but I'll live with it" option, parties will be asked to work on generating alternative options or language that address the concerns of all.

**Fundamental Disagreement** with key aspects of proposal. Not willing to support or live with the proposal as it stands. Parties with this opinion must suggest alternatives that move the proposal toward accommodating the interests of all.

4. By March 25 at 5:00, please send an email to the following email addresses: [malemi@water.ca.gov](mailto:malemi@water.ca.gov); [baryohay@water.ca.gov](mailto:baryohay@water.ca.gov); [jemaa@water.ca.gov](mailto:jemaa@water.ca.gov); [dceppos@ccp.csus.edu](mailto:dceppos@ccp.csus.edu);
5. In the body text of the email, please identify your Name, Organization, and level of support or disagreement. Please be sure that we receive only one response from each ASC organization. If you are at the "Fundamental Disagreement" level, and would like to propose an alternative approach that meets your interests and the interests of other ASC Members, you are encouraged to include that suggestion in the body text of the email and/or as an attachment to the email. Please provide section citations from the Regulation as a means to best track your proposal.

DWR will provide the ASC and other interested parties, the outcomes of this polling process sometime during the week of March 28<sup>th</sup>.

On behalf of my CCP team and to echo what was said below by Manucher, it has been a privilege to work with you over the past several months. Your dedication, intellect, and sense of humor has been a pleasure to experience and be a part of. Thank you for the opportunity to have served you on this important task. We look forward to seeing you soon in other SBx7-7 ASC efforts.

Sincerely,

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*"The family began as--and remains--a survival unit, with parents agreeing to care for the kids, the kids agreeing to carry on the genes and all of them doing what they can to make sure no one gets eaten by wolves." - Jeffery Kluger*

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This message is sent on behalf of Manucher Alemi.

Dear Agricultural Stakeholder Committee Members and Alternates,

I am pleased to provide for your consideration, the Draft Agricultural Water Measurement Regulation, dated March 18, 2011.

On a personal level, on behalf of the project team, and on behalf of the Department of Water Resources, I want to thank you for the extraordinary effort you have put into this regulation. Your task as the ASC, and to an even larger extent, your A2 Subcommittee has been invaluable as together we have forged through the numerous challenges embedded in writing this regulation. After more than six months, many meetings and hundreds of hours, you have educated us with the information, insights, and risks associated with various approaches to this regulation.

As we move towards submitting the Draft Regulation to DWR management and to the California Water Commission (CWC, we know that the document may not achieve everyone's interests perfectly. We know that some of you will support it, to various degrees, and some members perhaps may still have concerns about parts of it. Regardless, we thank you for your effort, dedication, and patience as we have tried to craft a workable regulation to carry out the responsibility given us by the State Legislature.

Next week you will receive an email from the Center for Collaborative Policy (CCP) describing the voting process we hope the ASC members will participate in. It is important to us to be able to communicate to the DWR management and CWC where the ASC is regarding support (or lack thereof) for the Draft Regulation. As you know, once the Draft Regulation is submitted to the CWC there are opportunities for public comment. Please closely review the regulation and wait for instructions from CCP. Our goal is that once you have received the instructions and reviewed the document, you will provide your input to CCP by March 25, 2011.

In closing, thank you again for all your support. We look forward to working with you on the other SBx7-7 agricultural projects, coming soon.

Sincerely,

Manucher Alemi