## NEWHALL & LAND

March 27, 2013

#### [Via electronic mail and USPO]

Mr. Samuel Unger, Executive Officer
California Regional Water Quality Control Board,
Los Angeles Region
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# RE: SUBMITTAL OF <u>Workplan for Geomorphological Monitoring and Management</u> Plan for Newhall Ranch: Santa Clara River Watershed

NEWHALL LAND AND FARMING COMPANY RESOURCE MANAGEMENT AND DEVELOPMENT PLAN WDR Order No. R4-2012-0139 (File No. 11-168)

#### Dear Executive Officer Unger:

Transmitted herewith is the first draft of the <u>Workplan for Geomorphological Monitoring</u> and <u>Management Plan for Newhall Ranch: Santa Clara River Watershed</u> ("Workplan") (Cardno-Entrix, March 27, 2013) for Newhall Ranch as required by the Newhall Land & Farming Company Clean Water Act Section 401 Water Quality Certification and Waste Discharge Requirements (WDR) No. R4-2012-0139.

The Workplan was prepared under the guidance of Dr. Daniel Tormey, an experienced geomorphologist with expertise in flashy and sandy rivers, including the Santa Clara River. The RMDP/SCP Project Area, which is the subject of the WDR, occurs both north and south of the Santa Clara River. The Workplan includes areas upstream, within, and downstream of the Project Area (Study Area), and includes the following elements:

- Establishment of Baseline Conditions of the Santa Clara River in the Study Area
- > Description of Annual Geomorphic Monitoring
- Framework for Additional Action (if warranted)

We look forward to working with the Regional Board staff in the review and implementation of the Workplan. Should you have any questions regarding this transmittal please do not hesitate to contact Matt Carpenter at (661) 255-4259 or Sam Rojas at (661) 255-4283.

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Sincerely,

Samuel Rojas

Manager, Environmental Resources

Newhall Land & Farming

Attachment: Water Quality Monitoring Plan for Newhall Ranch Specific Plan

<u>Conditions of Approval and Clean Water Act Section 401 Water Quality</u> <u>Certification and Waste Discharge Requirements</u> (Geosyntec, March 27, 2013)

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Executed on the 27<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2013 at 25124 Springfield Court, Suite 300,

Valencia, California 91355

(Signature)

Vice-President, Operations

(Title)

#### [Via electronic mail]

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