From: Greenberg, Ken
To: Karlson, Kristine
Subject: FW: Draft Information Document for today"s 2:30pm discussion with Jared regarding Anderson Chicken Farm
Date: Friday, March 7, 2014 4:13:44 PM
Attachments: Armstrong Chicken Ranch.docx

Kristine – here's a draft paper about the Armstrong Farm written by Pam Overman in Region 9 Tribal Office. She pulled together all of the information gathered by the many folks in Region 9 who have looked into this issue since the RA's visit to San Pasqual Tribe last month. I only had a chance to skim Pam's paper, but I imagine she got our part of the story right.

I talked with the Regional Board inspector, Michelle Mata (619-521-3369), who tells me she'll shoot for inspecting the farm during the week of March 17.

From: Overman, Pamela
Sent: Friday, March 07, 2014 2:23 PM
To: Ebbert, Laura; Greenberg, Ken; Salazar, Matt; Kistner, G.; Campbell, Rich; russell, sara; Zimpfer, Amy; Gullatt, Kristin; Schultz, Frances; Li, Corine
Subject: Draft Information Document for today's 2:30pm discussion with Jared regarding Anderson Chicken Farm

Hi All,

Here is the paper I drafted from everyone's input.

Let me know if you have any revisions.

Pam

From: Ebbert, Laura
Sent: Friday, March 07, 2014 11:15 AM
To: Greenberg, Ken; Salazar, Matt; Overman, Pamela; Kistner, G.; Campbell, Rich; russell, sara; Zimpfer, Amy; Gullatt, Kristin; Schultz, Frances; Li, Corine
Subject: Agenda for today's 2:30pm discussion with Jared regarding Anderson Chicken Farm

Folks, we have more information to cover than we knew of previously, here's a revised draft flow for today's discussion with Jared at 2:30. We have around 5 minutes for each topic, if we are going to get to everyone in the 30 minutes we have with Jared.

Brief Overview: Fran Schultz (for Jeff Scott) <5 minutes

Areas Explored:

Air Angle Matt Salazar 5 minutes

Water Permitting Ken Greenberg 5 minutes

Wellhead Concerns Corine Li 5 minutes

Brownfields Assessment Glenn Kistner <5 minutes

Wrapup:

Other Angles still in development (dust, 106)

Next Actions, other input from ORA <10 minutes

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-----Original Appointment-----
From: Gaudario, Abigail
Sent: Wednesday, February 26, 2014 3:36 PM
To: Gaudario, Abigail; Blumenfeld, Jared; Ryerson.Teddy; Scott, Jeff; Ebbert, Laura; Greenberg, Ken; Salazar, Matt; Overman, Pamela; Martynowicz, Trina; Kistner, G.; Campbell, Rich; russell, sara; Tenley, Clancy; Zimpfer, Amy; Gullatt, Kristin
Subject: Follow-up on Anderson's Chicken Farm
When: Friday, March 07, 2014 2:30 PM-3:00 PM (UTC-08:00) Pacific Time (US & Canada).
Where:

San Pasqual Band of Mission Indians
Armstrong Chicken Ranch

Issue: Jared Blumenfeld met with the San Pasqual Chairman during a site visit to the San Pasqual reservation. An issue was raised concerning the adjacent Armstrong Chicken Ranch and its potential Air Quality and Water Quality impacts. The Ranch also operated a commercial composting facility according to their website. The Ranch is on private land adjacent to the San Pasqual Reservation.

Air

(b)(5) DELIBERATIVE [redacted]

Water

(b)(5) DELIBERATIVE [redacted]

Potential Next Steps:

(b)(5) DELIBERATIVE [redacted]

Enforcement

(b)(5) DELIBERATIVE [redacted]

- Our records indicate the Facility has over 300,000 hens; based on available information it appears Armstrong Chicken Ranch is a CAFO under 40 CFR 122.23 criteria.
- In October 2008, the San Diego Water Board received an Environmental Complaint and Petition for Enforcement from the Humane Society of the United States (attached). The complaint alleged that the Facility was illegally discharging wastewater into storm drains and onto the neighbors land and requested the San Diego Water Board initiate an investigation.
- (b)(5) DELIBERATIVE [redacted]
- In November 2008, the San Diego Water Board issued a Notice of Violation to the Facility for the failure to comply with the San Diego Water Board Basin Plan Prohibitions and Conditional Waiver Requirements.
- In December 2008, the San Diego Water Board conducted a follow-up inspection of the Facility (attached). The inspection report states that the facility had implemented temporary BMPs and management measures to prevent discharges from flowing onto adjacent properties or to the storm water conveyance system. The report also notes that the San Diego Water Board was considering issuing individual WDRs to the Facility.
- In March 2009, the San Diego Water Board sent a letter to the Facility requesting the submittal of a Report of Waste Discharge (ROWD). I was not able to locate a ROWD in our records. The March 2009 letter did not indicate a deadline for submittal.
- In March 2010, the County of San Diego Agriculture, Weights, and Measures staff conducted an inspection of the Facility and indicated (in an email to the San Diego Water Board) that the owner of the Facility was waiting for grant funding to proceed with engineering designs and construction of additional facilities. This is the last correspondence in our files.

