

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the draft Water Quality Control Policy for Onsite Wastewater Treatment Systems (OWTS). The City of Santa Clarita (City) supports the State Water Resources Control Board's (Board) goal of improving water quality by establishing design and performance requirements for OTWS.

The City offers the following comments:

Table 1, Page 20: The City recommends that depth to groundwater be obtained from a graphed relationship (sliding scale; not a tiered system) of percolation rate and depth to groundwater, as the depth to groundwater requirement is significantly different for a percolation rate between 1 and 5 MPI versus a percolation rate between 5 and 29 MPI (i.e. twenty feet versus eight feet).

Table 1, Page 20: The percolation rates (PR) listed in this table should be revised as follows to account for percolation rates that are exactly 1, 5, and 90, and between 29 and 30.

less than or equal to 1 ( $PR \leq 1$ )

greater than 1 and less than or equal to 5 ( $1 < PR \leq 5$ )

greater than 5 and less than or equal to 30 ( $5 < PR \leq 30$ )

greater than 30 and less than or equal to 90 ( $30 < PR \leq 90$ )

greater than 90 ( $PR > 90$ )

Thank you for your time and consideration of our comments. If you need additional information, please contact me at (661) 255-4984 or [kbreyer@santa-clarita.com](mailto:kbreyer@santa-clarita.com) <<mailto:kbreyer@santa%1Eclarita.com>>.