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Dear Bruce Buel:

Thank you for promptly posting the report on the internet after the hearing. The copy I downloaded has 10 pages. The first 3 pages are a letter that ends on line 21 with the words (see figure 4). The 10th page is figure 5

As I see no text referring to figure 5, I am requesting any additional pages of the report that might not be posted on the web site and/or refer to that figure 5.

Also I am requesting the data used for the 2000 well level data for figure 3 and figure 4. Including State well number, Common name, Production depth, Reporting agency, Ground surface elevation(ft MSL), Depth to water Surface(ft), Date and Water surface Elevation (ft MSL) for each well and a breakdown of what wells were "used in the analysis" and which wells were "removed from the analysis" (IE a table 2 for 2000).

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Dear Bruce Buel:

I am requesting a current copy of NCSD's report that was presented on 10/11/06 at the board meeting as described in the news article below.

I did not find it posted on the web site. If it is there please let me know the location.

If it is not on the web site I request a paper copy.

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NCSO board reviews water

By Randi Block/Staff Writer

A new draft study of groundwater supplies in the Nipomo Mesa Management Area reveals that each year the community draws more from wells than is being replenished from rainfall - confirming the need for supplemental water.

However, there is no immediate shortage problem, and one can be avoided if a stable source of new water is secured in the near future, said Bruce Buel, general manager of the Nipomo Community Services District (NCSO).

"We have a chronic problem here, but this is not a crisis," Buel said. "We don't need to overreact right now."

The NCSO board reviewed the study Wednesday in an effort to update its allocation policy, which provides guidelines for available water and estimates quantities that residential developments will use on an annual basis.

The study, prepared by Science Applications International Corp., an engineering and environmental firm in Santa Barbara, said that as of April, there were 121,000 acre-feet of water above sea level in the Nipomo Mesa Management Area.

That figure is down from 124,000 acre-feet recorded in April 2000.

However, the decline of 500 acre-feet per year is less than the 800 that was predicated in a study a few years ago, Buel said. This likely can be attributed to two years of heavy rainfall, he added.

While the board lauded the initial study and said it is a step in the right direction, directors Ed Eby and Mike Winn said they'd like to see figures that distinguish between available groundwater and usable groundwater, which would provide a more accurate picture of the community's water situation.

"There's water in this cork, but it would be awfully hard to get it out," Eby said, holding up his drink coaster.

"The key is knowing the dependable yield."

Eby also said he would like to incorporate into the calculations all of the outstanding projects that have already been allocated water, but have yet to cash in on those promises.

Wednesday's discussion follows the district's decision last month to delay a 38-unit subdivision on Blume Street until the allocation policy was updated based on water supply instead of growth in the community.

The NCSO board is expected to review a finalized report on groundwater storage at its next meeting, at 9 a.m. Oct. 25 in the district's building, 148 S. Wilson St.

Also at that time, the directors will review the Blume project again and have an opportunity to decide whether there is groundwater available to continue allocating more to new developments.

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SUBJECT: OCTOBER 12, 2006 PUBLIC RECORDS REQUESTS RE TECHNICAL MEMO

Dear Mr. Snyder,

This letter responds to your two public records requests dated October 12, 2006 regarding the the Technical Memorandum presented to the Board at the October 11, 2006.

Your first letter requested web posting of the Technical Memorandum. As validated in your second letter the District did post a copy of the Technical Memorandum on our website.

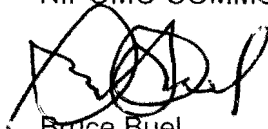
The second paragraph of your second letter alleges that there is no text reference to Figure 5. I disagree. Figure 5 is referenced at line 19 on Page 1 of the Technical Memorandum.

The third paragraph of your second letter requests the 2000 well data used to support Figures 3 and 4. I have asked SAIC to provide this data to NCSD and I will forward it to you under separate cover as soon as it is available.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to call me.

Sincerely,

NIPOMO COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT



Bruce Buel
General Manager

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