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**San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board**

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**Subject: Request for Plan to Implement Recommendations in April 13, 2011,  
Report: *Mercury Mine Waste Erosion Inventory:  
Rancho De Guadalupe Area, Sierra Azul Open Space Preserve***

Dear Sirs:

Thank you for the technically excellent April 13, 2011, report *Mercury Mine Waste Erosion Inventory: Rancho De Guadalupe Area, Sierra Azul Preserve (Inventory Report)*. The *Inventory Report* meets the requirements of our June 2009 California Water Code section 13267 Order for a Technical Report.

We concur with the recommendations in the *Inventory Report*. We request that you prepare a plan to implement its recommendations for the Engine Shaft and Lamb Shaft sites, and submit this plan to us by December 31, 2012.

This request does not apply to the following sites:

- Hicks Flat, because cleanup of that site is already underway;
- Lower Guadalupe Creek, because we will re-evaluate this site in several years. This evaluation will determine whether additional erosion control measures are needed, over and above those that Guadalupe Rubbish Disposal Company is anticipated to install nearby on the east side of Guadalupe Creek; and

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- Road Tunnel; Guadalupe Limestone Quarry and Kiln; China Flat; Brainard Prospect; Costello Prospect; Santa Clara Mill Site; Bowie Prospect; Jacques Gulch; and Property Interior. We concur that there is no evidence of mining waste at these sites.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Carrie Austin of my staff at (510) 622-1015 or via e-mail to [caustin@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:caustin@waterboards.ca.gov).

Sincerely,

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