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Mr. Ross Atkinson
Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board
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**SUBJECT: MOUNT DIABLO MERCURY MINE
CLEANUP AND ABATEMENT ORDER**

Dear Mr. Atkinson,

Ironhouse Sanitary District (ISD) is requesting that the responsible parties who previously mined the Mount Diablo Mercury Mine be required to clean up the mine and the previously approved Cleanup and Abatement order issued by the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (CVRWQCB) should NOT be amended.

ISD owns agricultural land adjacent to Marsh Creek and uses Marsh Creek water for irrigation, is a participant in the Central Valley Clean Water Association Coordinated Methyl-mercury Control Study, is a participant in the Mercury Exposure Reduction Program, and is involved in the Dutch Slough Tidal Marsh and Marsh Creek Restoration Projects. In addition, the Marsh Creek watershed is included in the Delta Methyl-mercury TMDL requirements for reducing the impact of mercury in the larger estuary of the Bay-Delta.

The water quality of Marsh Creek is very important to ISD and we again request that the CVRWQCB does not amend the previously approved Cleanup and Abatement order for the Mount Diablo Mercury Mine.

Sincerely,
IRONHOUSE SANITARY DISTRICT

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Jennifer Skrel". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "J" and "S".

Jennifer Skrel
District Engineer