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September 27, 2007

The Honorable Robert S. Boyd, Presiding Judge
Superior Court, State of California
800 Administration Drive
Santa Rosa, CA 95403

RE: City of Cloverdale's Responses to 2006-2007 Grand Jury Final Report –

Dear Judge Boyd:

Please allow me to provide you with the City of Cloverdale's responses to the 2006-2007 Grand Jury Final Report concerning "Wastewater: Money Down the Drain?" (Recommendations #1, 5, and 6); "Signs of the Times" (Recommendation #6); and, "Access and Recreation in Open Space District Properties" (Recommendation #6).

The City of Cloverdale ("City") is happy to provide technical information and/or assistance that may be requested of us concerning the Findings and Recommendations in the 2006-2007 Grand Jury Final Report.

With respect to the Recommendations identified above, the City has the following responses:

III. Access and Recreation in Open Space District Properties

R6 City Councils should establish policies and practices to meet with Open Space District to review planning on a comprehensive and long-term basis.



Response: This recommendation has not yet been implemented by the City, but will be implemented in the future. The Open Space District has recently acquired the 236 acre Clover Springs IIIB/IV site as open space in the City's western hillside. The acquisition allows for extension of an existing and substantial open space network and hiking trails within the Clover Springs subdivision. The proposed 2008 General Plan anticipates that the western hills will remain undeveloped and will have a trails system to encourage walking access from the City core to the hills and beyond to Lake Sonoma. The purchase of the Clover Springs IIIB/IV Site is the result of previous City discussions with the Open Space District and Sonoma County to review options for maintaining open space along the western hills.

The City Council Park and Recreation Committee has started the planning process for use of the Clover Springs property. The Committee intends to meet with Open Space District staff to discuss public access, use, maintenance, and operation of the Clover Springs site. In addition, the City intends to further pursue options with the County for open space preservation and use of the Western hillsides in cooperation between the City, County and Open Space District.

Should you require any assistance or have any questions concerning the City's response to the Grand Jury Final Report, please contact me.

Sincerely,



Gus Wolter
Mayor
The City of Cloverdale

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