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THIRD ANNUAL PROGRESS REPORT ON THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, FOREST SERVICE, AND CENTRAL VALLEY REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD, TO ELIMINATE THE DISCHARGE OF GRAY WATER TO SHASTA LAKE

On 6 September 2001, the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region (Regional Water Board) adopted Resolution No. 05-01-211, which authorized the Regional Water Board Executive Officer to enter into a memorandum of understanding (MOU) with the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Forest Service (Forest Service) to eliminate gray water discharges from houseboats on Shasta Lake by 6 September 2006. Regional Water Board and Forest Service staffs prepare a report each year, outlining the activities carried out to accomplish the goals listed in the MOU.

In calendar year 2006, Regional Water Board staff conducted a survey to determine the number of houseboats that comply with the Resolution and MOU. On 24 October 2006, Regional Water Board staff requested that each marina submit a report identifying each commercial houseboat retrofitted to capture gray water discharges. Currently, 256 of 450 commercial houseboats have been retrofitted to capture gray water. Commercial houseboats that do not comply with the MOU are not available for service. By Spring 2006, 458 of the 640 permitted private houseboats were reported to be able to capture gray water. An updated survey of private houseboats will be conducted in May 2007.

Additionally, on 26 May 2006, Forest Service staff notified all applicable marinas that the Environmental Assessment for eight gray water leach systems was complete and a Decision Notice and Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) was signed by the Forest Supervisor. Two marinas have submitted complete Reports of Waste Discharge for each facility, which include final designs for treating additional wastewater generated by the capture of gray water. Waste Discharge Requirements are currently being revised to reflect the changes in operation that will occur at these facilities.



Regional Water Board and Forest Service staff will continue to meet regularly and assist houseboat owners with the requirements for gray water capture on Shasta Lake.

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Report of MOU with USDAFS