Next steps:

The San Diego Water Board plans to conduct an inspection of the Facility in March. EPA is invited on this inspection. The Board will also be following up on the status of the ROWD.

Superfund

(b)(5) DELIBERATIVE [redacted]

CED/Waste

We will contact CalRecycle to look into potential State permitting of the composting portion of the Ranch.

Attached Maps:

Location of Tribal Wells in reference to the Chicken Ranch:

Wells (3 and 4) to the east are deep drinking water wells that are on the Tribe's public water system for District A. These wells meet MCLs.

The wells to the west of the wells are in District B and are used for Agriculture purposes. These wells are shallow wells high in Nitrates. They are currently not connected to the water system, however the Tribe is researching the potential for project funding to make it feasible for those wells to be put online.

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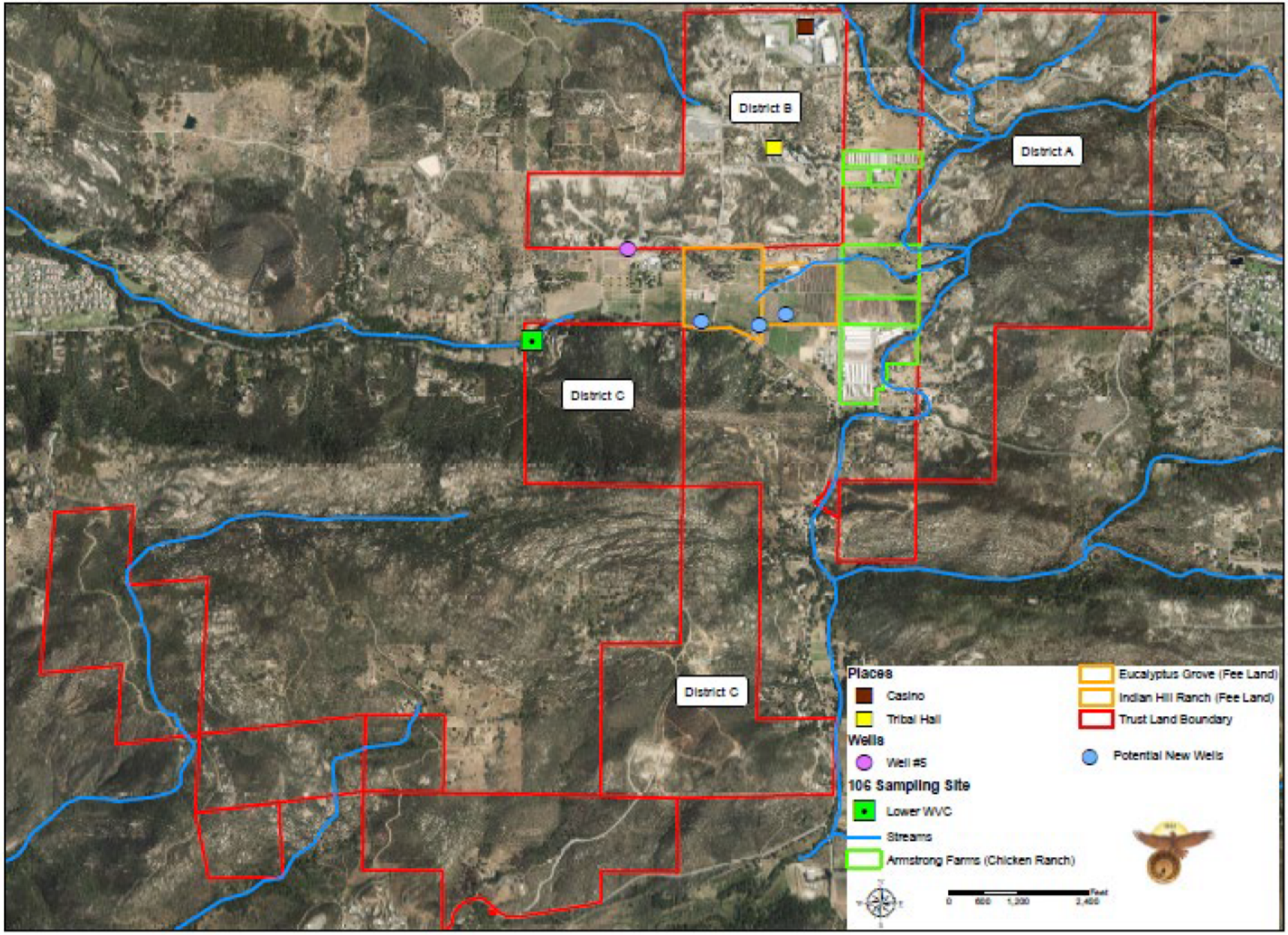
Wells East of the Chicken Ranch