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TO THE MILFORD WATER USERS

This letter is written to inform you of the results of the water users meeting which was held on March 25, 1996.

As indicated in the notice, the purposes of the meeting were

1. to further discuss the alternatives for regulation
2. to hold a vote to see if another vote should be taken on the method of regulation.
3. And if necessary, to hold another vote to reconsider the method of regulating water in the Milford area.

To help make sure that the voting was as fair as possible, each water user had their name printed on a ballot. Ballots were sent out with the notice so water users who could not attend could send their completed ballots to be counted at the meeting.

The results of the first vote were, 24 in favor of another vote to reconsider the method of regulation and 20 opposed to another vote.

The results of the second vote were 24 in favor of Alternative 2 (regulating the number of acres irrigated) and 22 were in favor of Alternative 1 (using water meters and having them operated and maintained by the commissioner).

Therefore, regulation in Milford Valley will be according to Alternative 2 which was described in the information which was sent to you. Briefly, this alternative involves photographing the irrigated area each year to determine those water users who are irrigating more land than allowed by their water right.

Each water user who is over irrigating will be notified and informed to reduce the area irrigated to conform to their water right. Failure to comply may result in court action to enforce the State Engineer's notice. Those water users who use both surface and underground water will continue to have their water measured in addition to the check of their irrigated acreage.

If you have any questions concerning the results of the meeting or the planned regulation for 1996, please contact me at 538-7380 or Kerry Carpenter at 586-4231.

Sincerely,

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