



June 24, 2010

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State Water Resources Control Board
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RE: Proposed Amendment to Water Quality Control Plan for Los Angeles Region to Prohibit On-Site Wastewater Disposal Systems in Malibu Civic Center Area

Dear Jeanine (Townsend) and Members of the State Water Resources Control Board:

The residential areas that have their septic systems in the Serra Retreat area are functioning properly. Many are over an acre or more and have ample space and proper drainage; my own system has been functioning properly for almost half a century.

The problem lies in the commercial properties in the lower plain area where the water table has risen due to the millions of gallons of treated effluent that the Las Virgenes Water Treatment Facility dumps into the Malibu Creek daily. It has been known for a long time that "tertiary treatment does not eliminate all viruses," as stated by the world renowned Dr. Newcomer who was my neighbor for many years; copy of letter enclosed.

I oppose the proposed amendment to prohibit on-site wastewater disposal systems in the Residential area of Serra Canyon, and the residential areas should not carry the financial burden of the commercial properties.

Yours truly,

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By facsimile: copy of Dr. Newcomer letter with Audubon Imprint re Tapia Water Reclamation Facility pollution of Malibu Creek