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December 17, 2015

Honorable Debbie Arnold, Chairperson of the Board of Supervisors
County of San Luis Obispo
1050 Monterey Street
San Luis Obispo, CA 93408

Re: **Basin Boundary Revision Application to DWR - Paso Robles Groundwater Basin**

At our December 17th meeting, the Paso Robles Basin Advisory Committee (PBAC) was informed by County staff that they have received no direction to petition the California Department of Water Resources to modify the Paso Robles Groundwater Basin boundaries. This is of grave concern to the PBAC and immediate action is needed because the deadline of March 31, 2016 is rapidly approaching.

Please refer to our letter of November 23, 2015. For purposes of various County-led studies of the groundwater basin and the application to LAFCO by the County, the basin boundaries as defined by Fugro have been used. The Fugro Report was based on the best scientific data available and continues to represent the locally-used definition of the Paso Robles Groundwater Basin.

The PBAC voted 19-2-0-4, to send the following request to your Board.

“The PBAC requests that the County Flood Control District proceed as expeditiously as possible and within the regulatory timeframe and prior to March 31, 2016 to apply for a boundary modification to DWR as requested in our letter of November 23 (revise the Paso Robles Area of the Salinas Valley Basin (3-04.06) boundaries to match the Fugro map). By not doing so, the County would be negligent.”

We plead that your Board direct staff to begin this process with haste.

Sincerely,

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Chairperson, Paso Basin Advisory Committee

cc: San Luis Obispo County Board of Supervisors, All Districts
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