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ENV 17-0002 Emergency Recycled Water Storage Pond Project SCH2019089002:  
San Diego County

Dear Mr. Paul:

The Division of Safety of Dams (DSOD) has reviewed the ENV 17-0002 Emergency Recycled Water Storage Pond Project (Project) submittal which describes the construction of a five-sided dam with a capacity of ten million gallons. The stored recycled water would be utilized for agricultural irrigation.

Insufficient information is provided regarding the dam in the Project to make an accurate determination, with regards to the described work, whether the dam will be subject to State jurisdiction for dam safety. Therefore, the City of Escondido needs to submit preliminary plans so that DSOD can make a jurisdictional determination.

As defined in Sections 6002 and 6003, Division 3 of the California Water Code, dams 25 feet or higher with a storage capacity of more than 15 acre-feet, and dams higher than 6 feet with a storage capacity of 50 acre-feet or more are subject to State jurisdiction. The dam height is defined as the vertical distance measured from the maximum possible water storage level to the downstream toe of the barrier.

If the dam is subject to State jurisdiction, a construction application, together with plans, specifications, and the appropriate filing fees must be filed with the Division of Safety of Dams for this project. All dam safety related issues must be resolved prior to approval of an application, and the work must be performed under the direction of a Civil Engineer registered in California. Erik Malvick, our Design Engineering Branch Chief, is responsible for the application process and can be reached at (916) 565-7840.

If you have any questions or need additional information, you may contact Area Engineer Brandon Cruz at (916) 565-7829 or me at (916) 565-7827.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rick G. Draeger".

Rick G. Draeger, Regional Engineer  
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