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Dear TSID directors,

My name is Tim Rajeff, as you know my wife Katherine Hart and I are TSID customers and own the property on Holmes Road at the end of the Cloverdale ditch.

To help others in the district deal with the impending drought we have decided to let our pasture go fallow this season and not irrigate it. While our water allotment is not very much, we figure there were others that need the water more than we do and we wanted to be good neighbors.

Last fire season we were near the edge of fire that made national news and left us all shaking in our boots. The fire fighters ended up using our pond to fight the fire. The choppers dipped our pond and Rick Galespi's pond to help people to the west and north of us. It was amazing how fast their choppers were able to dip water, zip away, and come back for a refill. You can see how close the fire got to us and how the choppers working the fire bucked water from our pond on the attached photos.

This fire season will undoubtedly be the worst in many years as things are much drier than last season. While we have our fingers crossed that we will have a mild summer we wish for the best and brace for the worst. To prepare for this severe fire season we ask that we be allowed to keep our pond full all summer so it can be used in case there is a fire. As I mentioned above, we decided to not set up our pasture irrigation to help those that need the water more than we do and ask that the district and other water users support those of us with ponds and keep enough water flowing to our properties so we can maintain pond levels that will become life savers in the event of a catastrophic fire.

Is there a program or some exemption we can apply for to allow us to receive water all season to keep our pond full? It sure is nice to finally have a pipe to our property so we know when you say we can have water we can turn a valve to receive water.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Many thanks,
Tim Rajeff and Katherine Hart.