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Honorable Chair Gray and Members of the Board of Supervisors

Re: Ordinance Amendments to Allow Enforcement of Chapter 9A, Brush Removal, and Chapter 44, Rights and Duties of Landlords and Tenants through the Administrative Fine Process under Chapter 24A

Dear Board of Supervisors:

Brush removal can have an impact on the drainage areas of the local water supplies and the facilities necessary to deliver this water to local customers. These local water supplies are one of our most precious resources in that society depends on clean and reliable water delivery each and every day. Since the Goleta Water District (District) is responsible for delivering water to a large population in Santa Barbara County, we are very interested in any policies or processes that may have an impact on local water supplies.

Assuming the proposed Ordinance Amendments referenced above will not have any negative impacts to local water supplies or impact the District's ability to maintain and conduct emergency and routine inspections of water delivery routes of pipelines, access roads to critical water facilities, and other water supply related facilities, we are supportive of the proposed Ordinance Amendments from a water supply and delivery management perspective.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit comments and please contact me at (805) 879-4620 should you or your staff have any questions.

Sincerely,

John McInnes
General Manager