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The Honorable Jean Fuller  
California State Senate  
State Capitol, Room 3063  
Sacramento, CA 95814

**Re: SB 246 (Fuller) – SUPPORT**

Dear Senator Fuller:

On behalf of the Association of California Water Agencies (ACWA), I am writing to express our support for Senate Bill 246, relating to the Bighorn-Desert View Water Agency.

SB 246 would make conforming changes related to the consolidated district and would repeal the provisions under which the consolidation was originally completed. The bill would revise various provisions relating to the operation of the district, including, specifying procedures for the repayment of bonded indebtedness incurred prior to the consolidation, and eliminating the misdemeanor for ordinance violations, and making a violation of certain regulations an infraction instead of misdemeanor.

ACWA supports the Bighorn-Desert Water Agency in its efforts to modernize its enabling act. Currently, the act creates burdens for the agency to comply with related but separate accounting requirements that were codified when the agency was created.

SB 246 would completely modernize the agency's enabling act as suggested by the local LAFCO office.

For these reasons, ACWA supports your Senate Bill 246.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Wendy Ridderbusch' with a horizontal line extending to the right.

Wendy Ridderbusch  
State Relations Director

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Cc: Bighorn-Desert Water Agency