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December 5, 2008

Inland Empire
Waterkeeper

20X2020 Agency Team
Sacramento, CA 95814

Klamath
Riverkeeper

Via Electronic Mail: 2020comments@ccp.csus.edu

Monterey
Coastkeeper

Re: *20x2020 Conceptual Draft Technical Memorandum Task 5: Potential Conservation Savings from New Actions*

Orange County
Coastkeeper

Dear Members of the 20x2020 Agency Team:

Russian
Riverkeeper

On behalf of the California Coastkeeper Alliance (CCKA) and our 12 member Waterkeepers, we appreciate the opportunity to comment on the above-described Memorandum by including and incorporating by reference the comments submitted to you by San Francisco Baykeeper. In particular, we support and incorporate San Francisco Baykeeper's comments with regard to the use of low-impact development (LID) mandates to achieve conservation goals. As detailed in the attached letter to DWR, signed by all of the stakeholders on the state's Storm Water Advisory Task Force (including CCKA), LID reduces flood risk and erosion, curtails pollution, and increases groundwater recharge and reduces the need for imported water, thereby augmenting water supplies. As noted correctly by San Francisco Baykeeper, the multiple benefits afforded by promoting LID-based best management practices make these strategies extremely important to the protection of California's water resources. We accordingly request that you highlight and prioritize the use of LID in achieving California's water goals.

San Luis Obispo
Coastkeeper

Santa Barbara
Channelkeeper

Santa Monica
Baykeeper

Ventura
Coastkeeper

Thank you for your work to ensure mandated reductions in water use throughout California, which are essential if we are to protect the health of our communities and environment for ourselves and future generations.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Linda Sheehan".

Linda Sheehan
Executive Director

Attachment: Letter from Storm Water Advisory Task Force to Lester Snow,
Department of Water Resources (November 5, 2008)