

CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD—
LOS ANGELES REGION

31 CENTRE PLAZA DRIVE
MONTEREY PARK, CA 91754-2156
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**COMMENTS ON DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT, VALLEY SAGE
DEVELOPMENT: 387 LOTS ON 908 ACRES - AGUA DULCE, VESTING TENTATIVE
TRACT NO. 50385, SCH. NO. 91031100**

We have reviewed the subject document regarding the proposed project, and have the following comments:

- The Regional Board has identified this as an area of potentially impaired groundwater. Therefore, a hydrogeologic study may be required which addresses cumulative as well as local effects on groundwater. 1
- We disagree with the statement (Table 1-1) that no significant impacts and no degradation in the quality of the groundwater will occur with the use of septic systems serving the project site. Septic systems can and do contribute to groundwater degradation. This entire twelve phase development will likely have significant local and cumulative negative impact to water quality in the Agua Dulce groundwater basin. 2
- The installation and operation of septic tanks for the proposed subsequent phases will be subject to Waste Discharge Requirements issued by the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board. A Report of Waste Discharge should be submitted to this office as least 120 days prior to the initiation of discharge from future phases of this project. Please contact Walter Krostek, Groundwater Regulatory Unit at (213) 266-7587 for an application. 3

Thank you for this opportunity to review this document. If you have any questions, please call Gerhardt Hubner at (213) 266-7564.

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