



The registered letter from the LA Regional Water Board has everyone pretty scared! I hope I can relieve your stress. I've received and continue to receive inquiries, so do not feel like you have been singled out.

I have several attachments to send out. I will fax/ email each one out separately to not overload your email client or fax machine.

As each grower's situation is varied and individual, I'm starting with the PDF Attachment labeled 'Ag Determination'.

This describes the determining factors you need to/not apply for the Notice of Intent and join the Group Waiver. If you have trouble opening this, please email back to me and I will assist you further.

For those of you who have indicated that you are no longer operating a business: or feel you have received the violation notice in error,

Write, email or fax a statement to (see page 3 of the attachment)

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Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board
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Los Angeles, CA 90013
Phone: 213-576-6784
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Make sure you have a return receipt, or proof of mailing. The Water Board is getting a lot of calls and emails, don't forget to keep a copy for your files too.

Below are samples of simple wording:

SAMPLE 1:

(I, (person name), declare that as of (date/year/never), (company name) is (non-operational/deceased) and therefore (not required to enroll/am not in violation)of Order No: R4-2005-008.

Regards,

(Name) (Address) (contact # or Email)

SAMPLE 2:

In response to your letter of Violation of Order No:R4-2005-0080 I(your name/) find that we (name/company name) are not required to enroll in the referenced Ag Waiver. The basis of this determination is (insert the fact from the attached form) as per your form named 'Ag Determination of Agricultural vs Gardening//Nurseries.

Regards,

(Name) (Address) (contact # or Email)

You will receive a response, either requesting more information, or accepting your response within 3 months.

If you need assistance, do not hesitate to call me, your NGA rep, or Rebecca Viega, LARQCB

I will be sending more attachments shortly.

On behalf of Nursery Growers Association (NGA)

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Sincerely,

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