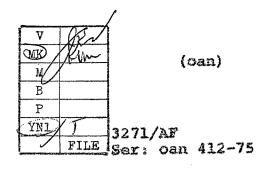
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5 JAN 1976

Mr. Jeffrey B. Paley Santa Barbara County Flood Control and Water Conservation District 123 East Anapamu Street Santa Barbara, CA 93101

Dear Mr. Paley:

Your letter dated 24 December 1975, provided information concerning Franklin Creek and the Carpinteria Valley Watershed Project.

The Coast Guard does not consider that portion of Franklin Creek which is the subject of the proposed Carpinteria Valley Watershed Project to be part of the navigable vaters of the United States at this time. However, this does not preclude the possibility of an affirmative determination of navigability in the future. Additional reviews will be required if the nature of the waterway is significantly altered.

Coast Guard permits for bridge construction will not be required for this project.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely.

W. F. GUY Captain, U. S. Coast Guard Chief of Staff

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