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Mr. Mark Hutchinson  
Environmental Programs Manager  
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County Government Center, Room 207  
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Subject: Re-use of effluent in the Basin  
Draft Environmental Impact Report, County of San Luis Obispo,  
Los Osos Valley Wastewater Project (LOWWP),  
State Clearinghouse No. 2007121034, dated November 14, 2008.

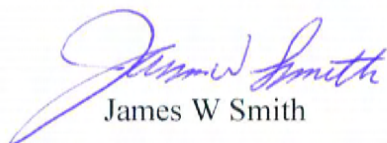
Dear Mr. Hutchinson,

The EIR should include the concept of returning all effluent water to the Los Osos Basin.

Present plans are to waste 842 AFY of treated effluent on sprayfields. Because we are in a Level III water emergency, and have seawater intrusion, it would be very short sighted to waste the water. The EIR should evaluate, and strongly advocate, the return of all Los Osos' scarce water to its aquifer, by injection wells or otherwise.

Please include this as an alternative in the EIR. Then we can work on a plan to implement the water savings and prevent seawater intrusion.

Thank you for your consideration.



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