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Mr. Cameron Scott Kirk  
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Dear Mr. Dal Poggetto and Mr. Kirk:

**ENFORCEMENT ACTION ENF00128 – AMENDED ADMINISTRATIVE CIVIL LIABILITY COMPLAINT AND AMENDED NOTICE OF PROPOSED CEASE AND DESIST ORDER REGARDING UNAUTHORIZED DIVERSION OF WATER WITHIN THE NAPA WATERSHED IN NAPA COUNTY**

Enclosed are an amended Administrative Civil Liability (ACL) Complaint and amended draft Cease and Desist Order (CDO) (Amended ACL and CDO) in the matter referenced above. On March 16, 2012 the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board), Division of Water Rights (Division) issued an ACL Complaint and draft CDO to “Newton Dalpoggetto Successor Trust, and Newton Dalpoggetto” as a trustee and individual (Original ACL and CDO).

Subsequently, Mr. Kirk informed the Division that the correct name of the trust that owns the property identified in the ACL and CDO is the Stornetta Family Trust (Stornetta) and that Mr. Newton Dal Poggetto is the Successor Trustee for Stornetta (referred to collectively hereafter as Respondents). Mr. Kirk also confirmed that Mr. Dal Poggetto has received notice of the ACL and CDO and requested a hearing on the Respondents’ behalf.

The enclosed Amended ACL and CDO have been issued to correct a scrivener’s error in the property owners’ name found in the county’s ownership records, which in turn was transferred to the Original ACL and CDO. In addition, the Amended ACL and CDO only name Mr. Dal Poggetto in his capacity as the Trustee for Stornetta Family Trust and not as an individual based on additional information demonstrating that his role is limited to Successor Trustee.

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The Division Enforcement Staff acknowledges that the Respondents have requested a hearing in response to the Original ACL and CDO, and presume that the hearing request applies equally to the Amended ACL and CDO. Accordingly, we do not see a need to restate that request and/or delay any hearing on this matter. In fact, Division Enforcement Staff is prepared to proceed with a hearing on this matter on September 2, 2014 as tentatively scheduled by the State Water Board in its April 18, 2014 notice letter.

Sincerely,



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STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD

DIVISION OF WATER RIGHTS

**AMENDED ADMINISTRATIVE CIVIL LIABILITY COMPLAINT**

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In the Matter of Unauthorized Diversion and  
Failure to File a Statement of Water Diversion and Use by

**Stornetta Family Trust and Newton Dal Poggetto (trustee)  
(Formerly named as Newton Dalpoggetto Successor Trust and  
Newton Dalpoggetto (trustee and individual))**

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SOURCE: Unnamed Stream tributary to Napa River

COUNTY: Napa

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**YOU ARE HEREBY GIVEN NOTICE THAT:**

1. The Stornetta Family Trust and Newton Dal Poggetto (trustee) (referred to collectively as Dal Poggetto) is alleged to have violated California Water Code section 1052(a), which states:  
  
*The diversion or use of water subject to [division 2 of the Water Code (commencing with section 1000)] other than as authorized in [division 2] is a trespass.*
2. California Water Code section 1052(b) provides that the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) may administratively impose civil liability in an amount not to exceed \$500 for each day that a trespass occurs.
3. California Water Code sections 5100-5107 establish a program requiring persons (with some exceptions not relevant to you) who divert water from a surface stream to file Statements of Water Diversion and Use (Statement).
4. Dal Poggetto is alleged to have violated California Water Code section 5101, which states, in part:  
  
*Each person who, after December 31, 1965 diverts water shall file with the board, prior to July 1 of the succeeding year, a statement of his or her diversion and use . . .*
5. California Water Code section 5107(c)(1) provides that the State Water Board may administratively impose civil liability in the amount of \$1,000 for the failure to file a Statement, plus \$500 per day for each additional day on which the violation continues if the person fails to file a Statement within 30 days after the State Water Board has called the violation to the attention of that person.
6. California Water Code section 1055(a) provides that the Executive Director of the State Water Board may issue a complaint to any person or entity on whom Administrative Civil Liability (ACL) may be imposed. On May 17, 1999, the Executive Director delegated to the Deputy Director for Water Rights the authority to issue a complaint to impose an ACL under California Water Code section 1055(a). Pursuant to State Water Board Resolution 2007-0057, the Deputy Director for Water Rights is authorized to issue an Order imposing an ACL when a complaint has been issued and no hearing has been requested within 20 days of receipt of the complaint. State Water Board Resolution 2007-0057 also authorizes redelegation of this authority from the Deputy Director for Water Rights to the Assistant Deputy Director for Water Rights. This authority has been redelegated.

