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Mr. Simon Eching
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Re: Intended Compliance with AB 1881, *Water Conservation in Landscaping Act* (2006).

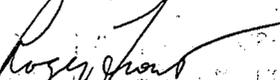
Dear Mr. Eching:

This letter is in reply to your request for notification as to the direction El Dorado County will be taking in regard to the recently released Model Water Efficient Landscape Ordinance (MWELO) established under Assembly Bill 1881. We are currently in the process of updating our Zoning Ordinance (Title 17) through the implementation program mandated under current General Plan policy.

As part of this process, we will be updating the current landscape ordinance to be consistent with those General Plan policy requirements for water conservation methods that encourage the use of native, drought tolerant species, reclaimed water, and graywater systems and to ensure it remains as effective in conserving water as the MWELO. Until such time as we adopt the new ordinance, we will be operating under the MWELO for all projects submitted as of January 1, 2010 that are subject to its requirements.

Please contact me at the Planning address or phone number for the Placerville office if you have any questions.

Sincerely,


Roger Trout, Director

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