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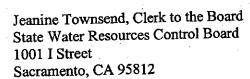
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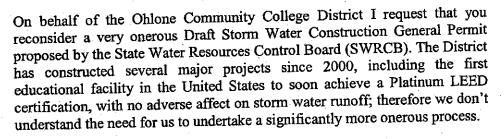
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Dear Ms. Townsend:



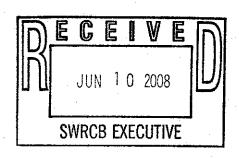
Our specific concern is as follows:

# Addition of Regional Water Quality Control Boards to the Review Process.

Community college construction projects are already reviewed and approved by four different state "agencies" (i.e., Division of State Architect, Board of Governors, Department of Finance/Public Works Board and Legislative Analyst's Office). By adding the regional boards to the review process, an already lengthy process will be further extended. Additionally, we are concerned that the Draft Permit does not specify a deadline for completing the regional board review process.

It is more economical and practical to have one of the above-mentioned state agencies also review the plans for storm water compliance. This is especially relevant because the regional boards have never been adequately staffed to even implement designation of school districts to participate in the Small MS4.

We recommend that: (1) the storm water construction permit and plan review function be given to one of the existing state agencies involved in performing related review activities or (2) a 30 day automatic approval be granted after the application is submitted to the regional board, if the regional board has not taken action on the application within that time frame.



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The Ohlone Community College District requests that you give strong consideration to our recommendations. Questions regarding this letter should be made to me at (510) 659-7307, or at email address mcalegari@ohlone.edu.

Sincerely,

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