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March 14, 2016

Ms. Sue Tippetts
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Santa Clara Valley Water District
5750 Almaden Expressway
San Jose, CA 95118-3686

Subj: Alamitos Creek Bridge Replacement Project

Dear Ms. Tippetts:

Thank you very much for meeting with County staff on January 8th to discuss the project. Having both parties' staff and counsel present allowed us to clarify the relationship between the District's permitting requirements and the County's acquisition of the property rights across District property necessary to construct the project. I thought it would be useful to summarize the outcome of the meeting and our subsequent email correspondence for the record as follows:

- The County applied for a permit on Feb. 5, 2016 from the District for construction of the project. That permit application is currently pending, and we appreciate your assistance processing the permit in a timely manner. I will be the County official signing the permit once it is received from the District.
- The County acknowledges that it will continue to be subject to the District's permitting requirements specified in its Water Resources Protection Ordinance for any proposed Development or Modification to District Facilities (as those terms are defined in the Ordinance) not covered by the aforementioned permit, as well as the applicable permitting requirements that may be set forth in any future District ordinance(s).
- With respect to the existing stream gauge, the County will absorb the cost of removing the catwalk and the work to retain the weir. The District will be responsible for installing a new stream gauge on the new bridge at its own expense.

Thank you again for meeting with us. Please call me at 408-573-2438 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Michael Murdter
Director

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