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Dear Sharon:

Thank you in advance for taking the time to acknowledge my comment.

I own 120 acres of Farm Land in San Simon that I purchased in 2013. I am a 23 year old business man who has lived in AZ since I was 7 years old. I bought this land in order to build a second stream of income. I did this so I may comfortably support my wife and future children in the years to come. I had spent over \$53,000 in developing costs; from land clearing, to well, and irrigation equipment (my plans are in micro sprinklers, and super efficient drip) prior to the notice of the hearing. At this point my planting of pistachios, and winter wheat has been frozen, which was planned to initiate December 2015

I understand that the AZDWR must comply with legislation, although I am now in a predicament.

I support researching, and protecting if necessary our valuable resource- water. I ask that AZDWR also do their best to protect the public (our most valuable resource) and people like me who have worked their whole life's to purchase and develop land and follow their dreams of farming. In the end it was reports from AZDWR, that let people like my father and I to invest the majority of our funds in San Simon Farming. For example my father sold his insurance business in order to run his farm, and mine.

For me \$53,000 was a lot of money (it was most of my money), to have spent it and have it, for lack of a better word "frozen" is demoralizing to say the least.

In the last three years, I have worked extra hours in hopes of meeting our goal to finish our farm. I worked so much, that my business partner forced me to go on a vacation with him, because he feared I would burn out, or worse my wife would. All this hard work was exciting because we justified it as it moved our dream of farming closer to a reality.

I implore AZDWR to carefully examine the legislature in order to assist the ones such as myself "caught in limbo".

I have more detailed information about our situation. For your time's sake, I will provide it upon request.

Most Sincerely,

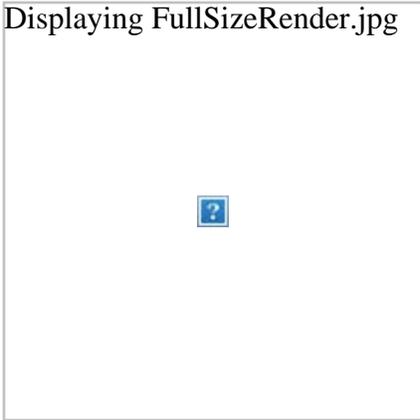
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