

Dear Jeanine Townsend, Clerk to the State Water Board:

We are property owners in the Tahoe Keys development. We applaud the extensive research that was conducted this past summer in the Keys. The project was undertaken in cooperation with TRPA and the Lahontan Water Board, and will be continued in the summer of 2012. The study included what are called "dye studies" to map the degree to which herbicides, if applied, would be contained in the Keys. These

empirical studies have demonstrated that the controlled application of herbicides in the Keys will will remain in the Keys and not impact surface water intakes in other areas of Lake Tahoe. The remoteness of the Keys to the intakes areas and the rapid dispersal of low herbicide concentrations used will assure compliance to the highest standards.

Please pass this important amendment.

We thank the State Water Board for their effort and courage in passing this amendment.

Sincerely,

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