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## Arbuckle Public Utility District Addresses Wastewater Pond Spills and Clarifies Reporting Procedures

**Arbuckle, CA** — The Arbuckle Public Utility District (APUD) is issuing this statement to address recent concerns regarding a series of wastewater pond spills affecting neighboring agricultural land. Each of these incidents was promptly reported to the appropriate regulatory agencies, in accordance with state and local requirements.

APUD acknowledges that multiple spills have occurred from the District's wastewater treatment ponds, and we take these incidents seriously. In every case, APUD immediately notified the relevant authorities and has been cooperating fully with the Colusa County Environmental Health Division and California Regional Water Quality Control Board staff to report and address these issues.

We also wish to clarify a recent press release issued by the Colusa County Department of Public Health, which incorrectly stated that the spills had not been reported and that the County was unaware of the events. APUD has maintained full transparency throughout this process and is committed to ongoing communication and compliance with all regulatory standards.

We are actively working with both County and State partners to identify and implement a longterm solution to prevent future occurrences and safeguard public health and the environment. While these spills present serious concerns for the District, we have confirmed that the District's drinking water supply remains secure at this time.

We remain dedicated to protecting our community and the agricultural lands that surround us, and we will continue to provide updates as progress is made.

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