

# COUNTY OF EL DORADO

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El Dorado Irrigation District Board of Directors  
2890 Mosquito Road  
Placerville, Ca 95667

Dear Honorable Directors,

The County of El Dorado's Board of Supervisor would like to extend it's greatest appreciation to your Board for your public service. As fellow elected leaders we understand the burden of making tough financial choices in our current difficult economic times.

Since El Dorado Irrigation District's (EID) December 2009 announcement of its intention for a rate increase, our Board is receiving daily, a substantial number of constituent requests for assistance in seeking relief from the proposed water rate increase.

Because of the volume and depth of these requests we encourage EID Board of Directors to immediately adopt the Chamber of Commerce's "Request to suspend rate increase" thereby suspending for a minimum 90 day period all rate increase activity and impaneling a Blue Ribbon Committee which can study all fiscal options available to El Dorado Irrigation District rate payers.

We are making this request in a spirit of cooperation and are prepared to offer our resources including staff to assist in creating a workable solution benefiting El Dorado Irrigation District and all ratepayers of the County of El Dorado.

Sincerely,

**Norma Santiago**  
Chairman