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Public Comment
SNMP for Lower Santa Clara River
Deadline: 11/12/15 by 12:00 noon



October 22, 2015

Jeanine Townsend, Clerk to the Board
State Water Resources Control Board
1001 I Street, 24th floor
Sacramento, CA 95814

Attn: Jeanine Townsend
Via Email Only

Subject: Comment Letter – Proposed Approval of an Amendment to the Water Quality Control Plan for the Los Angeles region to Incorporate Stakeholder-Developed Groundwater Quality Management Measures for Salts and Nutrients in the Lower Santa Clara River Basin

Dear Ms. Townsend:

The Newhall County Water District (NCWD) appreciates the opportunity to provide comments to the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) regarding the incorporation of management measures for salts and nutrients in the lower Santa Clara River basin. NCWD has been actively engaged in water conservation efforts and is a strong supporter of the State Water Board's Policy for Water Quality Control for Recycled Water (Recycled Water Policy).

NCWD and other local agencies are currently evaluating strategies to advance the use of recycled water from municipal wastewater sources in the Santa Clarita Valley (Valley). Promoting sustainable water supplies in the Santa Clara River Basin is a priority for NCWD.

The development of an innovative approach to achieve the stated goals of the Recycled Water Policy may necessitate further review of the Basin Plan. For certain, the implementation of these strategies will require collaboration between various public and private agencies and the State and Regional Boards.

NCWD looks forward to continuing to work with the State and Regional Water Boards to ensure we not only meet short term goals, but also address the development of a framework to discuss the advancement of long term water reliability policy.

Sincerely,
Newhall County Water District

A handwritten signature in blue ink, consisting of stylized, cursive letters that appear to read 'S. L. Cole'.

Stephen L. Cole
General Manager