

Van Bussum, Monica

From: Olenichak, Tony
Sent: Wednesday, March 07, 2012 5:00 PM
To: Van Bussum, Monica
Cc: Swank, Lyle
Subject: RE: Sutton Bank rental - mitigation proposal

Monica,

Yes, I had a chance to talk to Lyle soon after I last talked to you about the Lee Sutton mitigation proposal whereby Mr. Sutton wanted to use his Palisades Water User storage to mitigate for his 80 AF of depletion in the Heise to Shelley reach caused by his well. I received your letter in the mail about a week later, and decided to hold onto it until our annual water district meeting (that took place yesterday) was over before passing it onto Lyle when he would have more time to address the issue.

When I talked to Lyle about the request last week, his initial reaction was that he would prefer to put the issue on hold for the time being. There is currently an effort being made to create recharge mitigation credits for water recharged in the basin. That decision is before the Director at this time, and it would not be wise to predetermine a mitigation credit before he has a chance to fully evaluate it. If the mitigation for credit is feasible, and the program for recharging has been established, Mr. Sutton's Palisades storage could be diverted into the recharge site to offset his depletion. Making a decision to require him to use his storage for recharge at this time would be premature until the time has come when the recharge projects are up and running and a methodology for receiving credits has been established.

Since Lyle has been briefed on the proposal, I would recommend that you contact him directly if you require any further information or comments in the future.

Tony

From: Van Bussum, Monica
Sent: Wednesday, March 07, 2012 3:02 PM
To: Olenichak, Tony
Subject: FW: Sutton Bank rental - mitigation proposal

Hi Tony,

I thought I'd check and see if you or Lyle had time to discuss this proposal from Lee Sutton. Thanks!

Monica

From: Van Bussum, Monica
Sent: Friday, February 24, 2012 10:05 AM
To: Olenichak, Tony
Subject: Sutton Bank rental - mitigation proposal

Hi Tony,

Thanks for taking a few minutes to talk with me this morning. Here's the letter to Lyle we discussed. I'll also be sending it by regular mail but hoped this would help get things moving earlier. Please let me know if you have questions. Thanks again!

Monica

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