August 22, 2014

Assembly Member Roger Dickinson  
California State Assembly  
State Capitol, Room 2013  
Sacramento, CA 95814

Senator Fran Pavley  
California State Senate  
State Capitol, Room 4035  
Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: AB 1739 (Dickinson) – (RN 14 23035, 8/22/14, 4:15 p.m.)  
SB 1168 (Pavley) – (RN 14 22782, 8/21/14, 1:46 p.m.)  
Groundwater Management – Removal of Opposition

Dear Senator Pavley and Assembly Member Dickinson:

On behalf of the California State Association of Counties (CSAC) and the Rural County Representatives of California (RCRC) we are pleased to notify you that we are dropping our opposition to AB 1739 (Dickinson) and SB 1168 (Pavley).

AB 1739 is being amended to address our final concerns with: Water Code Section 10726.4(a)(2) regarding groundwater sustainability agencies’ authority over groundwater extractions and the connection to city and county land use authority; Water Code Section 10726.8(e) which ensures that the new law or groundwater sustainability plans do not supersede city and county land use authority; and the addition of Water Code 10726.9 which would require a groundwater sustainability plan to take into account the most recent planning assumptions stated in local general plans overlying the basin.

We want to express our sincere thanks to you, as well as legislative and committee staff, for working with us to address our concerns.

Sincerely,

Karen Keene, CSAC  
Senior Legislative Representative

Kathy Mannion, RCRC  
Legislative Advocate

cc: The Honorable Edmund G. Brown, Jr., Governor, State of California  
All Members, State Legislature