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## State Water Resources Control Board

March 8, 2022

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Dear Representatives of the Smith Frances E. Trust:

This letter acknowledges that the Administrative Hearings Office (AHO) has received your e-mailed request from 03/08/2022 for hearing on the Administrative Civil Liability Complaint you recently received from the State Water Board's Division of Water Rights.

The AHO will soon send you a document called a Notice of Hearing. The Notice of Hearing will specify the date and time for your hearing and provide information regarding how to participate in the hearing. Due to the ongoing COVID-19 emergency, the hearing will be conducted via Zoom teleconference. Due to the AHO's current workload, the AHO may not be able to send you this notice right away. The AHO will send you the notice at least 30 days before the hearing date.

If you would like to discuss potential settlement of the Administrative Civil Liability Complaint, please contact the Division of Water Rights Enforcement Section at (916) 341-5342 (the telephone number specified in the Division's letter sent with the Administrative Civil Liability Complaint). Please do not contact the AHO to discuss potential settlement.

If you have additional questions about your hearing request or your hearing, please contact our office at [AdminHrgOffice@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:AdminHrgOffice@waterboards.ca.gov) or by letter at:

State Water Resources Control Board  
Administrative Hearings Office  
P.O. Box 100  
Sacramento, CA 95812-0100

You may also have a courier deliver your letter to:

Joe Serna Jr. CalEPA Building  
State Water Resources Control Board  
Administrative Hearings Office  
1001 I Street  
Sacramento, CA 95814

Please note that due to COVID-19, staff are working from home and replies to mailed correspondence may be delayed by several days or weeks.

E. JOAQUIN ESQUIVEL, CHAIR | EILEEN SOBECK, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

We are sending copies of this letter via e-mail to the members of the Division of Water Rights Office of Enforcement who may be involved in this proceeding.

Sincerely yours,

Administrative Hearings Office

Enclosures: Hearing Request Form (2022-03-08 Smith Ranch Hearing Request.pdf)

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**PROOF OF SERVICE**

On March 8, 2022, the Administrative Hearings Office (“AHO”) sent a copy of the Letter Acknowledging Hearing Request and Hearing Request Form to the following addresses via U.S. mail and via e-mail:

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