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Via email: [JMadigan@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:JMadigan@waterboards.ca.gov)

RE: Public Comment on Regional Water Quality Controls tentative Cease and Desist Order against Calistoga Dunaweal Waste Water Treatment Plant

Dear Mr. Madigan,

On behalf of 870 members of Napa County Farm Bureau, we write to support the San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board's proposed actions to enforce the General Order of Waste Discharge for the City of Calistoga's waste water treatment plant and to set timelines for specific improvements to the waste discharge operations and to build increased storage capacity.

Farmers and ranchers in Napa County take great pride in our sustainable practices to protect water quality and improve conditions in the Napa River watershed. It's imperative that the City of Calistoga move forward in an expeditious timeframe to implement appropriate mitigation measures to protect the beneficial uses of the state's waters.

We oppose modifications which would increase effluent pumping capabilities to an already impaired Napa River. We support the installation of equipment to remove nuisance pollutants at the Dunaweal Wastewater Treatment Plant, as well as supporting new, stringent, limitations on boron levels in wastewater discharge.

Further, we support the immediate implementation of the 2001 Agreement Between the City of Calistoga and The Calistoga Spas to identify, monitor, and meter the City's geothermal water users, effectively reducing geothermal inflows to the collection system.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Norma J. Tofanelli".

Norma Tofanelli  
President