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Attention: Keith Wallace

Re: San Luis Obispo County Integrated Regional Water Management 2015 Implementation Grant Proposal: Strengthening Local Water Supply Reliability Draft Funding Recommendations October 29, 2015

Dear Mr. Wallace,

As the State Assemblyman for California's 35th District I write to you today in strong support of the San Luis Obispo County Integrated Regional Water Management 2015 Implementation Grant Proposal. The suite of projects proposed by the San Luis Obispo County Flood Control and Water Conservation District the RWMG Lead Agency, was included in the Draft Funding Recommendations issued on October 29, 2015. The draft recommendations call for 75% of the 2015 IRWM Grant funding request for the suite of selected projects.

This suite of projects will function to support local IRWM planning and implementation and will assist the SLO County IRWM Region in achieving long-term drought resilience and addressing the Human Right to Water Policy. These projects will strengthen the region by helping to achieve the 2014 IRWM Plan's strategic, long-term vision of: greater resilience in the face of uncertain hydrology and climactic fluctuations, integration and improvement of our existing supplies and infrastructure, and improved sustainability. The projects do this by working at the sub-regional scale to address geographically-unique challenges and to strengthen each sub-region's ability to improve its long-term water resources management. The proposal includes one project in each of the three IRWM sub-regions.

I appreciate the selection of the SLO County IRWM 2015 Implementation Grant Proposal and respectfully urge you to consider 100% funding to support our Region's critical projects to strengthen local water supply reliability.

Sincerely,

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