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Minimum Flows and Levels (MFLs)

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DEP, I am opposed to the limiting of Private irrigation Wells due to low minimum flow levels. The impact of 4" and smaller Wells has a much smaller impact on the aquafer than the larger Golf Course Wells, Commercial/Industrial Wells, Public Supply and AG irrigation Wells. This will have a large impact on Water Well Contractors income and could cause some companies to go out of business. Has a study been done on the impact to the Well Contractors and irrigation contractors that this could affect? Wholesale houses for supplies of pumps, tanks, pipe, and other supplies related to industry. If not, how can you access the financial impact to the Water Well Contractors and other small business this will impact financially. I stand opposed to this regulation as it is currently written.

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