

STRAWBERRY CREEK WATERSHED COUNCIL

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Re: Quality Assurance Project Plan (QAPP) for Submission of Strawberry Creek Watershed Data for 2012 Integrated Report [Clean Water Act Sections 305(b) and 303(d)]

Dear Shakoora Azimi-Gaylon:

Thank you for your e-mail of October 7, 2010, in response to Strawberry Creek Watershed Council's request to the SWRCB for Strawberry Creek's inclusion in the 2012 Integrated Report for Impaired Waters. You requested a copy of a QAPP for the data we provided. All the data that we included in our submission for the Strawberry Creek Watershed was collected by the Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory's (LBNL) Environment, Health, & Safety Division (EH&S).

It is our understanding that your request for a QAPP is addressed as follows: according to the State of California's "Waste Discharge Requirements (WDRs) For Discharges of Storm Water Associated With Industrial Activities Excluding Construction Activities," SWRCB's Water Quality Order No. 91-13-DWQ, as amended by Water Quality Order No. 92-12-DWQ and Water Quality Order No. 97-03-DWQ, a QAPP is not needed. In particular, issues related to Quality Assurance/Quality Control (QA/QC) are addressed in the above cited Order, specifically in Order No. 97-03-DWQ.

To assist you with your evaluation, we are enclosing LBNL's storm water results from the 4 sampling events referred to in our letter of August 27, 2010 (Attachment 1.) In addition we are including the cover letters for LBNL's 2008-2009 Annual Report for Stormwater Discharges with Industrial Activity, dated June 26, 2009 with a Certification by Howard Hatayama, Director EH&S, and 2009-2010 Stormwater Annual Report, signed by Doug Fleming, Director EH&S, dated June 29, 2010. (Attachment 2.)

For your reference, all LBNL Stormwater Program Annual Reports from 2001 to 2010 are available on the web: <http://www.lbl.gov/ehs/esg/Reports/tableforreports.shtml> (Attachment 3.)

Please, let me know immediately if this information satisfies your request, or if any additional documents are needed.

Sincerely,

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Attach:

1. Strawberry Creek Watershed Council to Jeffrey Shu, SWRB, August 27, 2010: attached letters from LBNL, March 23, 2009, June 16, 2009, December 2, 2009, June 8, 2010, each with stormwater data
2. Cover letters to SFBRWQCB for LBNL's 2008-2009 Annual Report for Stormwater Discharges with Industrial Activity, dated June 26, 2009 with a Certification by Howard Hatayama, Director EH&S, and 2009-2010 Stormwater Annual Report, signed by Doug Fleming, Director EH&S, dated June 29, 2010
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