**ALLEGATIONS**

7. In December 2007 the State Water Board produced a draft Substitute Environmental Document (SED) as part of its development of the Policy for Maintaining Instream Flows in Northern California Coastal Streams (Instream Flow Policy). Appendix E of the SED contains the report Potential Indirect Environmental Impacts of Modification or Removal of Existing Unauthorized Dams produced by Stetson Engineers in December 2007. In order to complete this report, Stetson Engineers produced a Geographic Information System (GIS) layer which identified the locations of the existing potential unauthorized dams. In June and July of 2011, a review of the GIS layer, aerial photographs, and United States Geological Survey (USGS) topographic maps of the Napa River watershed was undertaken by the State Water Board, Division of Water Rights (Division). The review provided evidence that Napa County Assessor's Parcel Number (APN) 047-070-018 contained a reservoir that appears to collect surface flow from an unnamed stream and is subject to the permitting authority of the State Water Board. According to Napa County Records, Newton Dal Poggetto is the current owner and trustee of parcel 047-070-018. From a review of water rights filed with the Division, the Division concluded that there was no record of a Statement having been filed in accordance with Water Code section 5101 et seq. for the reservoir on this parcel.
8. On August 18, 2011, the Division mailed Dal Poggetto a letter which notified Dal Poggetto that a reservoir had been identified on APN 047-070-018 (Notice Letter). The Notice Letter informed Dal Poggetto that the State Water Board does not have any record of a Statement or an appropriate water right authorizing the diversion of water for the subject property and that they need to file for a water right if the reservoir is collecting water to storage from a surface stream. The Notice Letter explains that unauthorized diversions are considered a trespass against the state for which the State Water Board may issue a civil liability in the amount of \$500 per day for each day that the trespass occurs. Additionally, the Notice Letter advised them of the requirements to file a Statement and potential penalties for failure to file a Statement pursuant to Water Code section 5100, et seq. Lastly, the Notice Letter requested that Dal Poggetto take one of the following actions: (1) if Dal Poggetto is claiming an existing basis of right or diverting water not subject to the State Water Board's permitting authority, then he should submit evidence supporting those facts within 30 days of the receipt of the Notice Letter; or (2) If Dal Poggetto agrees that the diversion was subject to the permitting authority of the State Water Board, then the Notice Letter gave Dal Poggetto 60 days to develop and submit a corrective action plan to prevent the unauthorized diversion of water.
9. As of February 24, 2012, Dal Poggetto has not responded in any manner to the Notice Letter. The Notice Letter was sent regular mail via the U.S. Postal Service to the address of record with the Napa County Tax Assessor's office for Mr. Dal Poggetto and is presumed to have been delivered because it has not been returned by the U.S. Postal Service as undeliverable. Dal Poggetto has not submitted any of the following: (1) evidence supporting an existing basis of right or demonstrating that the diversion is not subject to the State Water Board's permitting authority; (2) a corrective action plan describing how Dal Poggetto would prevent further unauthorized diversions from occurring; nor (3) a Statement for the diversion in question.
10. In December 2011 the Division did a detailed review of National Agriculture Imagery Program aerial photographs dated 2010 available from United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) (Exhibit A) and the Napa USGS Quadrangle map, dated 1980 (Exhibit B). These aerial images and maps clearly show that the reservoir is formed by a single axis dam that has been constructed across an ephemeral stream channel. Division staff estimates the watershed area above the dam is 170 acres and the reservoir surface area when full is approximately 2.0 acres. Assuming an average depth of 15 feet, Division staff estimates that the reservoir could store approximately 21.0 acre-feet. Using precipitation data from USGS Digital Line Graphs and the watershed area Division staff estimate an average annual runoff of 99 acre-feet. The location of the reservoir, area of the watershed, capacity of the reservoir, and average annual runoff, demonstrate that any reduction in water stored in the reservoir due to consumptive use, evaporation, and/or seepage would be refilled annually. Therefore, the dam and reservoirs constitutes a diversion of water as defined by Water Code section 5100. Furthermore, the reservoir is a post-1914 diversion and use because it was not included on the original 1951 USGS Quadrangle map (Exhibit B) and is first documented on the map in 1980 as a photo revision. Therefore, the reservoir is a diversion and use subject to the State Water Board's permitting authority (division 2 of the Water Code) for which Dal Poggetto has not applied, or obtained a water right permit.

