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## State Water Resources Control Board

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CITY OF DIXON (CITY), ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT (EIR) FOR THE  
CAMPUS PROJECT (PROJECT); STATE CLEARINGHOUSE #2023080739

Dear Brian Millar:

Thank you for the opportunity to review the EIR for the proposed Project. The State Water Resources Control Board, Division of Drinking Water (State Water Board, DDW) is responsible for issuing water supply permits pursuant to the Safe Drinking Water Act. This Project is within the jurisdiction of the State Water Board, DDW's San Francisco District. DDW San Francisco District issues domestic water supply permit amendments to the public water systems serviced with a new or modified source of domestic water supply or new domestic water system components pursuant to Waterworks Standards (Title 22 California Code of Regulations (CCR), California Waterworks Standards chapter 16 et. seq.). A public water system requires a water supply permit amendment when changes are made to a domestic water supply source, storage, or treatment and for the operation of new water system components- as specified in the Waterworks Standards. The City will need to apply for a water supply permit amendment for this Project.

Title 22 CCR, article 3, section 64560 (a) requires that for any well that will serve a public water system, documentation shall be submitted to the State Water Board that includes: a source assessment, a well site control zone that considers a 50-foot radius, and well designs and specifications. The City should submit this documentation to the State Water Board, DDW San Francisco District Office once the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) process is completed.

The State Water Board, DDW, as a responsible agency under the CEQA, has the following comments on the City's EIR:

- The EIR outlines plans to construct a 1,500 gallon per minute well (PDF page 68). The State Water Board will need to approve an amendment to the City's water supply permit for the addition of a new water source to the City's water system (Title 22 CCR, article 2, section 64556). In the EIR, under section 1.3

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“Known Responsible and Trustee Agencies” and under section 2.6 “Responsible Agencies,” please add “The State Water Resources Control Board, Division of Drinking Water” to the list of responsible agencies (PDF pages 59 and 71).

- The State Water Board has administered the Drinking Water Program (DWP) since July 1, 2014, when the program was transferred from the California Department of Public Health (CDPH). CDPH was originally created from a reorganization of the Department of Health Services (DHS). Under section 3.10 “Hydrology and Water Quality,” heading “State,” please update the DHS information to reflect the State Water Resources Control Board as the current administrator of the DWP (PDF page 328).
- There appears to be a discrepancy. Under section 3.16 “Utilities and Service Systems,” when discussing water supply availability and reliability under “Single Dry Years,” the EIR states “During a single dry year, all of the City’s existing surface water allotments are subject to some level of reduction (PDF page 483).” However, on PDF page 481 under “Surface Water Supply” the EIR states “The City does not currently use or plan to use surface water.” Please clarify whether surface water will be used or not.

When the CEQA review process is completed, please forward the following items with the permit application to the State Water Board, DDW San Francisco District Office at [DWPDIST04@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:DWPDIST04@waterboards.ca.gov):

- Copy of the EIR and Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Plan (MMRP);
- Copy of all comment letters received and the lead agency responses as appropriate;
- Copy of the Resolution or Board Minutes adopting the EIR and MMRP; and
- Copy of the date stamped Notice of Determination filed at the Solano County Clerk’s Office and the Governor’s Office of Planning and Research, State Clearinghouse.

Please contact Lori Schmitz of the State Water Board at (916) 449-5285 or [Lori.Schmitz@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:Lori.Schmitz@waterboards.ca.gov), for questions regarding this comment letter.

Sincerely,

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