#### EXHIBIT 3-A



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Mr. Darby Fuerst, General Manager Monterey Peninsula Water Management District Post Office Box 85 Monterey, California 93942-0085

Subject: Carmel River near Carmel Gage, Joint Funding Agreement, Water Year 2009

#### Dear Mr. Fuerst:

This letter confirms discussions between our respective staffs, concerning the continuation of the cooperative water resources program between the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District (District) and the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) for the period November 1, 2008 to October 31, 2009.

The proposed program and associated costs are as follows:

		District	USGS	Total
Station number	er and name	<u>Funds</u>	<b>Funds</b>	<b>Funds</b>
11143250 Carmel River n	ear Carmel	<u>\$ 12,950</u>	\$ 8,650	\$ 21,600
TOTAL		\$ 12,950	\$ 8,650	\$ 21,600

Total cost of the proposed program is \$21,600. Cost to the District is \$12,950, and subject to the availability of Federal matching funds, the USGS will provide \$8,650.

Enclosed are four originals of a Joint Funding Agreement (JFA) for your approval. Work performed with funds from this agreement will be conducted on a fixed-price basis. If you are in agreement with this proposed program, please return three signed JFA's to our office. The fourth JFA is for your records, pending USGS approval. Upon approval, a fully executed JFA will be forwarded for your records.

The USGS is required to have an agreement in place prior to any work being performed on a project. We request that the JFA be returned prior to November 1, 2008. If a JFA is not received by November 1, we will be required to suspend operations until an agreement is received.

# Mr. Darby Fuerst, General Manager- Monterey Peninsula WMD

If you have any questions concerning this program, please contact Larry Freeman, in our Marina Field Office, at (831) 883-2293. If you have any administrative questions, please contact Janee Hiett, in our Sacramento Office, at (916) 278-3001.

Sincerely,

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Michael V. Shulters
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## Enclosure

cc: Mr. Greg James, MPWMD

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