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Public Comment, Interested Party
RWQCB Los Osos Prohibition Zone CDO hearings
November 2 & 9, 2006

I would urge this board to hold these CDO proceedings in abeyance for now and instead instruct staff to send out certified letters to every homeowner within the Prohibition Zone asking them to Pump, Inspect, Repair and send proof of same to your staff, the CSD office and County. Anyone *not* complying with these interim requirements can then be sent a CDO.

This phased-in approach accomplishes three important things: First, it gives clear guidance and direction to the community for something they can do *immediately.* Second, the more systems that are repaired *now*, the quicker the groundwater will improve *now*, instead of waiting years as thousands of CDOs are processed and heard and appealed and litigated and so forth. And, third, the number of people who may need a CDO to make them comply will be reduced to a small number, thereby reducing the prosecution workload and expense on you and your staff.

If you want to have a real-time impact on water quality, there's no need to go to Def-Con Three when Def-Con One gets the job done.

Sincerely,

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