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Mr. Wallace,

I write in support of the County of San Mateo's Proposition 84 application for the Pescadero water system project.

In 2011, the unincorporated community of Pescadero suffered a failure of its water supply system, and since that event has been looking for funding to support the construction of new water infrastructure. Given Pescadero's isolation on the San Mateo Coast and its declining aquifer, new infrastructure is the only answer to these latest challenges.

Pescadero recently qualified as a Disadvantaged Community, which demonstrates the financial burden funding this new water infrastructure would have if its ratepayers were its sole contributors. As Pescadero is primarily an agricultural community and the local match would have an immense impact on its finances, I ask that the 25% local match requirement be waived, as per Proposition 84 guidelines.

Thank you for your consideration of the application.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Richard S. Gordon".

Richard S. Gordon
Assemblyman, Twenty-Fourth District

cc: Supervisor Don Horsley