11. On March 16, 2012 the State Water Board issued an ACL Complaint and draft Cease and Desist Order to "Newton Dalpoggetto Successor Trust, and Newton Dalpoggetto" as a trustee and individual containing the same facts and allegations alleged herein (Original ACL and CDO). The Party names in the Original ACL and CDO were incorrect due to a scrivener's error in the county's ownership records. This amended ACL is being issued to correct the errors in the party names. In addition, this amended ACL no longer names Mr. Dal Poggetto as an individual.

### PROPOSED CIVIL LIABILITY

12. The basis of this complaint is the unauthorized diversion, storage, and use of water by Dal Poggetto since at least 2005 and the failure to file a Statement for the diversion of water at the reservoir. The unauthorized diversion and use of water constitutes a trespass subject to liability under California Water Code section 1052 and the failure to file a Statement constitutes a violation subject to liability in accordance with California Water Code section 5107.
13. The maximum civil liability that can be imposed by the State Water Board in the matter of the unauthorized diversion and use of the water is \$500 for each day in which the trespass occurred. Evidence demonstrates that the reservoir has been in existence and continuously holding water since 1980. Dal Poggetto has owned the property since 2005 and has collected water from the unnamed stream and continuously held some water in storage for at least six years. Considering only the last three years of unauthorized diversion and use, a civil liability of at least \$547,500 could be considered (\$500 per day x 1095 days) for the trespass in this case.
14. In addition, Dal Poggetto failed to file a Statement for their diversion and use of water from the unnamed stream for either 2009 or 2010 by the deadline of July 1 of either year. The California Water Code section 5107(c)(1) provides that the State Water Board may administratively impose civil liability pursuant to section 1055 in an amount not to exceed \$1,000, plus \$500 per day for each additional day on which the violation continues if the person fails to file a Statement within 30 days after the State Water Board has called the violation to the attention of that person. Such notice was provided by the Notice Letter on August 18, 2011. By February 24, 2012, Dal Poggetto has been on notice of the requirements for filing a Statement for 190 days, therefore the maximum civil liability that can be considered at this time is \$1,000 plus 160 days (\$500), or \$81,000.
15. In total the State Water Board could consider a penalty of \$628,500 (\$547,500 plus \$81,000) for both the unauthorized diversion and the failure to file a Statement. In determining the amount of civil liability, California Water Code section 1055.3 requires that the State Water Board consider all relevant circumstances, including, but not limited to, the extent of harm caused by the violation, the nature and persistence of the violation, the length of time over which the violation occurs, and any corrective action taken by the violator.
16. In this case, Dal Poggetto has collected and stored water from the unnamed stream. These diversions have annually reduced the amount of water available for legitimate downstream water right holders and for the Central California Coastal steelhead trout fishery and other riparian habitat. While the adverse impacts of unauthorized water diversions on prior right holders and the steelhead trout fishery have not been quantified for this case, unauthorized diversions of water have been shown to contribute to the cumulative impact of reducing water supplies and habitat for steelhead trout. The State of California lists the Central California Coastal steelhead as a species of special concern, and on August 18, 1997, the National Marine Fisheries Service listed the steelhead trout as threatened under the Federal Endangered Species Act. As of this date, Dal Poggetto has failed to take any corrective action.
17. Dal Poggetto received an economic advantage over other legitimate water diverters in the area by foregoing the costs of buying the water or pumping groundwater from a well, forgoing the cost of acquiring an appropriative water right, and forgoing the cost of annual water right fees. Dal Poggetto's property contains a reservoir with an estimated capacity of 21.0 acre-feet. The University of California Cooperative Extension has produced cost studies for various crops and commodities for different regions of California. Studies produced for the North Coast region for production of wine grapes and olive oil from 2009 through 2011 all indicate the typical cost of pumping groundwater from a 120 foot deep well with a 10 horsepower motor is approximately \$198 per acre-foot. The reservoir has existed since at least 1980 and Dal Poggetto has owned

