

Byron-Bethany Irrigation District recognized for water rights fight

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A certificate of recognition for Byron-Bethany Irrigation District's success in defending agricultural water rights was recently presented to the district by Rep. Jeff Denham, R-Turlock.

Denham congratulated the district on winning a lawsuit against the state water board for filing charges against the district for what the water board charged was unauthorized diversion of drought-restricted water from the Delta. A Santa Clara County Superior Court judge found that the district's due-process rights were violated and ruled for the district.

The decision has a statewide impact in water-rights litigation.



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From left, Byron-Bethany Irrigation District board member Jeff Brown, Rep. Jeff Denham, BBID general manager Rick Gilmore, board president Russell Kagehiro, and BBID directors Larry Enos Jr. and Chuck Tusso.