



April 9, 2022

Honorable Ken Calvert
House of Representative, 42nd District
2205 Rayburn HOB
Washington, DC 20515

Subject: Support EMWD's Request for STAG funding, Quail Valley Septic to Sewer Conversion

Dear Representative Calvert:

On behalf of Eastern Municipal Water District (EMWD), I respectfully request your support for U.S. EPA's State and Tribal Assistance Grants (STAG) funding for the Quail Valley Septic to Sewer Conversion Project in the FY 2023 Interior EPA Appropriations bill.

EMWD is the water, wastewater service, and recycled water provider to more than 839,000 people living and working within a 555-square mile service area in western Riverside County. EMWD is California's sixth-largest retail water agency with a mission to deliver value to customers and the communities we serve by providing safe, reliable, economical, and environmentally sustainable water, wastewater, and recycled water services. EMWD provides retail water service to customers located within the cities of Hemet, Menifee, Moreno Valley, Murrieta, Perris, San Jacinto, and Temecula and, the adjacent unincorporated communities. EMWD works hard to leverage external funding to reduce the financial burden on its ratepayers, over a third of whom are disadvantaged or severely disadvantaged.

EMWD is seeking assistance to fund the next phase of the septic to sewer conversion project in the ethnically diverse, disadvantaged community of Quail Valley. Quail Valley's challenges are many, however the most severe challenge is the raw sewage that, during rain events, overflows from failing septic tanks into residents' front yards, then into the streets of Quail Valley, and flows downstream to Canyon Lake, a drinking water reservoir.

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The septic system failures occur due to the very small lot size (small leach fields), the lack of percolation capacity in the surrounding soil, and in some cases, improper installation dating back to the 1940s, 1950s and the 1960s. While a portion of the community (Subarea 9) has been converted from septic to sewer, the building permit moratorium in the area will continue until both Subareas 9 and 4 are complete and connected to a centralized sewer system.

The Quail Valley Septic to Sewer project has been identified as a priority for both the California State Water Resources Control Board and the Santa Ana Regional Water Quality Control Board. EMWD's efforts are now being directed to provide sewer solutions to the 540 homes within Subarea 4. This region is hilly, the soil is rocky, lot sizes are very small, and the roads are very narrow. These are all variables that make sewer system construction very challenging and expensive.

EMWD is requesting \$2.5 million from the STAG account to construct the onsite laterals for the septic to sewer conversion project for Subarea 4.

Thank you for your long-standing partnership to help elevate the quality of life in Quail Valley and for considering requesting STAG funding for the Quail Valley Septic to Sewer Conversion project. This project will provide benefits, long into the future for a community in need.

If you have any questions, I can be reached at paulep@emwd.org.

Sincerely,

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Phil E. Paule

President, Board of Directors

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March 31, 2022

Phil Paule, President/Board of Directors
Eastern Municipal Water District
2270 Trumble Road
Perris, CA 92572-8300

Re: Support for EMWD's Request for STAG funding, Quail Valley Septic to Sewer Conversion

Dear President Paule:

I would like to express my support for Eastern Municipal Water District's (EMWD) request for U.S. EPA's State and Tribal Assistance Grants (STAG) funding for the Quail Valley Septic to Sewer Conversion Project in the FY 2023 Interior EPA Appropriations bill.

EMWD is the water, wastewater service, and recycled water provider to nearly one million people within a 555-square mile service area in western Riverside County, and works hard to leverage external funding to reduce the financial burden on its ratepayers, over a third of whom are disadvantaged or severely disadvantaged.

I support EMWD's request for \$2.5 million from STAG to help fund the next phase of the septic to sewer conversion project in the ethnically diverse, disadvantaged community of Quail Valley. Quail Valley's challenges are many, however the most severe challenge is the raw sewage that, during rain events, overflows from failing septic tanks into residents' front yards, then into the streets of Quail Valley, and flows downstream to Canyon Lake, a drinking water reservoir.