the property since 2005. Evaporation losses for the 21 acre-foot reservoir have been estimated at 6 acre-feet per year. Not considering consumptive use of water or seepage loss from the reservoir, Dal Poggetto has replaced at least evaporation losses in each of the last three years that Dal Poggetto has owned the property. Accordingly, Dal Poggetto has avoided paying an estimated \$3,564.

Additionally, the Division estimates that its staff cost to review the existing project and develop the enforcement documents to be \$ 2,200. If this matter goes to hearing, it is estimated that the additional staff cost to prosecute this case would be \$10,000. The water right filing fee for 21.0 acre-feet of water would be \$1,165 and the annual water right fees since fiscal year 2009-10 would be \$350.

18. Having taken into consideration the factors described above, and the enforcement goal of deterrence, the Assistant Deputy Director for Water Rights recommends an ACL for the past three years of violation in the amount of **\$22,800**. This liability amount includes a proposed \$1,000 for failure to file required Statements and is the minimum liability recommended by the Division Prosecution Team in order to recover staff costs incurred and to impose a disincentive for continued unauthorized diversions and violations of the new Statement law. Should the matter go to hearing, the State Water Board may consider a different liability, including additional staff costs incurred, up to the maximum amount provided by law.

#### RIGHT TO HEARING

19. Dal Poggetto filed a timely request for a hearing on this matter before the State Water Board in response to the Original ACL complaint and CDO. (Water Code, sec. 1055, subd. (b).)
20. Dal Poggetto will have an opportunity to be heard and to contest the allegations in this complaint and the imposition of an ACL by the State Water Board. A separate notice setting the time and place for the hearing will be mailed no later than 10 days before the hearing date.
21. The State Water Board will consider at the hearing whether to impose the civil liability, and if so, whether to adjust the proposed liability within the amount authorized by statute. Based on the evidence received at the hearing, the State Water Board may take any appropriate action in accordance with sections 100, 275, and 1050 et seq. of the Water Code and its responsibilities under the public trust doctrine. Any State Water Board Order imposing an ACL shall be final and effective upon issuance.
22. If Dal Poggetto does not wish to participate in a hearing, within 20 days of the date of this complaint Dal Poggetto shall file a Statement, waive his rights to a hearing and reconsideration of this matter, and remit a cashier's check or money order for the amount of the ACL set forth in paragraph 18 above, to:

State Water Resources Control Board  
Division of Water Rights  
Enforcement Section  
P.O. Box 2000  
Sacramento, CA 95812-2000

STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD



*John O'Hagan, Acting Assistant Deputy Director  
Division of Water Rights*

Dated:

**MAY 01 2014**

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CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY  
STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD

DIVISION OF WATER RIGHTS

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**AMENDED CEASE AND DESIST ORDER**

In the Matter of Unauthorized Diversion by

**Stornetta Family Trust and Newton Dal Poggetto (trustee)  
(Formerly named as Newton Dalpoggetto Successor Trust and  
Newton Dalpoggetto (trustee and individual))**

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SOURCE: Unnamed Stream tributary to Napa River

COUNTY: Napa

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The State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board or Board) is authorized under Water Code section 1831 to issue a Cease and Desist Order (CDO) requiring Stornetta Family Trust and Newton Dal Poggetto (trustee) (to be collectively referred to as Dal Poggetto) to cease and/or abate a threatened, unauthorized diversion, storage, and use of water in violation of California Water Code section 1052.

