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John Lampe, Director Water Planning
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Dear Mr. Lampe,

Writing on behalf of the committee, I would once again like to convey our collective appreciation for the hours of work contributed by you and your staff in keeping us informed. The committee is particularly appreciative of the detailed effort required to answer our eight questions contained in our letter to you of February 7, 1997.

Your letter and supporting documentation was distributed to the committee as a whole and at it's March 21th meeting there was a detailed discussion of not only the eight points contained in the 2/7 letter, but also the issues raised in our letter of February 25th. Particularly, the comparative cost of treatment at Fairbairn and various downstream sites.

I have been instructed by the committee to announce that the American River Utilization Committee endorses the preliminary agreement approved by EBMUD, the City of Sacramento and the County of Sacramento. As you are aware, the committee has met monthly for five years and has followed every detail of these deliberations.

We would at this time like to publicly praise EBMUD for finding the consensus that will mutually benefit all parties of interest and one that will allow the water to flow through the environmentally sensitive American River Parkway prior EBMUD's diversion of its specified allotment. We are satisfied that the general public interest is best served by this proposed agreement and wish to go on record in support of your efforts.

FOR THE COMMITTEE:


Charles W. Brydon

Attachment - 1

News Release: "Water Group Endorses American River Plan."