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Ms. Debra Hallis
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Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board
364 Knollcrest Drive, Suite 205
Redding, California 96002

Re: *Notice of Intent to Renew Resolution No. R5-2010-0022
Conditional Waiver of Waste Discharge Requirements for Discharges
Related to Timber Activities in the Central Valley Region*

Dear Ms. Hallis,

The California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE) appreciates the opportunity to comment on the proposed renewal of Resolution No. R5-2010-0022 Conditional Waiver of Waste Discharge Requirements for Discharges Related to Timber Activities in the Central Valley Region (Timber Waiver).

CAL FIRE strongly supports the proposed renewal of the Timber Waiver, without modification, for an additional three (3) years. The current Timber Waiver adopted on March 18, 2010, and which expires on March 31, 2015, has been working well. In combination with the California Forest Practice Rules and the Timber Harvesting Planning process, the Timber Waiver is effective in protecting the beneficial uses of water in the Central Valley Hydrologic Region. We will continue to work closely with the CVRWQCB staff to protect water quality in the Central Valley Region.

If you have questions for CAL FIRE regarding this letter, please contact Clay Brandow, CAL FIRE Hydrologist, at (916) 653-0719 or via email at clay.brandow@fire.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

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Deputy Director

cc: Clay Brandow