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August 20, 2019

Honorable John B. Ellis, Presiding Judge
Solano County Superior Court, Department 23
Hall of Justice
600 Union Avenue, Room 306
Fairfield, CA 94533

Re: City of Vacaville Response to 2018-2019 Grand Jury Report, "Wastewater Treatment Plants"

Dear Judge Ellis:

The following is the City of Vacaville's response to the Grand Jury Report regarding Wastewater Treatment Plants.

Finding 1: *In many cases, wastewater effluent is not used to supply industrial needs or to irrigate crops and public lands.*

Response to Finding 1: The City of Vacaville agrees with the finding.

Recommendation 1: *Wastewater treatment facilities decision-makers consider, on an ongoing basis, if additional treated water can be used to replace current water supplies.*

Response to Recommendation 1: The City of Vacaville is preparing a Recycled Water Master Plan to identify projects for recycled water use. The Plan is expected to be completed in early 2020.

Finding 3: Not all wastewater treatment plants utilize renewable sources of electrical power.

Response to Finding 3: The City of Vacaville agrees with the finding.

Recommendation 3: Consider solar and wind power as alternative energy sources.

Response to Recommendation 3: The City of Vacaville's 2019/2020 Capital Improvement Budget includes a 1-MW solar project at the Easterly Wastewater Treatment Plant.

Please let me know if you have any further questions.

Sincerely,

Jeremy T. Craig
City Manager