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**Ref: Borrego Valley Groundwater Sustainability Plan**

**Mr. Jim Bennett**

**During the last four plus years many of us have spent hundreds of hours working the over draft problem I don't recall there being any discussion that the plan for setting the pumping reductions would be established through negotiations with the pumpers to establish a Stipulated Agreement. Some question that could have been asked if shared with the A/C are; I would like to present now.**

- **Who are representing the Core team?**
- **Are all of the sectors included in the negotiations?**
- **Will the results of the negotiations be shared with the A/C before they are incorporated in the GSP?**
- **If the Stipulated Agreement is established can the reductions start while the two year CEQA review takes place?**
- **Will a consideration to front load the reductions to bank water to protect the program from possible unknown problems that may come up during the 20 year span of the GSP? (IE; multiyear drought resulting in reduction of recharge)**
- **Is the reductions that the rate payers have already achieved being considered?**

**If there are sufficient representation in the negotiations, it would greatly reduce the possibility of litigation, which is a good thing for he program.**

**It would be helpful if the Core Team would summarize the comments on the GSP received and share them with the A/C prior to the next meeting.**

  
**Jim Wilson, Member at Large, Advisory Committee**