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Honorable Paul Teixeira  
Chairperson, Board of Supervisors  
County of San Luis Obispo  
1050 Monterey Street  
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Subject: Recommendation that the Board of Supervisors Direct Environmental Health Staff to Update the Water Well Permit Application Form per the Conservation and Open Space Element

Dear Chairperson Teixeira:

On December 5, 2012, the Water Resources Advisory Committee (WRAC) voted to send a letter to your Board recommending that you direct Environmental Health Services staff to update the Water Well Permit Application Form per the Conservation and Open Space Element. The WRAC is available to work with staff on how this might be implemented.

Specific additions to the Water Well Permit Application Form are as follows.

- Whether the well is new or a replacement well.
- If a replacement well, why the well was replaced.
- If a replacement well, was the original well properly abandoned (if appropriate).
- The Resource Management System Level of Severity designation in the region of the proposed well site.
- Whether the well will be constructed in a groundwater basin or fractured rock.

These additions will provide useful information for decision-makers, particularly after the well permit information is digitized. The WRAC has been told in the past that digitization of well permit information is in progress. Since a water well permitting program is already in place, the data collection effort will be minimal.

#### Purpose of the Committee:

To advise the County Board of Supervisors concerning all policy decisions relating to the water resources of the SLO County Flood Control & Water Conservation District. To recommend to the Board specific water resource programs. To recommend methods of financing water resource programs.

*Excerpts from WRAC Bylaws dated 8/28/2012*

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully,



Sue Luft

Acting Chairperson, Water Resources Advisory Committee

cc: Curt Batson, SLO County Environmental Health Services