December 5, 2017

_Via Electronic Mail_

State Water Resources Control Board  
Division of Water Rights  
Attn: California WaterFix Hearing Staff  
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Re: Sacramento County’s Revised Notice of Intent to Appear

Dear Hearing Chair Doduc, Hearing Officer Marcus and California WaterFix Hearing Staff:

On October 13, 2017, Protestant, Sacramento County (County) submitted its Notice of Intent to Appear (NOITA) in Part 2 of the WaterFix petition for change hearing. The County’s NOITA identifies Mr. Doug Hemly as a percipient witness to discuss “Agricultural Production and Related Impacts; Delta as a Place.” Due to unforeseen scheduling challenges, it became necessary for the County to substitute a witness for Mr. Hemly. Thereafter, the County worked with Virginia Hemly Chhabra to develop and submit testimony on November 30, 2017. At the same time, the County submitted a Revised NOITA that identifies Ms. Chhabra as a witness and no longer lists Mr. Hemly. The County did not anticipate an issue with this substitution because Ms. Chhabra will cover the same subject matter that Mr. Hemly would have covered. On December 4, 2017, the Hearing Team asked the County to formally request approval for this substitution. By this letter, the County respectfully requests that the Hearing Team approve the County’s proposed substitution of Ms. Chhabra for Mr. Hemly.

The County’s NOITA and Revised NOITA list Mr. Paul Philley as a witness to address “Effects of CWF on Air Quality.” As Mr. Philley continued to develop his testimony, it became apparent, given the breadth and technical nature of the County’s air quality concerns, that it was necessary to add a witness to ensure proper coverage. To that end, Ms. Karen Huss prepared testimony indicating that she collaborated with Mr. Philley in the preparation of his testimony. The County submitted Ms. Huss’s testimony on November 30, 2017. The County did not anticipate a problem with this addition because Ms. Huss will only cover topics that appear in Mr. Philley’s testimony, and the County’s proposed addition of...
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Ms. Huss would not expand the scope of issues that the County identified in its NOITA. Similarly, on December 4, 2017, the Hearing Team asked the County to request approval for this addition. By this letter, the County respectfully requests that the Hearing Team approve the County’s proposed addition of Ms. Huss as a witness.

Sacramento County appreciates your consideration of this submittal.

Sincerely,

[Signature]
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Authorized Representative

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