



June 17, 2015

The Honorable Lorena Gonzalez
State Capitol, P.O. Box 942849
Sacramento, CA 94249-0080

RE: AB 349 (Gonzalez): SUPPORT
Common interest developments: property use and maintenance

Dear Assemblymember Gonzalez:

On behalf of the Southern California Water Committee (SCWC), I am pleased to offer support for your bill, AB 349. This bill will give homeowners governed by homeowner associations the choice to install artificial turf to reduce their home water use without fear of fines. As communities and individuals strive to reduce water usage, artificial turf represents a valuable alternative to reduce the 35% of water use that goes to residential landscaping across the state. Effective and durable water use reductions that are not unsightly should be rewarded, not punished.

Established in 1984, SCWC is a nonprofit, nonpartisan, public education partnership dedicated to informing Southern Californians about our water needs and our state's water resources. Spanning Los Angeles, Orange, San Diego, San Bernardino, Imperial, Riverside, Ventura and Kern Counties, SCWC's members include representatives from business, government, agriculture, water agencies, labor and the general public.

Thank you for introducing AB 349. Again, the Southern California Water Committee (SCWC) wishes to offer its support for this legislation.

Sincerely,

Richard Atwater
Executive Director

cc: Members of the Senate Transportation and Housing Committee

