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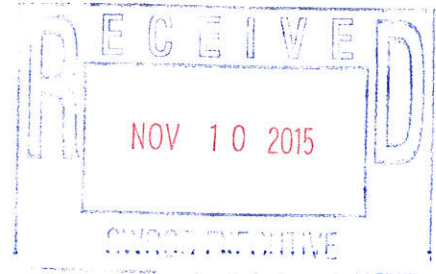
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November 2, 2015

Mr. Tom Howard
Executive Director
State Water Resources Control Board
1001 I Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: Water Quality Certification

Dear Mr. Howard,

Brentwood is one of the largest urban areas in the Delta that relies solely on this watershed (the Delta) for its water supply and quality of life. The City will actively participate in this process and work with others to insure a complete and fair outcome.

The City of Brentwood has become aware of the recent application to the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) of the California Department of Water Resources (DWR) for a Water Quality Certification for the State's Water Fix Project. Construction of the Water Fix Project will require a 404 permit from the US Army Corp of Engineers (USACE) which cannot be issued without obtaining the Water Quality Certification from the SWRCB. The City wishes to participate in the SWRCB's process for public input and comments for the 404 permit certification. We would appreciate being added to the interested parties list for this permit including notification of your schedule for public input and hearings for consideration of this Water Quality certification.

In separate correspondence, Brentwood has commented on the August 26, 2015, DWR and US Bureau of Reclamation's petition for a change to water rights to implement the Water Fix. We note that DWR has requested that the water quality certification be considered separately from the Petition for Change. The water quality impacts of the Water Fix Project whether from its construction or operation are a major concern to Brentwood given its Delta location and water supply. The City will be an active participant in the SWRCB's decision process for both of these considerations.

Very truly yours,


Gustavo "Gus" Vina
City Manager