November 1, 2000

Tom Cavanaugh U.S. Army Corps of Engineers 1325 J Street, 14th Floor Sacramento, CA 95814-2922

Dear Tom:

On behalf of Catlin Properties, Foothill Associates is submitting the enclosed wetland delineation for the Bear River Mill project site, located south of Grass Valley in Nevada County. The project site encompasses approximately 175 acres.

Project Applicant:

Steve Dolim

Catlin Properties

3620 Fair Oaks Blvd., Suite 150

Sacramento, CA 95864

Enclosed please find:

- 1) Wetland Delineation Map;
- 2) Wetland Data Sheets;
- 3) Site and Vicinity Map;
- 4) Soils Map:
- 5) Kennedy-Jenks Map of Former Site Operations;
- 6) Map of Existing structures, culverts, and other infrastructure prepared by Catlin Properties.

The project area has an industrial past, with the Valley Veneer plywood plant and the Bear River Sawmill occupying much of the northern half of the site. Significant deposits of sawdust were stockpiled on the site during lumber and plywood operations, and while much of the sawdust was subsequently removed, portions of the site still contain significant sawdust deposits. Other portions of the site were used for log storage and for preservative treatment of lumber products. Portions of the site also received spoils from the Galena Mine. The enclosed Kennedy-Jenks map illustrates the location of some of these operations. The extent of past disturbance is also reflected in the SCS map for the site in areas of Cut and Fill (Ct) soils (see enclosed map).

Although the lumber and plywood operations ceased several years ago, and partial reclamation of the site has occurred, the site remains highly disturbed, with building foundations, ditches and conduits, residual sawdust deposits, and paved areas. Project site topography has been significantly altered by past uses. Similarly, the site's drainage patterns have been altered, with a

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series of ditches, excavations, culverts, and ponds largely replacing natural drainageways. Catlin Properties has inventoried some of these features, and a copy of their map is enclosed.

Please contact me, should you require any additional information. We are available at your convenience to conduct a field verification of the delineation map.

Sincerely,

Kenneth D. Whitney

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cc: Steve Dolim, Catlin Properties



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