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PLACER COUNTY WATER AGENCY

Dear Mr. Jones:

Per the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's October 13, 2005 request for an update on the repair and maintenance of the French Meadows Recreation Facilities, the following is a summary of what has been completed and what will be completed by an estimated date.

1. **Prairie Wolf Group Campground Gate** The gate was removed October 20, 2005 and there are no plans to replace it. Large rocks were installed to replace the gate. This will prevent vehicle access into the group area and reduce the maintenance cost. (Photograph enclosed)
2. **Lewis Campground Bear-Proof Lockers** There are 40 sites at Lewis. Bear-proof containers were installed in sites 1-27. We plan to install containers for sites 28-40 by August 2006.

As referenced in our September 4, 2005 letter to you, and in FERC's July 21, 2005 inspection letter, the following have been completed:

1. **French Meadows Day Use Picnic Area** The boards across the ephemeral stream were removed November 7, 2005. The boulders were removed and the gravel bed reworked for safe foot traffic crossing. (Photograph enclosed)
2. **McGuire Picnic Area** The brush piles were burned October 26, 2005. The larger logs did not burn completely but will be cut up and removed by July 2006. (Photograph enclosed)

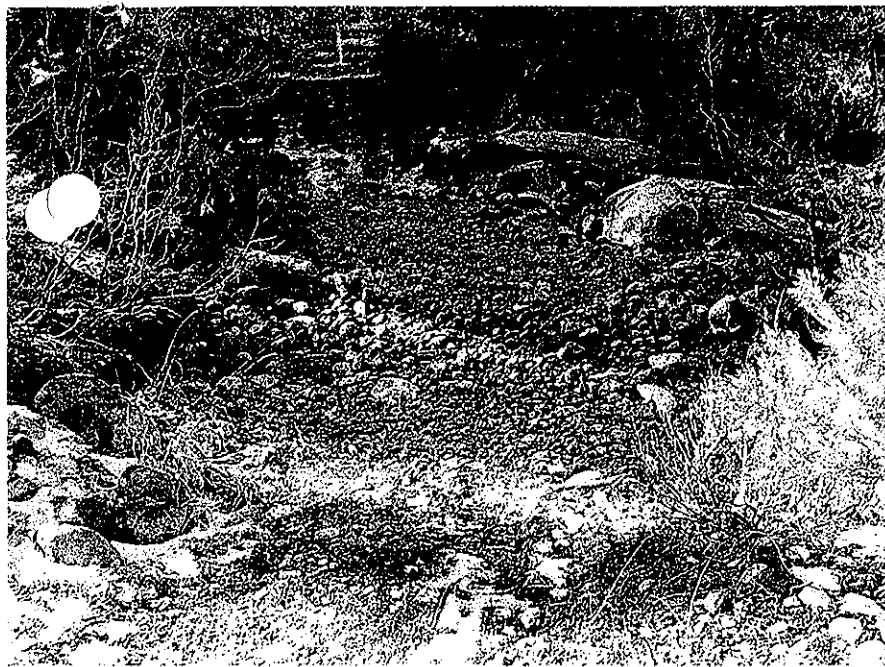
We hope that the follow-up maintenance items identified by FERC have been completed to the satisfaction of both the Water Agency and the Commission.

If you have any questions, feel free to call me.

Sincerely,

JAN CUTTS
District Ranger





**French Meadows Picnic Stream
Crossing**

Wooden footbridge removed from the site, large rocks removed from the stream bed. Stream crossing smoothed with gravel for easy foot traffic accessing to the picnic area.

**Prairie Wolf Group
Campground**

Green bent pipe gate removed. Large boulders were installed with a backhoe to prevent vehicle access into the campground area.



Mc Guire Picnic Area

Brush piles have been burned. Logs and unburned material will be removed from picnic area.