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Greetings:

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Attached is an update from the Department of Fish and Wildlife to the Water Board regarding the timing of DFW transmitting its instream flow recommendation. A hard copy of the attachment is being sent to the Water Board.

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Tam M. Doduc Board Member State Water Resources Control Board P.O. Box 100 Sacramento, CA 95812-0100

Re: Water Right Application 30166 of El Sur Ranch

Dear Board Member Doduc:

The California Department of Fish and Wildlife ("CDFW") wishes to update you as to when CDFW would transmit its final instream flow recommendations for the Big Sur River to the State Water Resources Control Board ("Board"). By letter dated April 12, 2017, CDFW informed the Board that CDFW anticipated transmitting its final instream flow recommendations this week. However, recent significant developments in the negotiations between El Sur Ranch and CDFW have resulted in CDFW shifting its resources and focus from finalizing the instream flow recommendations to thoroughly vetting the recently proposed settlement terms and developments. In the next few weeks CDFW expects to send the Board an update on the settlement discussion, or an update on transmitting instream flow recommendations to the Board.

CDFW appreciates the Board's patience on this matter and welcomes any further inquiries.

Sincerely,

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