

## **HAVE YOUR VOICE BE HEARD AND SOON!**

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  - Letter must be 300 words or less and must be received by noon the Monday.
  - Letters will appear, space available, and in order of receipt. Individuals may turn in one letter per 30 days.
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For ideas, here is a sample letter ... don't just copy, but make your own.

In the midst of historic drought, California still has no political will to protect its citizens, farmers and environment. When we put corporate profits over people, we make decisions that affect families all across this great state.

At the Headwaters of the Sacramento River, Crystal Geysers Water Company, (a subsidiary of Otsuka Pharmaceutical, Japan) has the right to use as much water as they want to, which puts neighboring domestic wells at risk. They are extracting groundwater less than 2,000 feet from Sacramento River at Big Springs in Mt. Shasta.

How can this be allowed when domestic wells are running dry, citizens must cut back water usage by 25%, farmers are fallowing fields and junior water rights holders get nothing this year? And let's not forget the devastation predicted for fish and wildlife along the Delta.

All this is happening with 108 water bottling plants in the state (most of which don't have to be regulated according to State law)..and number 109 opening here in September of this year!

Profits over people will be our legacy. What will our children and grandchildren say about us? Another choice is possible, but it will take courage and a change of course. Imagine a legacy where households, farmers, fish and wildlife were cared for first and foremost. Imagine new laws where corporations share the same responsibility for cut backs during these extreme times. We might just make it through this together, with our heads held high.

We must take the bold steps necessary to protect what makes our state great: its people, its farmers and the environment. People over profit is a legacy which will allow us all to thrive.