

## City of Santa Barbara

## Public Works Department

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Mona Miyasato, County Executive Officer County of Santa Barbara

Mono Dear Ms. Miyasato:

As you are aware, the City of Santa Barbara, along with the rest of the South Coast of Santa Barbara County, are ground zero for this unprecedented drought. One of our tools for reducing demand during such events is to enact appropriate water use regulations to help manage dwindling water supplies within the City's service area. The City's service area includes areas outside the City limits, primarily in Mission Canyon and the Barker Pass area, along with County property within the City. These areas are not explicitly subject to the City's water use regulations, thereby causing confusion and inequalities.

Accordingly, we are requesting support from you and your staff to work to develop an action by the Board of Supervisors to apply the City's regulations to all remaining areas not explicitly regulated by the City, so that all users of City water are subject to the same restrictions. To that end, we would like to request a meeting with you and Deputy Public Works Director, Tom Fayram, at the earliest possible date to initiate that process.

As we enter a potential sixth consecutive year of extraordinarily dry weather, we are facing enormous challenges in maintaining a sufficient water supply. We are currently contemplating increased water use regulations as early as November 2016. We look forward to hearing from your office shortly to schedule such a meeting. Please have your staff contact Joshua Haggmark, Water Resources Manager, at (805) 564-5393 or at <a href="mailto:JHaggmark@SantaBarbaraCA.gov">JHaggmark@SantaBarbaraCA.gov</a> to discuss and schedule a mutual time to meet.

Sincerely,

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