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**SUBJECT: PROPOSITION 84 DRAFT ADDENDUM TO IRWM PROGRAM GUIDELINES –
APPENDIX H: IRWM PLAN REVIEW PROCESS**

Dear Mr. Daum:

On October 2nd, the San Luis Obispo County Flood Control and Water Conservation District Water Resources Advisory Committee (WRAC) voted unanimously in support of the comments submitted to you by the San Luis Obispo County Integrated Regional Water Management (SLO IRWM) Regional Water Management Group (SLO RWMG) regarding the subject Draft Addendum.

The WRAC is a key stakeholder group in the SLO IRWM Region, comprised of water purveyors, resource conservation districts, environmental, agricultural and development representatives, and other water resources professionals. Our committee offers a unique perspective on and a distinct dedication to the overall well-being of water resources. IRWM is a critical component in establishing that well-being and we are supportive of the local IRWM Program implementation to address our highest priority resources challenges.

Please consider implementing revisions suggested by the SLO RWMG, described fully in their letter but listed below for your convenience:

- Implement alternative approach to improve efficiency of and expedite your Department's technical review of regions' IRWM Plans, while still empowering local stakeholders.
- Shorten the IRWM Plan submittal deadline from six (6) months to three (3) months prior to grant application deadline – providing critical time for regions to ensure plans are adequate.
- If an IRWM Plan "fails", allow RWMGs to make corrections up until the Round 3 Implementation Grant draft funding recommendations are made.

Thank you for considering this comment letter when finalizing the Draft Addendum.

Sincerely,

SUE LUFT
Chairperson, Water Resources Advisory Committee

Attachments: WRAC Representative List

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.