

# Letter to the Editor

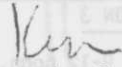
Dear Editor:

I have just received a note from the California Agricultural Production Consultants Association (CAPCA) in regards to our proposed State Initiative 65. This is one of our glamour initiatives due to the fact that the Hollywood Community chose to endorse this issue. Actually this is the Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act. I won't campaign for or against, using this newsletter; but I feel that each of us in the agricultural related industries should carefully read and understand the issue fully. This initiative, passed, will directly affect us within this industry.

Along these lines GCSAA has written a job description for a director of Government Relations/Scholarship and Research position. This is not to be considered a lobbyist position but more along the lines of an ombudsman. It will be important for our own political awareness and knowledge. The timing couldn't have been better for all of us concerned.

I just heard that as of today our Pre-Conference Tournament in Tucson, Arizona has been filled. Names are now being assigned to our waiting lists. In addition, we are also on a record pace for our Early Bird Registration. As of now there are 1,100 members plus spouses (400) registered. Banquet tickets have reached 800 sold (entertainment provided by Marie Osmond) along with the record setting pace of registration came word that we have a few booths left. It really points to another sell-out of a conference and show. Remember that the Early Bird Registration packets are only made available to members of GCSAA.

Sincerely,

  
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