



# Montara Water & Sanitary District

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And Certified Mail, Return Receipt Requested

Sean McPhetridge, Ed.D. Superintendent  
J Jesus Contreras, Deputy Superintendent of Business Services  
Cabrillo Unified School District  
498 Kelly Avenue, Half Moon Bay, CA 94019

**Re:** Notice of Violation of Cross-Connection Control Program and Termination of Water Service  
Farrallone View Elementary School Modernization Project, 250 LeConte and Kanoff, Montara,  
CA

Dear Messrs. McPhetridge and Contreras,

This letter serves as notification that the above referenced School District property is currently in violation of the Montara Water and Sanitary District's Cross Connection Control Program (Article 6 of Chapter 5 of the Montara Water and Sanitary District Code ("Code"), established pursuant to Division 104, Part 12, Chapter 5, Article 2 (commencing with Section 116800) of the California Health and Safety Code and Title 17, Division I, Chapter 5, Subchapter 1, Group 4 (commencing with Section 7583) of the California Code of Regulations, to protect the District's public potable water supply from actual or potential contamination or pollution from other water sources which could backflow into the District's community water system.

During a brief site visit to school grounds with Principal Amy Mcvicker on October 25, 2023, the District Manager observed potential cross contamination conditions existing in connection with the school's modernization project and the immediate threat to public health and safety. He followed up with Ms. Mcvicker via email expressing his concerns and requesting an inspection of the premises. The next day, on October 26, the District's Manager and System Superintendent conducted an initial hazard assessment inspection where it was discovered that unprotected cross-connections are likely and that back flow prevention devices are required due to the degree of potential health hazard to the District's

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water system. The District Manager immediately contacted School Superintendent Sean McPhetridge by letter of October 26, notifying him of the cross contamination concerns and the high degree of potential health hazard to the District's water system created as result of such conditions. In accordance with the District's Code and to eliminate actual or potential cross connection and threat to public health, the Manager requested that back flow prevention devices be installed no later than October 29, as none are present, or the District will be required to discontinue water service to the premises in order to abate the public health hazard. The District Manger further reiterated his request on November 1 during a meeting between the District and school representatives, explaining the clear and immediate hazard to the District's potable water supply that cannot be immediately abated. To date, the school has not complied with the District's directive.

Therefore, in accordance with the District's Code and State Regulations, water service to the school site will be discontinued as of 11/1/2023 at 6:00pm, until such time as the School District takes corrective action to install proper and approved back flow prevention devices and the District determines that the threat to public health no longer exists.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Clemens Heldmaier', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Clemens Heldmaier  
General Manager MWSD

Cc: State Water Resources Control Board  
San Mateo County Health Department