Dal Poggetto is alleged to have violated or is threatening to violate California Water Code section 1052 for which section 1831 (d) provides, in part:

*The State Water Board is authorized to issue a Cease and Desist Order when it determines that any person is violating or threatening to violate any of the following:*

- (1) *The prohibition set forth in section 1052 against the diversion or use of water subject to division 2 (commencing with section 1000) of the Water Code other than as authorized by division 2.*

On [DATE], and in accordance with the provisions of section 1834 of the California Water Code, the State Water Board, Division of Water Rights (Division) provided notice of the CDO against Dal Poggetto for the violation and threatened violation of the prohibition against unauthorized diversion, storage, and use of water. Pursuant to State Water Board Resolution 2007-0057, the Deputy Director for Water Rights is authorized to issue a notice of cease and desist, and when a hearing has not been timely requested, issue a CDO in accordance with Water Code section 1831 et seq. State Water Board Resolution 2007-0057 also authorizes redelegation of this authority from the Deputy Director for Water Rights to the Assistant Deputy Director for Water Rights. This authority has been redelegated.

The State Water Board or its delegee, the Assistant Deputy Director for Water Rights, finds that:

1. The Stornetta Family Trust owns property that includes a reservoir on an unnamed stream tributary to Napa River. Any water diverted to storage in the reservoir from the unnamed stream is subject to the State Water Board's permitting and licensing authority as detailed in division 2 (commencing with section 1000) of the California Water Code.

2. Dal Poggetto does not have a water right permit or license to store surface water in said reservoir.
3. Dal Poggetto has violated Water Code section 1052 in the past by diverting surface water from the unnamed stream to storage in the reservoir for later use without a basis of right.
4. The reservoir also presents a threat of future unauthorized diversion and use of water in violation of Water Code section 1052.

#### **FACTUAL BASIS FOR ISSUING A CDO**

The facts and information upon which this CDO is based are as follows:

1. In December 2007 the State Water Board produced a draft Substitute Environmental Document (SED) as part of its development of the Policy for Maintaining Instream Flows in Northern California Coastal Streams (Instream Flow Policy). Appendix E of the SED contains the report Potential Indirect Environmental Impacts of Modification or Removal of Existing Unauthorized Dams produced by Stetson Engineers in December 2007. In order to complete this report, Stetson Engineers produced a Geographic Information System (GIS) layer which identified the locations of the existing potential unauthorized dams. In June and July of 2011, a review of the GIS layer, aerial photographs, and United States Geological Survey (USGS) topographic maps of the Napa River watershed was undertaken by the Division staff. The review provided evidence that Napa County Assessor's Parcel Number (APN) 047-070-018 contained a reservoir that appears to collect surface flow from an unnamed stream and is subject to the permitting authority of the State Water Board. According to Napa County, Newton Dal Poggetto Successor Trust is the current owner of parcel 047-070-018. From a review of water rights filed with the Division, the Division concluded that there was no record of an Initial Statement of Water Diversion and Use (Statement) having been filed in accordance with Water Code section 5101 et. seq. for the reservoir on this parcel.
2. On August 18, 2011, the Division mailed Dal Poggetto a letter which notified Dal Poggetto that a reservoir had been identified on APN 047-070-018 (Notice Letter). The Notice Letter informed Dal Poggetto that the State Water Board does not have any record of a Statement or an appropriate water right authorizing the diversion of water for the subject property and that they need to file for a water right if the reservoir is collecting water to storage from a surface stream. The Notice Letter explains that unauthorized diversions are considered a trespass against the state for which the State Water Board may issue a civil liability in the amount of \$500 per day for each day that the trespass occurs. Additionally, the Notice Letter advised them of the requirements to file a Statement and potential penalties for failure to file a Statement pursuant to Water Code section 5100, et seq. Lastly, the Notice Letter requested that Dal Poggetto take one of the following actions: (1) if Dal Poggetto is claiming an existing basis of right or diverting water not subject to the State Water Board's permitting authority, then he should submit evidence supporting those facts within 30 days of the receipt of the Notice Letter; or (2) If Dal Poggetto agrees that the diversion was subject to the permitting authority of the State Water Board, then the Notice Letter gave Dal Poggetto 60 days to develop and submit a corrective action plan to prevent the unauthorized diversion of water.
3. As of February 24, 2012, Dal Poggetto has not responded in any manner to the Notice Letter. The Notice Letter was sent regular mail via the U.S. Postal Service to the address of record with the Napa County Tax Assessor's office for Mr. Dal Poggetto and is presumed to have been delivered because it has not been returned as undeliverable. Dal Poggetto has not submitted any of the following: (1) evidence supporting an existing basis of right or demonstrating that the diversion is not subject to the State Water Board's permitting authority; (2) a corrective action plan describing how Dal Poggetto would prevent further unauthorized diversions from occurring; nor (3) a Statement.



