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**Subject:** Support for the Cease and Desist Order Extension

Dear Staff of the State Water Resources Control Board,

Please accept this support of the Monterey Peninsula Water District letter dated January 3, 2017 related to Condition 2, we support the condition of the cease and desist order extension. Along with many other residents and businesses of the Peninsula, we take pride in the results of the conservation efforts that have led to greatly reduced water usage and diversions from the Carmel River.

Many residents and businesses in our area have been active participants in the pursuit of alternative water sources including Pure Water, Cal-Am's desalination plant, aquifer storage and recovery systems and more. We recognize the importance of our region's environmental quality including the health of the Carmel River. We are highly supportive of the 8,310 acre feet limit and subsequent reduction of diversion as we move forward with these worthy investments in producing a sustainable water supply for our Peninsula. We are dedicated to the 8,310 acre feet as a maximum diversion from the Carmel River and we believe that the community has proven that we operate with water usage as a primary driver of our decision process on how properties are used.

Therefore, we ask that the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District's allocation of water for individual properties be the recognized allocation for these properties and staff interprets condition 2 in a manner that does not unduly burden individual property owners by limiting water usage to a level below allocated usage.

We have been active participants in reducing water usage on the Peninsula, support alternative water supply sources to the Carmel River, and respect the 8,310 acre feet limit and our region's environmental quality. Thank you for considering this request to allow the diversion limits to be the guide via the MPWMD and not be extended to eliminating the ability of property owners, and more importantly the community, to enjoy properties being improved by rezoning and alternative uses.

With regards,

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