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Harold J. Singer
Executive Officer
Lahontan Regional Water Quality Board
2501 Lake Tahoe Blvd.
South Lake Tahoe, CA 96150

Re: Eagle Lake Wastewater Facility, Eagle Lake Basin, Lassen County

Dear Mr. Singer:

In light of the November 17, 2010 Proposed Cease and Desist Order for the United States Forest Service, Lassen National Forest, Eagle Lake Wastewater Facility, Eagle Lake Basin, Lassen County, (WDID No. 6A188505700) and on behalf of the Lassen County Board of Supervisors, I would like to restate the Board's position by requesting the Lahontan Regional Water Quality Control Board allow the Eagle Lake Campground and Marina facilities, including the sewer and water systems, to remain open while the Eagle Lake District Forest Service resolves its pond leakage issues. The drinking water system has and will continue to be tested. As long as the water system does not show contamination, we urge you to allow continued operation. This Board feels that a closure of the system for repair would do irreparable damages to the community. The Eagle Lake community is already suffering economic hardships, and this would only compound its problems. Closure would cause more job losses and slow down economic activity to the point of closure of the remaining struggling businesses.

The following community programs depend upon the marina for their survival: the Lassen Community College Foundation and the Ronald McDonald Camp. The Foundation gives approximately one hundred scholarships a year to deserving community college students. It derives its revenue from public use of the marina. The Ronald McDonald Camp provides outdoor experiences for disabled children. Both of these programs and the Eagle Lake Ranger District Forest Service receive strong support from the community and this Board of Supervisors.

Sincerely,

JIM CHAPMAN, Chairman
Lassen County Board of Supervisors