The Quail Valley Septic to Sewer project has been identified as a priority for both the California State Water Resources Control Board and the Santa Ana Regional Water Quality Control Board.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Kelly Seyarto
Assemblymember, 67th District

County of Riverside



SUPERVISOR JEFF HEWITT FIFTH DISTRICT

April 4th, 2022

Phil Paule
President, Board of Directors
Eastern Municipal Water District
2270 Trumble Road
Perris CA 92572-8300

Subject: Support EMWD's Request for STAG funding, Quail Valley Septic to Sewer Conversion

Dear President Paule,

As the Chairman of the Riverside County Board of Supervisors, I am delighted to support Eastern Municipal Water District's (EMWD) request for U.S. EPA's State and Tribal Assistance Grants (STAG) funding for the Quail Valley Septic to Sewer Conversion Project in the FY 2023 Interior EPA Appropriations bill.

EMWD is the water, wastewater service, and recycled water provider to nearly one million people within a 555-square mile service area in western Riverside County, and works very hard to leverage external funding to reduce the financial burden on its ratepayers, over a third of whom are disadvantaged or severely disadvantaged.

I am strongly supportive of the EMWD's request for \$2.5 million from STAG to help fund the next phase of the septic to sewer conversion project in the ethnically diverse, disadvantaged community of Quail Valley. Quail Valley's challenges are many, however, the most severe challenge is the raw sewage that, during rain events, overflows from failing septic tanks into residents' front yards, then into the streets of Quail Valley, and flows downstream to Canyon Lake, a drinking water reservoir.

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Please let me know if we can support this important project in any other way.

Sincerely,

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Jeff Hewitt, 5th District Chairman
Riverside County Board of Supervisors

Santa Ana Regional Water Quality Control Board

April 20, 2022

Phil Paule
President, Board of Directors
Eastern Municipal Water District
2270 Trumble Road
Perris, California 92572-8300

SUPPORT FOR EASTERN MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT'S REQUEST FOR USEPA'S STATE AND TRIBAL ASSISTANCE GRANT FUNDING FOR QUAIL VALLEY SEPTIC TO SEWER CONVERSION

Dear President Paule,

On behalf of the Santa Ana Regional Water Quality Control Board (Santa Ana Water Board), I am pleased to support Eastern Municipal Water District's (EMWD's) request for U.S. EPA's State and Tribal Assistance Grants (STAG) funding for the Quail Valley Septic to Sewer Conversion Project in the FY 2023 Interior EPA Appropriations bill.

As EMWD is the water, wastewater service, and recycled water provider to nearly one million people in western Riverside County, the Santa Ana Water Board recognizes that EMWD works hard to leverage external funding to reduce the financial burden of its ratepayers, as over a third of whom are disadvantaged or severely disadvantaged.

A prohibition for new septic systems in Subareas 4 and 9 of Quail Valley was issued by the Santa Ana Water Board to protect public health and surface water quality due to numerous failed septic systems. During rain events, the failed septic systems have been known to result in sewage surfacing within the residential areas of Quail Valley that then flows downstream into Canyon Lake, a drinking water reservoir.

The Santa Ana Water Board supports EMWD's request for \$2.5 million from STAG to help fund the next phase of the septic to sewer conversion project in the ethnically diverse, disadvantaged community of Quail Valley. This project helps to protect the public health of the Quail Valley residents and water quality impacts to Canyon Lake and aligns with the Santa Ana Water Board's Human Right to Water Resolution.

The Quail Valley Septic to Sewer project has been identified as a priority for both the California State Water Resources Control Board and the Santa Ana Regional Water Quality Control Board. EMWD's efforts are now being directed to provide sewer solutions to the 540 homes within Subarea 4. This region is hilly, the soil is rocky, lot sizes are very

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small, and the roads are very narrow. These are all variables that make sewer system construction very challenging and expensive.

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Sincerely,

Jayne Joy, P.E.
Executive Officer

cc: Joe Mouawad, General Manager, EMWD
Kristine Murray, Santa Ana Water Board Chair

April 5, 2022

Phil Paule
President, Board of Directors
Eastern Municipal Water District
2270 Trumble Road
Perris CA 92572-8300

RE: Support EMWD's Request for STAG funding, Quail Valley Septic to Sewer Conversion

On behalf of the City of Menifee, we are pleased to support Eastern Municipal Water District's (EMWD) request for U.S. EPA's State and Tribal Assistance Grants (STAG) funding for the Quail Valley Septic to Sewer Conversion Project in the FY 2023 Interior EPA Appropriations bill.

