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May 15, 2023

Eileen White
Executive Officer
San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board

Re: Acceptance of Plant-Specific Findings for the Regional Evaluation of Potential Nutrient Discharge Reduction by Natural Systems

Dear Ms. White,

On behalf of the City of Palo Alto's Regional Water Quality Control Plant, I have reviewed the Regional Evaluation of Potential Nutrient Discharge Reduction by Natural Systems (Evaluation). The Evaluation was prepared by the San Francisco Estuary Institute (SFEI) consulting team (Consultants) under a contract with the Bay Area Clean Water Agencies (BACWA) in compliance with the 2019 Nutrient Watershed Permit (Order No. R2-2019-0017, NPDES No. CA0038873) on behalf of the Dischargers. A representative group of BACWA members (i.e., Contract Management Group) also directed the Consultants in preparing the individual plant reports and the overall summary for the Evaluation.

The City of Palo Alto was contacted by the Consultants in 2021, and our facility was not recommended for inclusion in Phase 2 site-specific evaluations. My agency agrees with this recommendation for the purposes of the Evaluation, and in accordance with the Watershed Permit requirement for report certification, I certify, under penalty of law, that the information submitted is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true, accurate, and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine and imprisonment for knowing violations.

Sincerely,

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James Allen
Regional Water Quality Control Plant Manager
City of Palo Alto