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Dear Mr. Turnbull,

RE: Application for CUP - McIntosh CUP (C-06-011, C-06-012 & C-06-013)

Thank you for your letter of June 12, 2006. I appreciate the opportunity to comment on the conditional use permit listed above and look forward to your reply regarding the following concerns:

1. My main concern is water both above and below the surface, as my property lies directly down grade of the subject property and directly down stream from said property, serviced by the Dry Creek. Items to be address are:
 - a. The year-round spring located on my property that supplies fresh water to my livestock. This spring has been operational for over 75 years and has never gone dry. I will insist that it remain in it's current operating condition.
2. My property currently includes 2 wells that supply fresh water to my family. Both wells are relatively shallow. Excavation of the proposed type will most certainly have an effect on the water table and therefore, the operation of these wells.
3. Irrigation. My property is supplied with irrigation water from two ditches that pass thru the McIntosh property. I suspect that the proposed project will have an affect on one, if not both of these water sources.
4. The main water source contained on the McIntosh property is the Dry Creek. As I have occupied my property for over 65 years, I have personally witnessed severe spring flooding of the Dry Creek, directly in the path of the proposed "ponds". Undoubtedly excavation of this type, combined with the described flooding, will change the direction of the Dry Creek.

Lastly, let me say that a project of this type is definitely not necessary for the farming of cattle or any other livestock. Stock tanks and natural sources of water are more than adequate supplies for cattle. This fact combined with the excessive noise generated by an intended use for property zoned "Agricultural - 20".

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely, 

Laurence Fletcher