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The City of Menifee supports EMWD's request for \$2.5 million from STAG to help fund the next phase of the septic to sewer conversion project in the ethnically diverse, disadvantaged community of Quail Valley. Quail Valley's challenges are many, but the most severe challenge is the raw sewage that, during rain events, overflows from failing septic tanks into residents' front yards, then into the streets of Quail Valley, and flows downstream to Canyon Lake, a drinking water reservoir.

The Quail Valley Septic to Sewer project has been identified as a priority for both the California State Water Resources Control Board and the Santa Ana Regional Water Quality Control Board. EMWD's efforts are now being directed to provide sewer solutions to the 540 homes within Subarea 4. This region is hilly, the soil is rocky, lot sizes are very small, and the roads are very narrow. These are all variables that make sewer system construction very challenging and expensive.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Phillip Southard, Public Information and Legislative Affairs Officer, Office of the City Manager at (951) 723-3873 or psouthard@cityofmenifee.us.

Sincerely,



Bill Zimmerman
Mayor



April 5, 2022

Phil Paule
President, Board of Directors
Eastern Municipal Water District
2270 Trumble Road
Perris CA 92572-8300

Subject: Support EMWD's Request for STAG funding, Quail Valley Septic to Sewer Conversion

Dear President Paule:

On behalf of the City of Lake Elsinore, I am pleased to support Eastern Municipal Water District's (EMWD) request for U.S. EPA's State and Tribal Assistance Grants (STAG) funding for the Quail Valley Septic to Sewer Conversion Project in the FY 2023 Interior EPA Appropriations bill.

EMWD is the water, wastewater service, and recycled water provider to nearly one million people within a 555-square mile service area in western Riverside County and works very hard to leverage external funding to reduce the financial burden on its ratepayers, over a third of whom are disadvantaged or severely disadvantaged.

The City of Lake Elsinore supports EMWD's request for \$2.5 million from STAG to help fund the next phase of the septic to sewer conversion project in the ethnically diverse, disadvantaged community of Quail Valley. Quail Valley's challenges are many, however, the most severe challenge is the raw sewage that, during rain events, overflows from failing septic tanks into residents' front yards, then into the streets of Quail Valley, downstream to Canyon Lake, and ultimately can flow into Lake Elsinore.

The Quail Valley Septic to Sewer project has been identified as a priority for both the California State Water Resources Control Board and the Santa Ana Regional Water Quality Control Board. EMWD's efforts are now being directed to provide sewer solutions to the 540 homes within Subarea 4. This region is hilly, the soil is rocky, lot sizes are very small, and the roads are very narrow. These are all variables that make sewer system construction very challenging and expensive.

Please let me know if we can support this important project in any other way.

Sincerely,



Jason Simpson
City Manager

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April 14, 2022
Phil Paule
President, Board of Directors
Eastern Municipal Water District
2270 Trumble Road
Perris CA 92572-8300

Subject: Support EMWD's Request for STAG funding, Quail Valley Septic to Sewer Conversion

Dear President Paule:

On behalf of the City of Canyon Lake, I am pleased to support Eastern Municipal Water District's (EMWD) request for U.S. EPA's State and Tribal Assistance Grants (STAG) funding for the Quail Valley Septic to Sewer Conversion Project in the FY 2023 Interior EPA Appropriations bill.

EMWD is the water, wastewater service, and recycled water provider to nearly one million people western Riverside County and works very hard to leverage external funding to reduce the financial burden on its ratepayers, over a third of whom are disadvantaged or severely disadvantaged.

The City of Canyon Lake supports EMWD's request for \$2.5 million from STAG to help fund the next phase of the septic to sewer conversion project in the disadvantaged community of Quail Valley. Quail Valley's challenges are many, however the most severe challenge is the raw sewage that, during rain events, overflows from failing septic tanks into residents' front yards, then into the streets of Quail Valley, and flows downstream to Canyon Lake, a drinking water reservoir.

This project has been identified as a priority for both the California State Water Resources Control Board and the Santa Ana Regional Water Quality Control Board. EMWD's efforts are now being directed to provide sewer solutions to the 540 homes within Subarea 4. This region is hilly, the soil is rocky, lot sizes are very small, and the roads are very narrow. These are all variables that make sewer system construction very challenging and expensive.

Please let me know if we can support this important project in any other way.

