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Simon Eching
State of California Department of Water Resources
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RE: AB 1881 – Intended Compliance with Water Efficient Landscape Ordinance
Mandate

Dear Mr. Eching:

This letter is in response to Assembly Bill 1881 which established a mandate for local agency adoption of a water efficient ordinance for landscaping. It requires local agencies to notify the Department of Water Resources (DWR) whether a local ordinance has been adopted or if the agency chooses to adopt and implement the State's model ordinance.

The City of Arcata completed a comprehensive update of our zoning regulations in October of 2008. We are currently evaluating the City's Landscaping Standards to determine if they meet the water efficient standards of the DWR model ordinance. The City is committed to making any amendments necessary to comply with DWR standards.

Sincerely,

Larry Oetker
Community Development Director