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**State Water Resources Control Board**  
Division of Drinking Water

City of Arcata  
736 F Street  
Arcata, CA 95521

Attention: David Loya, Community Development Director

Subject: Draft EIR for Creek Side Homes Project, SCH#2016022083

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It is the statutory responsibility of the Division of Drinking Water (Division) to regulate *public water systems*, as defined below. The project proposal states that all utilities (water, sewer, gas, electricity, and telecommunications) are located adjacent to the site and would be extended underground to serve the proposed development. However, if this project results in the formation of a public water system or multiple public water systems, an application must be submitted and a permit(s) must be obtained from the Division before water can be provided for human consumption.

Pursuant to section 7584, Title 17, of the California Code of Regulations, the City of Arcata is responsible for the protection of the public water system from contamination by implementation of a cross-connection control program which includes, but is not limited to, the use of appropriate backflow preventers to address potential health hazards. An evaluation of potential health hazards should be performed to determine whether backflow preventers will be required for the protection of the public water system as a result of the proposed development.

If you have any questions or if we can be of assistance, please contact Scott Gilbreath at (530) 224-4887 or me at (530) 224-4875.

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