

Subject: Re: Vista Ridge LLC Temporary Amendment
Date: Friday, September 8, 2023 at 1:05:40 PM Central Daylight Time
From: Gary Westbrook
To: Schuster, Stefan
CC: Hamlet Newsom, Janay, Mark, Troy Day, Steven Siebert
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Hello Stefan,

Thank you for your email. Post Oak management agrees that you have reported to the POSGCD board on a consistent basis and that you have reported success in achieving the 82/18 mix that was desired by you.

However, I am not sure why the necessary production rate of 45,835 AF is even being discussed as that was known from the beginning and was the purpose of drilling the 19th well. As you state, "the *existing* Simsboro wells cannot produce the necessary production of 45,835 AF that would be necessary to reduce the Carrizo pumpage to 10,000 AF." This causes great concern as that appears to be the basis for your request to NOT drill the 19th well.

Please explain by Monday noon how this disgorges your promise to apply for a permanent amendment and to drill the 19th well.

Sincerely,
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Happy Friday Gary,

Thank you for your time at TAGD and allowing Vista Ridge LLC to test the capability of the system to produce more Simsboro over Carrizo aquifer sources. As reported to the POSGCD board on a consistent basis, the Simsboro well designs have limited our ability to produce above a 77/23 ratio since April 2023. All parties want to achieve the goal of being good stewards of our groundwater resources and making efforts to reduce our dependence on the Carrizo. However, the testing performed to date has demonstrated that our existing Simsboro wells cannot produce the necessary production of 45,835 AF that would be necessary to reduce the Carrizo pumpage to 10,000 AF. Project Company has already invested millions in addition to the original construction contract in an effort to produce the amount of groundwater permitted by POSGCD. 2023 will be the first year since commercial operations began that we have been able to operate the well field to produce and deliver 50,000 AF of water to SAWS. We have to ensure our existing system can continue to meet our permitted delivery amounts before investing further in new/additional wells.

Therefore, Vista Ridge LLC has not submitted an application to make the Temporary Amendment of April 2023 permanent. Vista Ridge is committed to working with the POSGCD in continuing dialogue to be a good neighbor and find a way to meet the objectives we set out to pursue in April 2023. Furthermore, we believe that with the additional Simsboro pumping granted by POSGCD as part of the temporary amendment, we are able to recognize some level of reduction in Carrizo pumping that we can evaluate further with your assistance and look to memorialize in the near term.

Thank you for your consideration and as always, I'm available for questions or concerns. Make it a great day,

Stefan



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