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**SUBJECT: PROPOSITION 84 2015 IRWM IMPLEMENTATION GRANT  
SOLICITATION DRAFT FUNDING RECOMMENATIONS AND  
EVALUATIONS**

Dear Mr. Wallace:

The Rancho California Water District (RCWD) appreciates the Department of Water Resources (DWR) thoughtful and thorough evaluation of the Upper Santa Margarita Watershed (USMW) Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM) grant proposal for the Proposition 84 2015 IRWM Implementation Grants Solicitation.

We have reviewed the Draft Funding Recommendations and the Application Evaluation Summary for the USMW IRWM Region's proposal and agree DWR has provided a fair evaluation and draft funding recommendations. We look forward to receiving an award letter after the final recommendations are announced and working with DWR for a successful funding agreement.

Please contact me at [aragonr@ranchowater.com](mailto:aragonr@ranchowater.com) or (951) 296-6935 with any questions.

On behalf of the Upper Santa Margarita Watershed IRWM Regional Water Management Group,

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