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## DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES

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September 9, 2015

MATHEW THORNTON  
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**RESPONSE REQUESTED BY:  
OCTOBER 15, 2015**

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