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Hello Project Team,

Thank you from the Portola team for providing additional clarification to the items below yesterday.

The City of Portola Infrastructure Committee has met to discuss the project. The Committee is requesting the following actions be taken by GLCSD prior to the matter being agendized for a Regular Meeting of the Portola City Council:

1. GLCSD to prepare an informational document to be distributed to all current customers providing data about the project including the reasons for the request for a feasibility study and options potentially being considered in the feasibility study
  - a. Document to be provided to City of Portola staff
2. GLCSD to hold an appropriately noticed and posted Public Hearing on the project
3. GLCSD to receive public comment at public hearing on the project
4. GLCSD to notify the City of Portola the date of the Public Hearing so that staff can attend as appropriate

The Infrastructure Committee indicated the above request is required to increase transparency for the public on the project overall and to obtain feedback from the customer's of GLCSD on the options potentially being considered in the feasibility study.

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Hello City of Portola's Infrastructure Committee and all,

As we're all aware, GLCSD is currently under a Compliance Order for uranium exceedances. The Order requires the District to pursue development of an intertie with the City capable of providing an adequate water supply. The Technical Assistance request was intended to support both GLCSD and the City in evaluating that intertie concept, including development of a potential water supply agreement and a process for reimbursing the City for staff time and design review.

Discussions to date have focused on identifying a path that would allow the City to participate in this effort on a voluntary basis. Establishing the City's willingness to engage in the project will allow the project team to begin evaluating the intertie concept and addressing the technical, operational, and financial questions raised by both parties.

The Infrastructure Committee's request for GLCSD to conduct a public information effort and hearing prior to the City considering participation is understood as an effort to increase transparency. Public engagement will be important as potential solutions are evaluated. However, initiating the Technical Assistance work and establishing the City's willingness to participate is the first step that will allow the parties to develop the information necessary for those discussions to be meaningful and informed. Public outreach and engagement can and will happen later as part of the project.

With this in mind, the State Water Board respectfully requests that the City consider placing the Technical Assistance participation agreement on an upcoming City Council agenda within the next two Council meetings (3/25 or early April) so the City can determine whether it is willing to engage in the feasibility process alongside GLCSD. Timely progress on this effort is important in order for GLCSD to meet the requirements of the Compliance Order.

Sincerely,  
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Hi all,

I agree with Tara's request to reconsider. I think it is worth reiterating that the agreement proposed at this stage is limited to being an agreement between the City and GHD, which would allow the City to be reimbursed costs for staff time spent on the project both going forward and for staff time already spent. Without that agreement though there is no mechanism for the City to be reimbursed for the time already spent. This would not be an agreement with or commitment to Grizzly Lake to serve treated water; the agreement is only for GHD to be able to pay for City staff time and resources.

While a public hearing for the CSD will need to occur and which the City should be included as appropriate, it would be difficult to have a meaningful hearing at this time without the CSD having any information on what the potential costs may be. People in Delleker would want to know and presumably ask how their water bills might go up, but the CSD would not be able to provide that answer without some basic information from the City. Some of that information will be that the purchased water is planned only for the approximate summer months when the CSD uses Well 2 and the City uses water from Lake Davis. I know GHD will include an analysis for a year round supply in the case it's needed, but that would be in case the CSD's Well 1 goes offline. Again, we ask that the City reconsider the reimbursement agreement at this time so that this phase of the study can continue to move forward.

Regards,  
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