4. In December 2011 the Division did a detailed review of National Agriculture Imagery Program aerial photographs dated 2010 available from United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) (Exhibit A) and the Napa USGS Quadrangle map, dated 1980 (Exhibit B). These aerial images and maps clearly show that the reservoir is formed by a single axis dam that has been constructed across an ephemeral stream channel. Division staff estimates the watershed area above the dam is 170 acres and the reservoir surface area when full is approximately 2.0 acres. Assuming an average depth of 15 feet, Division staff estimates that the reservoir could store approximately 21.0 acre-feet. Using precipitation data from USGS Digital Line Graphs and the watershed area, Division staff estimates an average annual runoff of 99 acre-feet. The location of the reservoir, area of the watershed, capacity of the reservoir, and average annual runoff, demonstrate that any reduction in water stored in the reservoir due to consumptive use, evaporation, and/or seepage would be refilled annually. Therefore, the dam and reservoirs constitute a diversion of water as defined by Water Code section 5100. Furthermore, the reservoir is a post-1914 diversion and use because it was not included on the original 1951 USGS Quadrangle map (Exhibit B) and is instead documented for the first time in 1980 as a photo revision to the map. Accordingly, the reservoir is a diversion and use subject to the State Water Board's permitting authority (division 2 of the Water Code) for which Dal Poggetto has not applied, or obtained a water right permit.

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED**, pursuant to sections 1831 through 1836 of the California Water Code, that Dal Poggetto shall cease the unauthorized diversion of water from the unnamed stream tributary to Napa River, file a Statement of Water Diversion and Use for the diversion of water at the reservoir, and pursue one of the following corrective action options and satisfy the appropriate time schedules outlined herein:

**Corrective Action Options**

**Option 1:**

1. If the reservoir in question qualifies for a Small Domestic Use or Livestock Stockpond Registration in accordance with Water Code sections 1228 and forward, then within 30 days of the date of this Order, the owner shall provide evidence to the Assistant Deputy Director for Water Rights that a Small Domestic Use or Livestock Stockpond Registration form has been completed and submitted to the Water Rights Coordinator for the Department of Fish and Wildlife (DFW) in the Region 3 Office in Napa, and Dal Poggetto must diligently pursue that registration.
2. If DFW or the State Water Board rejects Dal Poggetto's registration request on the grounds that the reservoir in question is not eligible for registration, then within 30 days of DFW or the State Board issuing that decision Dal Poggetto shall: (1) file an appropriate water right application with the Division and comply with Option 2 below; or (2) inform the State Water Board that they will not pursue a water right permit and will comply with Option 3 below.

**Option 2:**

1. Within 30 days of the date of this Order, Dal Poggetto shall file an appropriate water right application with the Division for storage and use of water in their reservoir, and diligently pursue securing a permit by satisfying all Division requests for information, environmental documents, maps, and fees within the designated time frames, or any extension of time granted by the Division; and

