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May 14, 2012

Agriculture-at-Large Subcommittee
Water Resources Advisory Committee
San Luis Obispo County Public Works Department
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Re: Flood Control & Water Conservation District –
Water Resources Advisory Committee (WRAC)
Representing: Agricultural At-Large Alternate Member

Recommendation: Patrick J. Williams
1631 Chilton Street
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Committee Members:

As a south county grower, my recommendation to the Board of Supervisors for the above position is Patrick J. Williams. Patrick is a Row Crop Farm Production Manager, Pest Control Advisor and Research & Development Specialist and an Active California Association Member of Pest Control Advisors. He has been a member of the Farm Bureau, Central Coast Vineyard Team, and California Avocado Society and has been involved with the Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Coast Region.

Patrick is conscientious and tenacious in his concern for our counties future and understands the need for all the communities on the Central Coast to recognize the importance of the impact of water on our future and our ability to eat healthy and preserve quality of life.

He is well in command of the skills needed to study critical issues, hear public testimony, and do independent research, review staff reports and recommendations, all of which is necessary for a committee member to be prepared to discuss, formulate and forward well-developed, thoughtful recommendations to the County Board of Supervisors.

“The purpose of this committee is to advise the County Board of Supervisors concerning all policy decisions relating to the water resources of the SLO County Flood control & Water Conservation District. To recommend to the Board specific water resource programs. To recommend methods of financing water resource programs.” Patrick Williams is the person I recommend to represent agriculture as Agricultural At-Large Alternate Member on this Advisory Committee.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,



Tom Ikeda

SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY CATTLEMEN'S ASSOCIATION

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May 30, 2012

To Whom It May Concern:

The San Luis Obispo County Cattlemen's Association would like to nominate Miss Jane Cochrane to serve on the Flood Control and Water Conservation District-Water Resources Advisory Committee (WRAC). Jane's family has lived in San Luis Obispo County for over 100 years.

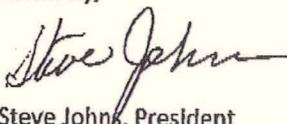
Jane grew up in the Salinas Valley with two sisters, in a family that farmed in the San Joaquin Valley and ranched on the Carlissa Plains. She graduated from Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo with a degree in Animal Science and a minor in Agriculture Business. During her college education she held many internships, ranging from the California Mid-State Fair to Harris Feeding Company. During an internship at Harris Ranch Beef Company, Jane got her first exposure to food safety. Her agricultural background combined with her strong understanding of science made it a perfect fit. Following her graduation, she worked at a produce company in Southern California. She led their food safety team and helped them escalate from the retail to the foodservice arena. Jane later on went to work for the Institute of Environmental Health, Inc.

IEH, Inc. is the largest Food Safety Laboratory in North America and has handled every major recall/outbreak since 1993. At IEH, Jane oversees the Produce Division and Labs on the West Coast. She prides herself in being able to offer the farmer an understanding of the scientific aspect of their operation. She is continually serving as the interface between farmers and regulatory agencies. Additionally, she still helps out at the local winery she worked at in college and remains active in her family's cattle operation. She has a strong grasp on the water issues farmers and ranchers face in the San Luis Obispo Country as well as the facts, figures and trends behind those.

Jane is a highly qualified individual with lots of energy and is eager to serve on this Board. It is without hesitation that we strongly recommend Jane's appointment.

Thank you for favorable consideration of Jane Cochrane to the WRAC Board.

Sincerely,



Steve Johns, President

San Luis Obispo County Cattlemen's Association