

Sent: Thursday, October 09, 2014 12:57 PM
To: Madigan, John@Waterboards
Subject: Public Comment on Regional Water Quality Controls tentative Cease and Desist Order against Calistoga Dunaweal Waste Water Treatment Plant

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Dear Mr. Madigan,

I am writing on behalf of the 690 members of the Napa Valley Grapegrowers to voice our concern over the inadequacy of Calistoga's wastewater treatment and discharges into the Napa River. Our membership includes landowners and vineyard managers that have farming operations and residential property the length of the Napa River, so what takes place in one section can greatly affects many downstream.

The increase of landscape irrigation of Calistoga's recycled wastewater at contracted water use sites and City-owned properties poses a severe threat. Due to the lack of comprehensive studies of probable contaminants, the discharges of treated wastewater could lead to soil and groundwater pollution, having the potential to affect public health and degrade wells. We take seriously any threats to the sustainability of our industry and would like to be included in discussions on this particular issue.

Many thanks and I'll look forward to hearing from the Water Board on this matter,

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