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18 **STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

19 **WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD**

20 **SANTA CLARA RIVER HEARING REGARDING
21 THE LEGAL CLASSIFICATION OF
22 GROUNDWATER FOR APPLICATIONS
23 30942 (Newhall County Water District) and 31023
24 (Robinson Ranch)**

25 **JULY 29-30, 2003**

26 **Applications No. 30942 and 31023**

27 **JOINT NOTICE OF INTENT TO
28 APPEAR**

29 The undersigned parties claim water rights and water resources management interests
30 in the Santa Clara River Valley and hereby state their intent to appear jointly in the July 29-
31 30, 2003, water right hearing regarding the Santa Clara River Valley East Subbasin.
32 However, the parties maintain the position that no hearing is necessary since, pursuant to
33 Assembly Bill 134 (Stats. 2001, Ch. 929), the State Legislature has already directed that the
34 water at issue should be managed as percolating groundwater and not "subterranean

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streams flowing through known and definite channels" and, therefore, is not subject to the jurisdiction of the State Board. Should the State Board determine to proceed with the subject hearing, the parties intend to appear and fully participate to assert their position that the water is not subject to State Board jurisdiction.

The parties have been cooperating together in numerous endeavors related to the Santa Clara River and the Santa Clara River Valley East Subbasin, including the preparation of a Memorandum of Understanding regarding joint management of Santa Clara River resources and the Groundwater Management Plan required by AB 134. The parties believe their joint presentation will serve the Board's interest in conducting an efficient proceeding.


The parties respectfully request that they each be listed separately through their respective counsel (listed below) for purposes of receiving notices, exhibits, and other correspondence related to the subject hearing from the State Board or other parties.

- I/we intend to present a policy statement only:
- I/we intend to participate by cross/examination only
- I/we agree to accept electronic service of hearing-related materials
- I/we plan to call the following witnesses to testify at the hearing:

Name	Subject Of Proposed Testimony	Estimated Length Of Direct Testimony	Expert Witness (Yes/No)
Dan Masnada, General Manager, Castaic Lake Water Agency	AB 134, Groundwater Jurisdiction, Cooperation with other Santa Clarita Valley water purveyors, MOU with United Water Conservation District	20 minutes	No
William Manetta, President, Santa Clarita Water Company	AB 134, Groundwater Jurisdiction, Cooperation with other Santa Clarita Valley water purveyors, MOU with United Water Conservation District	20 minutes	No
John Garon, Vice President, Santa Clarita Water Company	AB 134, Groundwater Jurisdiction, Cooperation with other Santa Clarita Valley water purveyors, MOU with United Water Conservation District	20 minutes	No

2 3	Dana Wischart, General Manager, United Water Conservation District	MOU between United Water Conservation District and the water purveyors of the Santa Clarita Valley	20 minutes	No
4 5 6 7	Dr. Steven Bachman, Groundwater Resources Manger, United Water Conservation District	Santa Clara River Valley East Subbasin, MOU between United Water Conservation District and the water purveyors of the Santa Clarita Valley	20 minutes	Yes
8 9	Richard Slade, Richard C. Slade & Associates	Santa Clara River Valley East Subbasin, Status of Groundwater	20 minutes	Yes

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