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May 25, 2010

Nancy McDermid, Chair  
South Lake Tahoe Basin Waste Management Authority  
1901 Airport Road, Suite 100  
South Lake Tahoe, CA 96150

**Subject: Countywide Solid Waste Management Planning**

Dear Ms. McDermid:

The Board of Supervisors (Board) for the County of El Dorado would like to thank the South Lake Tahoe Basin Waste Management Authority (SLT JPA) for its participation on the Solid Waste Management Plan Advisory Committee (Committee). Through your efforts and those of the Committee, the County successfully wrote and released a Request for Proposals (RFP) for a countywide Solid Waste Management Plan (SWMP), reviewed RFP responses, interviewed respondents, and selected the most qualified consulting firm to perform this very important task of providing the County with a comprehensive SWMP.

Through the Committee's efforts and recommendations, the County has successfully negotiated and entered into a contract with the NewPoint Group to deliver a countywide SWMP. The proposal was accepted by the Board on February 23, 2010. The SWMP will focus on several aspects of solid waste planning including; a West Slope Joint Powers Authority, short and long range countywide solid waste planning, waste management facilities, alternative technologies, program enhancements, solid waste disposal, and the development of an implementation plan. The County believes that the SLT JPA will benefit greatly from the development of this SWMP.

The Board sees the development of a Countywide SWMP as a way to work together with the SLTJPA to address the collective needs of the County and strategize solutions that make sense for all parties involved. The Board believes that a collective approach to this plan will ensure a time and cost benefit savings for all entities who manage solid waste within their respective jurisdictions. As such, the Board respectfully requests the SLT JPA's consideration of providing a financial contribution to the development of the SWMP.

In the next week, the staff of the El Dorado County Environmental Management Department will be contacting you to schedule a meeting to discuss the SLT JPA's participation in a cost sharing

agreement for the development of this countywide Solid Waste Management Plan. If you have questions or would like to discuss this further please contact Gerri Silva, Director of Environmental Management at 530-621-6653.

Sincerely,

Norma Santiago, Chair  
County of El Dorado Board of Supervisors