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RE: MARBLE MOUNTAIN RANCH/ STANSHAW CREEK WATER RIGHT DIVISION AND
NORTH COAST REGIONAL WATER BOARD INSPECTION REPORTS AND NOTICE
OF VIOLATION

Dear Mr. Cole and Ms. Brenner,

Staff from the North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board (Regional Water Board) and the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) Division of Water Rights (Division) have received and reviewed your response to the Inspection Reports and Notice of Violation.

The Regional Water Board and the State Water Board are pleased by the proposed immediate solutions and your stated willingness to work towards long-term solutions. However, we must see commitment to corrective actions that will substantially address the concerns described in the Division of Water Rights Report of Inspection and the Regional Water Board's Inspection Report in a timely manner. There is no evidence of any such commitment in your response.

The Regional Water Board and State Water Board will therefore begin moving forward with formal enforcement action. This may include a cleanup and abatement order and potentially also an administrative civil liability or cease and desist order. If the Regional Water Board or State Water Board issues an enforcement order they may consider any corrective actions you have taken on your own or that you are taking on your own. It is our understanding that certain public funding remains available so long as the Regional Water Board and State Water Board corrective actions remain "recommendations." If the Regional Water Board or State Water Board issue enforcement orders you could lose your eligibility for such public funding in addition to being responsible for administrative civil liability and corrective actions ordered.

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You are welcome to contact me if you have any questions or if you would like to discuss this further. I may be reached via e-mail at kenneth.petruzzelli@waterboards.ca.gov or by phone at 916-319-8577. Written correspondence should be addressed as follows: State Water Resources Control Board, Attn: Kenneth Petruzzeli, P.O. Box, Sacramento, CA 95812-2000.

Sincerely,



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