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Ms. Jordan Hensley
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Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board
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Subject: Response to review of the Draft CEQA Initial Study/ Mitigated Negative Declaration – Oflyng Water Quality Control Project

Dear Ms. Hensley:

Thank you for your time to review the County of El Dorado Community Development Services, Department of Transportation (County) Draft CEQA Initial Study/ Mitigated Negative Declaration submittal for the Oflyng Water Quality Project (Project). The County acknowledges receipt of your comments via certified mail dated December 21, 2018.

As we discussed on the phone today, the project is located within the El Dorado County portion of the Tahoe Basin. As a result the project occurs within the jurisdiction of the Lahontan Region of the Water Quality Control Board (LRWQCB). The County has been coordinating with Elizabeth Van Diepen of the LRWQCB on future permitting of this project.

Provided below are general responses to the applicable sections listed in your letter.

1. Regulatory Settings – Basin Plan

Response: The County will be working within the regulatory framework as established in the Lahontan Region Basin Plan, including the amendments made to the Basin Plan for Lake Tahoe.

2. Permitting Requirements

Construction Stormwater General Permit

Response: The County will determine accurate disturbance numbers during the design process. Depending on the final amount of project disturbance the County will coordinate with the LRWQCB to obtain a Construction permit and/or SEZ disturbance exemption if required for construction.

Clean Water Act Section 401 / 404 Permit

Response: The County has been in contact with the United States Army Corps of Engineers (USACOE) in regards to the potential need for a 404 Permit. If needed, the

County will work the USACOE and LRWQCB to obtain the 404 and 401 Permits for construction of the project.

Dewatering Permit

Response: The County will follow the regulatory requirements established by the LRWQCB and the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency (TRPA) for dewatering, if needed for construction of the project.

NDPES Permit

Response: The County is currently under the Lake Tahoe Municipal NPDES Permit (Order R6T-2017-0010).

We thank you for your comments regarding the Oflyng Water Quality Project. The County will continue to inform the Lahontan Regional Water Quality Control Board of the progress of the Project through Project Delivery Team (PDT) meetings. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (530) 573-7914 or by email at daniel.kikkert@edcgov.us.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'D. Kikkert', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

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