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CALIFORNIA STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD,
ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS OFFICE

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RE: GARBERVILLE SANITARY DISTRICT ^(GSD) FOR THE
SOUTHERN HUMBOLDT COMMUNITY PARK (SHCP)

DEAR STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD
ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS OFFICE

WHILE I APPRECIATE YOUR TIME AND ENERGY TRYING TO ADJUDICATE A SERIOUS WATER ISSUE THAT HUMBOLDT COUNTY FAILED TO DO, THERE ARE STILL SERIOUS FLAWS IN YOUR NOV 1, 2021 DRAFT OF YOUR PROPOSED DECISION SUCH AS ENFORCEMENT THAT WILL BE TRANSPARENT TO LOCAL RESIDENTS. GSD ABDICATES ANY RESPONSIBILITY IN THIS AREA AND SO FAR HAS PROVIDED PREFERENTIAL TREATMENT TO THE SHCP. HOW WELL IS YOUR PROPOSED DECISION INSULATED FROM LEGAL CHALLENGES? GSD MAINTAINS THEY CANNOT PLACE LIMITS ON A CONNECTION'S WATER USAGE, THAT IT IS NOT EVEN TO DO SO. SO HOW CAN THE STATE DO SO? IF THIS IS ANOTHER MURKY STEP, WHY MAKE SUCH A CONNECTION IN THE FIRST PLACE TO A HUGE PARCEL (OVER 400 ACRES) OUTSIDE THE DISTRICT THAT DOESN'T HAVE TO ABIDE BY THE GSD ORDINANCES THAT GSD THINKS THEY DON'T HAVE THE AUTHORITY TO ENFORCE?

FROM THE BEGINNING, THE SHCP HAS AVOIDED ACCOUNTABILITY FOR THEIR PROPOSED WATER

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USAGE, POTABLE AND NON-POTABLE, SAYING THAT THEY HAD ENOUGH OF BOTH. THIS IS A FLAWED PLAN THAT GOT A FREE PASS FROM HUMBOLDT (HC) COUNTY PLANNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND LAFCO. THIS IS THE PLAN YOU ARE AFFIRMING.

IT IS PROFOUNDLY PROBLEMATIC WHEN PUBLIC AGENCIES ARE UNABLE TO BE TRANSPARENT AND ACCOUNTABLE THEMSELVES AND DO NOT ASK THIS OF OTHERS,

THE FACT THAT AFTER 20 YEARS THE SHOP LOBBIES HARD FOR DRINKING FOUNTAINS, IN A PANDEMIC WHEN DRINKING FOUNTAINS IN THIS COUNTY AND ELSEWHERE HAVE BEEN SHUT-OFF INDEFINITELY AND LEFT WITH A CLOUDY FUTURE, IS ABSURD AND DOES NOT MENT THIS CONNECTION.

FOR YOU TO PERMIT AN ADDITIONAL 1,000 CF (OR 999 CF) FOR TWO MONTHS OF THE YEAR, WHICH WILL LIKELY BE IN THE SUMMER/FALL WHEN LOCAL DISTRICTS ARE WELL INTO MANDATORY CONSERVATION IS UNHELPFUL.

RCSD HAD SEVERAL MONTHS OF MANDATORY CONSERVATION THIS YEAR WHERE - IN RESIDENTIAL ACCOUNTS WERE LIMITED TO 60 GALLONS PER RESIDENT PER DAY WHICH IS A SERIOUS STEP AND NOT EASY TO DO.

I REAFFIRM MY PREVIOUS COMMENTS OVER THE PAST SEVERAL YEARS AND NOTE THAT ALL CONNECTIONS ARE ACCUMULATIVE. WATER IS PRECIOUS AND FINITE - EVERY DROP ADDS UP.

SINCERELY
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