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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, April 16, 2015 4:56 PM
To: Chee, Michael@Waterboards
Cc: Christian, Vince@Waterboards
Subject: Anna Gomez Objection Letter to Settlement Agreement SVCSD

To Whom it may concern:

The Sonoma Valley County Sanitation District agreement does not include the 10 miles of collection system that need to be repaired or replaced per The Sonoma Valley Budget Plan 2012-2013, The Final Report County Of Sonoma Municipal Review 2004. It does not include the \$45 million dollars of repairs that were identified by the SF Waterboard in 2002 that have still not been repaired.

Sonoma Valley County Sanitation District continues to be in violation of their Discharge Permit and will continue to be until all repairs are made to the collection system. The original report of the deteriorating, leaking pipes were first documented in 1994. Every year the same cut and paste information is mentioned in the SVCSD Budget Plans and nothing is done to repair the collection system.

The investigation by the SF Waterboard is incomplete and this information was not included as part of the violation. It is of public record and is easily obtained online.

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LAFCO Nov 2004 (considered current information per Richard Bottarini)
Sonoma County Wast Agency Capital Projects 2017-2018

After reading these reports which blatantly admit to the leaking deteriorating collection system of SVCSD another agreement with stronger hand should be recommended. SVCSD is a repeat offender that will not repair their collection system.

Thank you,
Anna Gomez

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, April 17, 2015 12:57 PM
To: Chee, Michael@Waterboards
Cc: Christian, Vince@Waterboards
Subject: Re: Anna Gomez Objection Letter to Settlement Agreement SVCS

Mr Chee,

Thank you for returning my email. I would like to clarify your email to me. By saying "The Tentative Cease and Desist Order (CDO), which was emailed to you, addresses the repair and rehabilitation of the District's collection system."

The amount that is mentioned over and over in the reports I included in my email to you is \$45 million dollars to repair the collection system of SVCS that consists of 10 miles of leaking, undersized and deteriorated pipes. The violations being covered in the CDO are from overflows from Aug 2010 - Jan 2015. The collection system was diagnosed as in need of repair and replaced in 1994 and it has yet to be repaired. This is in violation of SVCS Discharge Permit. I opposed SVCS being issued their Discharge Permit last year because of the broken collection system that they refuse to repair. At that time, I was told at the meeting in Oakland that the collection system was to be investigated and a solution would come forth. This is not a solution to the problem. The problem of the 10 miles of leaking pipes has not gone away and was not looked into by the investigator that was assigned to investigate the SVCS collection system violations. I have waited almost a full year to see an investigation by the Waterboard into the SVCS collection system that would generate a demand and enforcement of repairs.

Sincerely,

Anna Gomez

In a message dated 4/17/2015 11:44:10 A.M. Pacific Daylight Time, Michael.Chee@waterboards.ca.gov writes:

Ms. Gomez,

Thank you for your interest in our enforcement against the Sonoma Valley County Sanitation District (District). The proposed Settlement Agreement (SA) addresses past violations of the District. However, your comments to the proposed SA concern the District's need to repair and rehabilitate its collection system. The Tentative Cease and Desist Order (CDO), which was emailed to you, addresses the repair and rehabilitation of the District's collection system. The comment deadline for the Tentative CDO is 5 pm on April 20, 2015.

The following is a link for your convenience to our webpage where you may access the Tentative CDO documents: http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/sanfranciscobay/board_decisions/tentative_orders.shtml.

Thank you,

Michael T. Chee, PE

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