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Mr. David J. Stoldt
General Manager
Monterey Peninsula Water Management District
5 Harris Court, Building G
Monterey, CA 93940

Subject: State of California Model Water Efficient Landscape Ordinance

Dear Mr. Stoldt:

We understand that the City of Monterey had until December 1, 2015 to adopt the State's Model Water Efficient Landscape Ordinance or adopt its own ordinance, which must be at least as effective in conserving water as the State's Ordinance, or conversely had until February 1, 2016 to adopt a regional ordinance. If the City did not take action on a water efficient landscape ordinance by the specified dates, the State's Ordinance would become effective by default.

This letter is to inform you that the City of Monterey wishes that the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District adopt a regional ordinance, undertake the Landscape Documentation Package review, and perform the required annual reporting to the State.

The City will retain authority over, and provide review of, any Grading Design Plan element of a Landscape Documentation Package. The City will also remain responsible for review of any jurisdictional-specific landscape design requirements, as well as compliance with the Monterey Regional Stormwater Management Plan.

The City will inform its planning and building department staff of the District's MWELO ordinance and provide a copy for public review in City offices.

Sincerely yours,

Kimberly Cole, AICP

Chief of Planning, Engineering & Environmental Compliance