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NOTICE OF PROPOSED MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION Pursuant to Section 21080(c) – Public Resources Code

The staff of the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) has prepared a Mitigated Negative Declaration setting forth the findings that the following proposed action will have a less than significant effect on the environment.

PROJECT TITLE: Petition to Change Water Right Licenses 11862 and 12206 of Peninsula Open Space Trust

PETITIONER: Peninsula Open Space Trust
c/o Tina Coleman
222 High Street
Palo Alto, CA 94301

PROJECT LOCATION:

The project is located on the Johnston Ranch, an 862 acre property in San Mateo County situated directly south of the City of Half Moon Bay. The proposed point of diversion is located on the Arroyo Leon, tributary to Pilarcitos Creek, thence the Pacific Ocean.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

Pursuant to Licenses 11862 and 12206, water is collected from Arroyo Leon at two points of diversion (PODs). Peninsula Open Space Trust filed a Change Petition with the State Water Board to obtain authorization to divert water at a new POD to storage in three existing tributary onstream reservoirs and to remove the two existing PODs.

DETERMINATION:

The State Water Board has determined that the above-described project will have a less than significant effect on the environment for the reasons specified in the Initial Study prepared for this project.

The Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration and the Initial Study in support of the proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration are available on the Division of Water Rights website at http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/waterrights/water_issues/programs/ceqa/index.shtml. A hard copy of these documents or additional information concerning the proposed action may be obtained by writing to Matt McCarthy, Division of Water Rights, P.O. Box 2000, Sacramento, CA 95812-2000, by email at mmccarthy@waterboards.ca.gov or by phone at (916) 341-5310.

Persons who disagree with the conclusions set forth in the Mitigated Negative Declaration or who disagree with the information contained therein are invited to furnish written comments to Matt McCarthy at the above address. The comments should summarize the specific substantive and factual basis for disagreement. The final date for submitting comments is 30 days from the date of this notice.

for
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Barbara Evoy, Deputy Director
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Dated: **JUL 14 2011**