ATTACHMENT B
February 13, 2012

Supervisor Lou Calcagno
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RE: Oakridge & Via Del Sol Water Project

Dear Supervisor,

We are pleased to hear your recovery is going well, and wish you continued speedy get well wishes.

As you know the community meeting at the Aromas Grange on January 17th was well attended, informative and proved to confirm what we have heard before. The majority of homeowners in the Oakridge and Via Del Sol areas need, want and are willing to pay for the water project to their area. With a majority of over 65% YES votes, 12% NO votes and 23% Unknown, I would recommend proceeding to the next stage.

The County generously has funded $162,500 to advance this project to the current stage. This has allowed the construction engineering and environmental Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration to be adopted. The following steps must occur before this project is taken to the Proposition 218 vote of parcel owners: LAFCo Annexation and Sphere of Influence Adoption, USDA approval for low interest, long term funding, appraisals for required easements and the Regional Water Quality Control Board’s Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan preparation and approval. In order to proceed with these next steps, we request the Board of Supervisors advance an additional $50,000 to cover these costs occurring before the official assessment vote and the loan funding. These funds, as well as the initial $162,500, will be repaid to the County upon passage of the parcel owner’s vote and loan funding.

Thank you for consideration of this request. Attached is a spreadsheet of costs to date and an itemization of what is required to move forward, please let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Vicki Morris
General Manager

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