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Allen Carlisle
CEO/General Manager
Padre Dam Municipal Water District
9300 Fanita Parkway
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Dear Mr. Carlisle and Padre Dam Board of Directors:

As the elected representative for California's 38th Senate District, it is my pleasure to reiterate my strong support and commitment to the East County Advanced Water Purification Program (Program). I fully support Padre Dam Municipal Water District and the East County Advanced Water Purification Program's continued efforts to make this Program one of the first approved Surface Water Augmentation projects in California. This programs serves as an innovative example to others in California to achieve State recycled water goals.

Water supply reliability is an issue that is crucial not only in my district but throughout the state of California. This Program is a great example of innovation and collaboration by demonstrating how multiple agencies can work together to provide the best services for our communities and ensures future water supply reliability. I understand the Program has received State Revolving Fund money. I strongly support any additional State funding to further make this East San Diego County Program affordable for our ratepayers.

I commended you and Padre Dam for your "foresight and commitment to working with all stakeholders" and I am proud to highlight that your leadership and progress has only increased over the years to navigate a complex program alongside your East County AWP partners: the County of San Diego, City of El Cajon and Helix Water District.

Water supply challenges have increased in severity as our region has experienced increased periods of drought and projected increases in the cost of importing water. The East County AWP goal of delivering a reliable, clean, drought-resistant and sustainable source of water will protect the health, independence and economic prosperity of our east county communities. The grants and low interest loan that you have secured for this important program are impressive, as is the collaborative and transparent approach that all program partners have sustained, while engaging thousands of community members who have toured the Visitor's Center and Demonstration Facility.

Thank you again for your leadership and know that I am here to assist in the completion and successful operation of this important infrastructure asset for our region.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "B. Jones", written over a horizontal line.

Brian W. Jones
Senator, District 38