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**To:** O'Hagan, John@Waterboards

**Subject:** Supporting Monterey Peninsula Water Management District's Jan. 3 Proposal to Clarify Condition 2

Dear John,

I am writing to support the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District's January 3 proposal that provides clarity to Condition 2 of the Cease and Desist Order (WR 2009-0060). This proposal will give our community a clear, predictable and objective set of rules to follow when investing in businesses and properties.

As currently presented, Condition 2's interpretation is unclear when it comes to existing service addresses. In addition, the rules do not take into consideration normal fluctuations in the economic, business, residential or climate conditions to establish a typical baseline of usage. The entire community's water use should be regulated to achieve the Effective Diversion Limit (EDL) from the Carmel River, but individual buildings are already adequately regulated under the District's existing "water counting" rules, which are designed specifically to ensure there is no increase in water use.

The Monterey Peninsula community values water conservation and has the lowest per capita water usage of any comparable community in the State of California, approximately 58 gallons per person each day. Not only that, the demand has been reduced by nearly 3,000 acre feet since the CDO was issued. I urge you to accept the January 3<sup>rd</sup> proposal as it provides additional clarity while achieving the desired goals of the Cease and Desist Order.

Sincerely,

Henry Ruhnke

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