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To: California Board of Forestry (BOF) and U.S. Secretary of the Interior

The timing of events, EIR comments due May 31, 2016 by BOF, and recent legal settlement agreements re: the San Luis Rey River Watershed/5 major San Diego County Indian Tribes, necessitate an immediate sharing of information. Thus, I hope this email, and others, will work to the best interest of all.

[For clarity: Comments to Board of Forestry first]

#1) **Technical aspects** such as dealing with CEQA issues, Flora and Fauna are supported by the undersigned as presented by the **California Chaparral Institute** and Cindy Buxton, chair of the Forest Committee of **San Diego Sierra Club**.

#2) As a past hotshot crewman for the USFS, current member of the Fire Safe Council, and owner of a designated Conservancy Property, the perspective of the proposed **Wildland Fire approach**, as stated by **USFS and observed by CalFire practices of past years** (no prevention, "keep it burning"), is not in the best interest of the public or lands of all kinds.

[Comments to U.S. Secretary of the Interior]

#1) A substantial portion of the San Luis Rey River Watershed, a major element in 50 years of litigation between the Indian Tribes of La Jolla, Rincon, Pala, Pauma, and San Pasqual, is targeted to be burned. The settlement agreement dated Jan. 30th, 2015, pgs.17 & 18, is clear that the **"...Secretary shall...determine duties of...parties pursuant to Federal law regarding Health, Safety, or environment..."**

A **Fire Management Plan**, including **any** aspects of the proposed BOF before, during, or after any ignition, would be diametrically opposed to the Health, Safety, and Environment of the people, property, and water of the San Luis Rey River Watershed.

In addition, according to law enforcement sources, similar conduct by the general public could be considered as serious as Arson and Murder!

Clearly this is black and white. There cannot be both -- it is one or the other.

Any truthful level of judgement will read in **both** documents the wording "First is Health, Safety and Environment." The destruction by fire to people, places and things, is to be done away with.

Respectfully submitted,
With the Lord's blessing,
Gerald W. Fisher, Trustee

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