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# MONTEREY COUNTY RESOURCE MANAGEMENT AGENCY

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October 31, 2018

Sarah Hardgrave  
South Monterey Bay IRWM Program 5 Harris Court, Building G  
Monterey, CA 93940

**RE: South Monterey Bay IRWM**

Dear Ms. Hardgrave,

I am writing on behalf of the County of Monterey to express our intent to join the Monterey Peninsula, Carmel Bay, and South Monterey Bay Integrated Regional Water Management Program (South Monterey Bay IRWMP). Below is a brief summary of the County's qualifications for consideration in joining as a voting stakeholder of the South Monterey Bay IRWMP.

The County is the lead agency on the Salinas Valley Groundwater Basin Investigation with the objective to assess the general health of the Salinas Valley Groundwater Basin with regards to its ability to provide a sustainable supply of water for land use activities projected to the year 2030 to meet County General Plan obligation. The County of Monterey actively participates in multiple groups focused on solving the regions water supply and water quality challenges, such as the Greater Monterey Bay IRWMP, the Salinas Valley Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency, the Monterey Regional Storm Water Management Program, and the Monterey Peninsula Regional Water Authority. Furthermore, the County of Monterey holds a seat on the Board of Directors for the following relevant agencies: Monterey Peninsula Water Management District, Monterey One Water, as well as, several County Service Area Sanitation Districts, all agencies dedicated to enhancing how water and waste water is managed in the Monterey Bay region.

At the time of the letter, it is staff's understanding that there are no membership fees or other costs associated with joining the South Monterey Bay IRWMP.

County staff intends to bring an item to our Board of Supervisors, tentatively scheduled for January 9, 2019, to consider joining the South Monterey Bay IRWMP.

Thank you,

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Carl P. Holm, Resource Management Agency Director

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