



## State Water Resources Control Board

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In Reply Refer to: BRC:A016795

Mr. John H. Friend 10200 Arno Road Galt, CA 95632

Dear Mr. Friend:

WITHDRAWAL OF ADMINISTRATIVE CIVIL LIABILITY COMPLAINT FOR FAILURE TO FILE 2010 ANNUAL USE REPORT UNDER LICENSE 6981 (APPLICATION 16795), UNNAMED STREAM IN SACRAMENTO COUNTY, APNS 148-0041-001, -0031-007 AND -0010-018

On September 13, 2012, the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board), Division of Water Rights (Division) issued an Administrative Civil Liability (ACL) Complaint to John H. Friend for failure to file the 2010 annual use report under the subject right. You had 20 days from receipt of the ACL Complaint to either accept a proposed settlement offer and submit the 2010 annual use report or request a hearing. A request for hearing was received by fax on October 1, 2012.

In response to our September 13, 2012 ACL Complaint, you informed the Division that the parcels served by the subject right were sold over 20 years ago. The Division conducted research in October 2012 into your statement and found the current owner of the subject parcels, Twin Cities Business Park, has owned the parcels since 1988.

Since a water right ownership change was not submitted with the identification of the new owner in 1988, the Division maintained ownership in your name. You indicated the annual fee payments for the subject right were paid under your assumption that the fees were for your current residential property, which is different than the subject parcels.

Since timely payments of the annual fees were made, and no communication aside from confirmed certified mail receipt cards were received by you in response to the draft and final Cease and Desist Orders (CDO), the Division issued the ACL Complaint.

After review of the current ownership information, the Division withdraws the ACL Complaint.

Sincerely,

James W. Kassel, Assistant Deputy Director

Division of Water Rights

ec: Michael Buckman, Chief

James W. Kussel

Hearings Unit