2. Within 90 days of the date of this Order, Dal Poggetto shall submit a reservoir operation plan (Operation Plan) for acceptance by the Assistant Deputy Director for Water Rights. The Operation Plan must demonstrate how the reservoir will be operated without storing additional water subject to the State Water Board's permitting authority, or alternatively how it will be operated in compliance with the State Water Board's Instream Flow Policy. If Dal Poggetto intends to continue to divert and store water subject to the State Water Board's permitting authority while pursuing a water right permit through the application process, then the Operation Plan must at a minimum detail interim operating conditions consistent with Section 2.2 of the Instream Flow Policy. Specifically, the reservoir Operation Plan shall describe how Dal Poggetto will bypass all water outside the Instream Flow Policy's diversion season of December 15<sup>th</sup> to March 31<sup>st</sup>, provide for an appropriate minimum bypass flow (MBF) during the diversion season, and keep hourly records of the diversion of water. The MBF should be based on the criteria in Instream Flow Policy Table 2.1 with the assumption that the points of diversion are below anadromy until it is demonstrated to the Division's satisfaction that the points of diversion are on a Class II or Class III stream. If it is determined that the point of diversion is on a Class II or Class III stream, then the interim MBF should be based on the February median flow. The reservoir Operation Plan shall include the installation of measuring devices and bypass facilities, a monitoring and reporting schedule for those facilities that comply with Section 10 of the Instream Flow Policy, and a schedule detailing the completion date for the construction of those facilities. Dal Poggetto shall implement the Operation Plan in accordance with the schedule contained therein. No additional water shall be collected to storage unless consistent with the Operation Plan as accepted by the Assistant Deputy Director for Water Rights, if and until a permit is issued pursuant to Dal Poggetto's water right application submitted in accordance with paragraph 1 of this option.
3. If the State Water Board denies or cancels Dal Poggetto's water right application, then within 150 days of the State Board issuing that decision Dal Poggetto shall submit a plan to the Assistant Deputy Director for Water Rights for permanently rendering the reservoir incapable of storing water subject to the permitting authority of the State Water Board. The plan must satisfy the same requirements and is subject to the same acceptance criteria that are detailed below in Option 3.

Or,

**Option 3:**

1. Within 30 days of the date of this Order, Dal Poggetto shall inform the State Water Board that he will not pursue a water right permit to authorize the collection of water to storage from the unnamed stream. Thereafter, within 150 days of the date of this Order, Dal Poggetto shall submit a plan to the Assistant Deputy Director for Water Rights to permanently render the reservoir incapable of storing water subject to the State Water Board's permitting authority. The plan shall include a time schedule not to exceed two years for completion of the proposed alteration and the identification of any permits or agreements necessary from other federal, state and local agencies to complete the work. Upon acceptance of the plan by the Assistant Deputy Director as sufficient to render the reservoir incapable of being an unauthorized diversion or threat of future diversion in violation of Water Code section 1052, Dal Poggetto shall diligently comply with all provisions and time schedules of the plan. If Dal Poggetto is unable to comply fully with the plan due to other federal, state, or local agencies with authority over the work required, Dal Poggetto shall immediately alert the Assistant Deputy Director for Water Rights of the reason for delay and any problems with fully complying with the provisions of the plan and diligently work to overcome such obstacles.

### **Compliance with Future Directives of Division**

Whichever corrective action option is taken, Dal Poggetto shall comply with any written directive of the Assistant Deputy Director for Water Rights regarding that corrective action option until such time as the State Water Board issues a water right permit or the reservoir is rendered incapable of storing water subject to State Water Board's permitting authority.

### **Consequences of Non-Compliance**

In the event Dal Poggetto fails to comply with the requirements of this Order, he shall be in violation of this CDO and subject to additional enforcement, which may include the imposition of administrative civil liability pursuant to Water Code section 1845 (b)(1) of up to \$1,000 for each day in which the violation occurs, or referral to the Attorney General to take further enforcement action as described in California Water Code section 1845(a):

**Failure of any person to comply with a CDO issued by the State Water Board pursuant to this chapter may subject that person to further enforcement action, including assessment of civil liability of up to one thousand dollars a day and referral to the Attorney General for the issuance of prohibitory or mandatory injunctive relief as appropriate, including a temporary restraining order, preliminary injunction, or permanent injunction.**

### **Reservation of Enforcement Authority and Discretion**

Nothing in this Order is intended to or shall be construed to limit or preclude the State Water Board from exercising its authority under any statute, regulation, ordinance, or other law, including but not limited to, the authority to bring enforcement against Dal Poggetto for unauthorized diversion or use in violation of Water Code section 1052 regardless of compliance with an Operation Plan or other corrective action plan accepted in accordance with a corrective action option described above.

### **Regulatory Changes**

Nothing in this Order shall excuse Dal Poggetto from meeting any more stringent requirements that may be imposed hereafter by applicable legally binding legislation, regulations or water right permit requirements.

STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD

*John O'Hagan, Acting Assistant Deputy Director  
Division of Water Rights*

Dated: