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California State Water Resources Control Board
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Ms. Dinh:

The County of San Mateo commits to work with the California State Water Resources Control Board and other partners to implement a sustainable, long-term solution to connect the Pescadero Middle/High School with potable water.

The County will contribute financial and staff resources to pursue such a project that includes full consideration of extension of the County Service Area-11 (CSA-11) water line to the school, as well as the identification of potential environmental impacts and implementation of appropriate mitigation measures and consideration of project alternatives identified as part of the review of the project under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

The County Manager's Office will coordinate the efforts of various County departments to ensure ongoing cooperation and the timely completion of deliverables related to the project. County departments contributing to the project will include members of the staff of Supervisor Don Horsley, the Planning and Building Department, the Department of Public Works, Real Property Services, Environmental Health, County Fire, the Project Development Unit, County Counsel, and outside agencies including the Coastal Commission and the Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCo).

It is a County priority to provide clean drinking water to Pescadero Middle/High School and the County is committed to pursuing the extension of CSA-11 as a means of achieving this goal. The County is also considering the construction of a replacement fire station adjacent to the school. To foster effective use of public funds and minimize project duration, the County seeks to ensure all technical studies, design, and engineering prepared for the waterline extension to the school also encompass the proposed fire station. To this end, the County is prepared to pay any incremental costs associated with the technical analysis, design, and engineering of water supply to the proposed fire station, and will fund additional construction costs for the waterline extension as needed.

We are committed to working with the Water Board and other project stakeholders to pursue this project as quickly as possible.

Sincerely,

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County Manager/Clerk of the Board

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