

May 4th, 2019

To: County of San Diego Planning & Development Services

c/o: Jim Bennett

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Subject: Comment to the Borrego Valley Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP)

Dear Mr. Jim Bennett,

I am writing you in response to an opportunity to comment on the Borrego Valley Groundwater Sustainability Plan.

I believe the goal of any plan is to enhance awareness and take care of the environment while taking care of our responsibility to our water supply. I bought my property at the Air Ranch back in the 70's. My goal has always been to have a small retirement home which also houses my airplane. Everyone at the ranch prides themselves on taking care of the environment and being very frugal with water consumption. We all want to be good stewards of our desert and continue to live at The Borrego Air Ranch. The plan currently does not include our small community as a de minimis user given by the general reference to acreage in the GSP. We respectfully request that since we are a de minimis user, the acre feet definition not be the only way in addressing communities such as ours and language be added to allowing those who have a de minimis effect on the aquifer be included regardless if they meet the acre feet definition.

If this change to the plan does not occur, we will lose our community and retirement plan. We can't imagine your organization wanting to eliminate our community. Please hear our voice and make the critical change to the GSP.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Goodrich