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April 13, 2015

The Honorable Brian Dahle
California State Capitol, Room 2158
P.O. Box 942849
Sacramento, CA 94249-0001

Re: ACR 22 – SUPPORT

Dear Assembly Member Dahle:

On behalf of the Board of Directors of the Mountain Counties Water Resources Association (MCWRA), I write to express our strong support for ACR 22.

We are pleased and encouraged by ACR 22 as this measure would declare the week of September 13, 2015, through September 19, 2015, and the third week of September every year thereafter, as Sierra Nevada Watershed Protection Week.

As you are aware, MCWRA consists of 54 member entities located in all or a portion of 15 counties within the Sierra Nevada and Cascade mountain ranges. These foothill and mountain areas contain the headwaters for 40% of the state's developed water supply and our members are vigilant stewards of these precious environmental resources.

ARC 22 would fill a void by encouraging public schools to include watershed protection in the Sierra Nevada as part of their outdoor education curriculum. ARC 22 also encourages everyone to work cooperatively to increase the pace and scale of watersheds and forest restoration that is essential to help sustain a reliable water supply, economic viability, and a healthy environment for all living things as we look out for the next seven generations.

If you have any questions, I can be reached at 530.957.7879

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'JKingsbury', with a long, sweeping horizontal line extending to the right.

John Kingsbury, Executive Director
Mountain Counties Water Resources Association

c: Board of Directors, Mountain Counties Water Resources Association

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