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Jennifer J. Bitting, P.E.
Storm Water Program Manager
California Regional Water Quality Control Board
Central Coast Region
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San Luis Obispo, CA 93401-7906

Dear Jennifer:

The San Luis Obispo County Community FireSafe Council recently was informed of potential mitigation fines that may become available for the Santa Rosa Creek Watershed.

The Cambria Forest Committee recently sent you a letter detailing a proposal to implement a Cambria Forest Management Plan that addresses key watershed management issues involving the Cambria Monterey Pine Forest. The California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection and the San Luis Obispo County Community FireSafe Council have targeted the Cambria area as a high risk area for wildfire. The implementation of the Cambria Forest Management Plan would not only reduce the risk of fire but would reduce the risk of catastrophic impacts to the watershed in a fires aftermath.

We support the implementation of the Plan and urge full consideration of the California Regional Water Quality Control Board to direct mitigation funds towards this effort.

Sincerely,

Shirley Bianchi, Chairperson
San Luis Obispo County Community FireSafe Council

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cc: Cambria Forest Committee; Cambria FireSafe Focus Group; Roger Briggs, RWQCB;
CCSD, General Manager; Coast Union Board of Trustees and Superintendent

Item No. 6 Attachment 7
July 7-8, 2005 Meeting
Cambria Elementary School
San Luis Obispo County