



MARIN MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT

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The Honorable Judge Kelly V. Simmons
Marin County Superior Court
P.O. Box 4988
San Rafael, CA 94913-4988

RE: Response to Marin County Civil Grand Jury Report, "Overcoming Barriers to Housing Affordability"

Dear Honorable Judge Simmons:

The referenced report directs Marin Municipal Water District (District) to respond to Recommendation R5, which states:

R5. Each utility district should adopt waivers for hook-up fees for low-income housing projects and accessory dwelling units.

The District will respond to this recommendation in two parts: 1) with respect to low-income housing projects, and 2) with respect to accessory dwelling units.

Low-Income Housing

In accordance with District Board Policy No. 12 – Low Income/Affordable Housing, which has been in place since 1993, the District provides a 50% reduction on the connection fee for low-income housing projects. The District will continue implementing this existing program, and therefore does not intend to fully implement the recommendation to adopt a complete waiver for hook-up fees for low-income housing.

Accessory Dwelling Units

The District already implements the recommendation to adopt complete waivers for hook-up fees for accessory dwelling units.

The District has no comment or requested changes to the Findings included in the report. The District greatly appreciates the efforts of the Marin County Grand Jury and the opportunity to respond to Recommendation R5.

Sincerely,

Larry Russell,
President, Board of Directors