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Cc: Mark Hoffman; Joe Cardoza
Subject: Groundwater Pumping Cap

Dear GKGSA Directors;

I am a second-generation farmer and have owned our current properties since 1970 or earlier. I am concerned about the transfer limit of 3 miles. This seems arbitrary and specifically penalizes those that have planned since the inception of the new SGMA law in 2014. In order to comply with SGMA it is necessary for us to be able to transfer water from farm to farm in the same GSA basin. I believe that our properties run along the same underground river flows. From my rough analysis, removing a fixed amount of water from these rivers no matter what position along the river it is removed will make little long-term effect. Mid Kaweah GSA is allowing water transfer between one owner's fields or ranches across the GSA. I understand that underground water flow is complicated, but I believe a more reasonable transfer limit would be on the order of 10 miles or greater.

Regards,

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