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To: <jdmarshall@waterboards.ca.gov>
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Subject: Bear Valley Water District NPDES Permit Application

Dear Mr. Marshall --

I am a Bear Valley home owner and a Bear Valley Water District rate payer. I am also a consulting engineer with more than forty years of education and experience in water resources, water quality, and environmental resources management. I totally support the Water District's proposal, reflected in the draft NPDES permit, to provide secondary treatment and land disposal of their wastewater. Storage and additional purification of the secondary effluent in their treated wastewater storage and polishing reservoir while waiting for the opportune time for land application is a practical approach for avoiding receiving water impacts during low flow periods and for providing further oxidation and settling of impurities. In fact, it provides additional wastewater treatment that meets many tertiary effluent goals. Coordination of this primary strategy with stream discharge (with 20 to 1 dilution) during periods of high stream flow in the late spring of wet years is extremely sensible; I have no doubt that the effluent will have negligible impacts on receiving water quality.

Sincerely,

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