



COMMUNITY ALLIANCE
WITH FAMILY FARMERS

April 23, 2018

The Honorable Kevin McCarty
State Capitol, Room 2136
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: AB 2411 (McCarty) -- SUPPORT

Dear Assemblyman McCarty:

The Community Alliance with Family Farmers (CAFF) is a statewide organization that represents both farmers and non-farm residents who support sustainable food and farming policies. CAFF is pleased to support your AB 2411, which requires CalRecycle to carry out a plan to maximize the use of compost for slope stabilization and re-vegetation after a fire, and to work with CalTrans to identify the best cost-effective uses of compost along roadways.

Compost has multiple environmental and agronomic benefits, and CAFF strongly supports the state's policies to promote the production and use of compost, including by reducing greenhouse gas emissions by 5 million tons annually through the use of compost on farms and forest lands. While the measures in AB 2411 do not directly affect CAFF members or agriculture in general, they are important additional steps to meet the state's goals. Increased demand for compost, which your bill will generate, is needed to improve the economic climate for the production of compost, which will further help the state meet its compost goals.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "David Runsten", written in a cursive style.

David Runsten
Policy Director