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Subject: Napa Pipe Project: CEQA Findings and Recommendation to the BOS - Written Testimony

The State Water Resources Control Board – Division of Drinking Water (Division) received a Notice of Planning Commission Hearing on November 10, 2014 for the “Napa Pipe Project” development. It is the Division’s understanding that the Napa Pipe Project plans to serve a significant number of residential, commercial, agricultural, and other types of units on parcels number 046-400-030 and 046-412-005. It is unclear what source will be used to supply this development. Unless the source is an existing public water system, the development must obtain a Domestic Water Supply permit from the Division. The permit process takes months to complete as a new water system is subject to a number of requirements such as the following examples from Chapter 16 California Waterworks Standards of the California Code of Regulations:

1. Section 64552, Initial Permit for Public Water Systems
2. Section 64554, New and Existing Source Capacity
3. Section 64558, Source Capacity Planning Study
4. Section 64560, New Well Siting, Construction, and Permit Application
5. Section 64651, Source Flow Meters
6. Section 64570, Materials and Installation
7. Section 64572, Water Main Separation
8. Section 64573, Minimum Water Main Size
9. Section 64602, Minimum Pressure
10. Additional Sections as required depending on the domestic water source

Given the matter before the Planning Commission is a recommendation to the Board of Supervisors to approve Design Guidelines associated with the Napa Pipe Project (Project), the Division wishes to make the developer aware that the Project may be subject to review and approval by the Division. §116525 of the California Health and Safety Code states that “no person shall operate a public water system unless he or she first submits an application to the department and receives a permit as provided in this chapter.” The developer is encouraged to **contact the Division during the early stages of design** to ensure the Project is in alignment with state and federal requirements.

Please consult the following website to access California Health and Safety Code (Statutes) and California Code of Regulations:

CA Drinking Water related Statutes and Regulations:

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/drinking_water/certlic/drinkingwater/Lawbook.shtml

A permit application may be obtained here:

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/drinking_water/certlic/drinkingwater/Permits.shtml

If the Napa Pipe Project is to have its own drinking water source and associated distribution system, the developer needs to contact the Division of Drinking Water Mendocino District at (707) 576-2145 to schedule an appointment to discuss the project and permitting process.

Sincerely,

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