



June 1, 2015

Mr. Kenneth A Harris Jr., Executive Officer  
Central Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board  
895 Aerovista Place, Suite 101  
San Luis Obispo, CA 93401-7906

Dear Mr. Harris:

In accordance with the schedule set forth in the Central Coast Regional Board's April 22, 2015 letter, the Central Coast Groundwater Coalition (CCGC or Coalition) is submitting the final "Northern Counties Groundwater Characterization: Salinas Valley, Pajaro Valley and Gilroy-Hollister Valley" (Northern Counties Report or Report). The Report is a compilation of the valley-specific characterization reports (Technical Memorandums), an analysis of data gaps and limitations, and final conclusions.

The Regional Board provided conditional approval of CCGC's Northern Counties Technical Memorandums and the Northern Counties Report (May 18, 2015 letter), pending the required revisions contained in the letter. The final Report addresses the Regional Board's required revisions, particularly the requirements for additional information regarding ancillary data (e.g., stable isotopes, pharmaceuticals, and noble gases) outlined in the CCGC Work Plan and an explanation regarding why these data are not included in the Report. The Technical Memorandums (TMs) appended to the draft Report submitted on behalf of CCGC on May 8, 2015 have been revised to address the Regional Board's May 18 requirements (a new Appendix F has been added to each TM).

With the submission of the final Northern Counties Report, the CCGC has complied with the terms and conditions set forth in the Northern Counties Work Plan. We would be pleased to respond to any questions on the final Report.

Sincerely,

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Parry Klassen  
Executive Director

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Tim Borel  
Chair, Board of Directors

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