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August 21, 2004

Rich Allen, Chair Resource Conservation District 625 Miramontes Street, Suite 103 Half Moon Bay, CA 94109

Dear Rich.

The Board of Supervisors has the responsibility to appoint members to the Resource Conservation District Board. This responsibility has devolved to the Board of Supervisors since the RCD has determined that it cannot afford the cost of holding elections and, therefore, has a standing request that the Board of Supervisors make appointments. Under the law the Board of Supervisors must act on a vacancy within a specific timeframe by holding interviews and/or making an appointment. If the Board of Supervisors fails to act in a timely manner, the appointment responsibility shifts to the RCD Board.

When Chuck Gust resigned from the RCD Board, the Board of Supervisors initiated the process to fill the vacancy. We have met the requirements of the law by holding interviews within the required timeframe. We have not yet made an appointment.

As the Sub-Committee of the Board of Supervisors responsible for interviewing and recommending an appointment to the full Board of Supervisors, we have concluded that it would be in the best interest of the Resource Conservation District to allow the RCD Board to fill this current vacancy. This would allow you to advertise the vacancy, conduct a screening process, and select a new Board member.

This recommendation is for this vacancy only and would not alter our standing relationship on the matter of vacancies. We understand that you will have a vacancy this November when the current term of Barbara Kossy ends. The Board of Supervisors is prepared to conduct an appointment process for that vacancy.

We trust that you will find a candidate who will add value to your present Board. We wish you the best with this process and look forward to working with you to fill future vacancies including the one anticipated for this fall. If you have any questions about this matter, please feel free to contact us.

Sincerely,

Rich Gordon Supervisor, District Three Jerry Hill Supervisor, District Two