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Jerry Olds
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State Engineer
1594 W. North Temple, Suite 220
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Dear Mr. Olds,

I am writing to you to disuse the issue of the water rights, concerning the Enterprise/Escalante Valley. If you continue with the "Safe Yield" it would reduce our water by 50% therefore putting many of our farmers out of business and make farming for the rest of them very difficult.

Our small city of Enterprise has plans for economic growth, but if you pass this water rights law, the city will not have enough water to make such changes. It will also be hard to provide for the present residents. The farmers believed the currant water rights would not change, and therefore invested millions of dollars in pumps, sprinklers, buildings, pipelines and equipment. To suddenly decide to take the water rights that the state of Utah has given them is considered unfair, especially when the water levels in our basin is way fuller then it was before.

Although Enterprise is not actually in the Escalante Valley, seeing a county line divides us, it will impact us greatly. If more then 50% of our water is cut, Enterprise will cease to grow. Please consider this letter very carefully, for it will decide what will happen to our town and no body wants to see anything change that drastically.

Please make this letter a public record.

Sincerely,

Jena Allred