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Community Development Department
Planning Division

Mr. Simon Eching
California Department of Water Resources
Office of Water Use Efficiency
901 P Street, Third Floor
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Sacramento, CA 94236-0001

Subject: Notification of City of Belmont's Plans to Implement a Local Water Conservation in Landscaping Ordinance

Dear Mr. Eching,

Pursuant to AB1881, Section 65597, on or before January 31, 2010, each City or County within California is obligated to notify the California Department of Water Resources (DWR) as to whether that City or County is subject to the DWR updated model water-efficient landscape ordinance (DWR Model Ordinance), or whether that City or County has adopted its own water-efficient landscape ordinance.

The City of Belmont is writing to inform you that we are in the process of developing our own Water Conservation in Landscaping Ordinance (Ordinance). At this time we anticipate that our Ordinance will be adopted by April 27, 2010, and that it will be as least as effective as the DWR Model Ordinance in terms of conserving water. Once our Ordinance has been adopted, we will send DWR a copy for your records.

Our community has a strong commitment to conserving water and we are actively working on the development of our own Ordinance. We are also providing copies of the DWR Model Ordinance to project applicants for informational purposes until such time as our Ordinance comes into effect.

Should you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact me by telephone at (650) 637-2908, or by email at ddidonato@belmont.gov.

Sincerely,

Damon DiDonato
Senior Planner
City of Belmont

cc: BAWSCA