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Re: Letter of Support

This letter is in regards to the wastewater system located in Monterey County for the community of San Jerardo. As you are aware, San Jerardo is seeking funding for improvements to their existing wastewater system which is in major need of repair and upgrade. A partnership between the Rural Community Assistance Corporation (RCAC) and the Engineers without Boarders (EWB) was created to assist the community in achieving their goals towards these improvements. This partnership will support and provide the residents of San Jerardo the technical assistance needed to achieve adequate wastewater treatment and disposal for their small community.

We have realized the impacts this rural community has faced in their struggle to provide safe and affordable drinking water and now the need to supply effective wastewater treatment and disposal. In the past, we have worked closely with Monterey County agencies in joint efforts to provide the tools this community needs to improve public health conditions and continue to support any need to maintain wastewater compliance.

We wish to express our gratitude of considering San Jerardo for any funding resources that may provide resolution to the immediate need for both the water and wastewater systems.

If you have any questions, please feel free to n

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Sincerely,

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