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To: Contract and Grant Recipients

On December 22, 2008, as a result of a state freeze on bond funds, the Wildlife Conservation Board (WCB) instructed all its grant recipients to cease work on bond funded projects. This letter is a follow-up and provides further clarification for grant recipients impacted by the freeze.

The WCB intends to reimburse grant recipients for project related expenses they may have incurred during the freeze so long as they are consistent with the terms of the WCB executed grant agreement (excluding interest paid on any loans, and any other financing costs). However, the WCB cannot and does not make any representation as to when the freeze will end and bond funds will become available again for reimbursement. Grantees, if they wish, may continue working on the project during the freeze, using their own resources or other funding sources.

We empathize with how difficult this has been for all our partners. If you have any questions regarding this matter please feel free to contact your project manager or myself at (916) 445-0137.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "John P. Donnelly". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

John P. Donnelly,
Executive Director