Sincerely,

Chris Mann
City Manager

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April 15, 2022

Phil Paule
President, Board of Directors
Eastern Municipal Water District
2270 Trumble Road
Perris CA 92572-8300

Subject: Support EMWD's Request for STAG funding, Quail Valley Septic to Sewer Conversion

Dear President Paule:

On behalf of the Canyon Lake Property Owners Association (POA), I am pleased to support Eastern Municipal Water District's (EMWD) request for U.S. EPA's State and Tribal Assistance Grants (STAG) funding for the Quail Valley Septic to Sewer Conversion Project in the FY 2023 Interior EPA Appropriations bill.

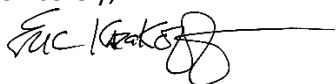
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The Canyon Lake POA supports EMWD's request for \$2.5 million from STAG to help fund the next phase of the septic to sewer conversion project in the ethnically diverse, disadvantaged community of Quail Valley. Quail Valley's challenges are many, however the most severe challenge is the raw sewage that, during rain events, overflows from failing septic tanks into residents' front yards, then into the streets of Quail Valley, and flows downstream to Canyon Lake, a drinking water reservoir.

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Sincerely,



Eric Kazakoff
General Manager

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Our Mission...

The EVMWD team delivers total water management that powers the health and vibrancy of its communities so life can flourish.

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April 14, 2022

Phil Paule
President, Board of Directors
Eastern Municipal Water District
2270 Trumble Road
Perris CA 92572-8300

SUBJECT: SUPPORT EMWD'S REQUEST FOR STAG FUNDING, QUAIL VALLEY SEPTIC TO SEWER CONVERSION

Dear President Paule:

On behalf of the Elsinore Valley Municipal Water District, I am pleased to support Eastern Municipal Water District's (EMWD) request for U.S. EPA's State and Tribal Assistance Grants (STAG) funding for the Quail Valley Septic to Sewer Conversion Project in the FY 2023 Interior EPA Appropriations bill.

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Elsinore Valley Municipal Water District supports EMWD's request for \$2.5 million from STAG to help fund the next phase of the septic to sewer conversion project in the ethnically diverse, disadvantaged community of Quail Valley. Quail Valley's challenges are many, however the most severe challenge is the raw sewage that, during rain events, overflows from failing septic tanks into residents' front yards, then into the streets of Quail Valley, and flows downstream to Canyon Lake, a drinking water reservoir.

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Sincerely,

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Greg Thomas
General Manager



QUAIL VALLEY ENVIRONMENTAL COALITION (QVEC)

April 18, 2022

Phil Paule
President, Board of Directors
Eastern Municipal Water District
2270 Trumble Road
Perris CA 92572-8300

Subject: Support EMWD's Request for STAG funding, Quail Valley Septic to Sewer Conversion

Dear President Paule:

On behalf of the Quail Valley Environmental Coalition (QVEC), I am pleased to support Eastern Municipal Water District's (EMWD) request for U.S. EPA's State and Tribal Assistance Grants (STAG) funding for the Quail Valley Septic to Sewer Conversion Project in the FY 2023 Interior EPA Appropriations bill.

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Sincerely,

Janet Anderson, President
Quail Valley Environmental Coalition

April 18, 2022

Phil Paule
President, Board of Directors
Eastern Municipal Water District
2270 Trumble Road
Perris CA 92572-8300

Subject: Support EMWD's Request for STAG funding, Quail Valley Septic to Sewer Conversion

Dear President Paule:

On behalf of the Quail Valley Community Group, I am pleased to support Eastern Municipal Water District's (EMWD) request for U.S. EPA's State and Tribal Assistance Grants (STAG) funding for the Quail Valley Septic to Sewer Conversion Project in the FY 2023 Interior EPA Appropriations bill.

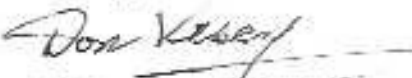
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Sincerely,


PRESIDENT

Santa Ana Regional Water Quality Control Board

April 20, 2022

Phil Paule
President, Board of Directors
Eastern Municipal Water District
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Perris, California 92572-8300

SUPPORT FOR EASTERN MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT'S REQUEST FOR USEPA'S STATE AND TRIBAL ASSISTANCE GRANT FUNDING FOR QUAIL VALLEY SEPTIC TO SEWER CONVERSION

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Sincerely,

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Jayne Joy, P.E.
Executive Officer

cc: Joe Mouawad, General Manager, EMWD
Kristine Murray, Santa Ana Water Board Chair