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**To:** LUEG, GroundWater, PDS  
**Subject:** GSP Comment

I am a home owner at the Borrego Air Ranch (BAR). I have reviewed the proposed GSP and personally believe that it treats me and the other residents of the BAR unfairly. The BAR has been a good steward of the water under our immediate area for over 60 years. The residents have been educated in efficient use of household water, and in the efficient use of landscape irrigation. The proposed GSP requires all non-de-minimis pumping sectors to make exactly the same percentage of reductions from their Base Allocation. I object to the proposed GSP because the reduction is equally applied to all sectors despite facts that contradict GSP's shotgun approach logic.

The GSP's stated mandate is to bring the aquifer into sustainable equilibrium. That is exactly what the Borrego Air Ranch has done with the aquifer under our feet..... **it has been for years, and is in equilibrium today!!**

**The Borrego Air Ranch has long history of conservative water use, which is demonstrated by the fact that our water levels are stable and have not gone down over the past 60 years.** The BAR should not be punished by being forced to make the same reductions as a other sector pumpers that have depleted the aquifer under their wells. It is the Borrego valley agriculture industry that has squandered the water under their feet over the past 60 years. It is the Ag Sector that has drawn the water table down 126 feet in their area. It is the Ag Sector who has placed the entire Borrego community at risk. It is the Ag Sector who should have to reduce their usage by whatever percentage required, or stop pumping until the aquifer in their area is in equilibrium. To hold the BAR to the same reductions as Ag or other over users is not logical; it is not equitable; it is not fair. The BAR should get a Medal of Merit for keeping our aquifer in sustainable equilibrium!!!

**Thus, I as a resident, respectfully request that the Borrego Air Ranch be exempted from the proposed GSP**

Respectfully submitted,

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