



**Fw: March 12, 2013 Agenda Item 13**

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To The Board of Supervisors:

Re: Agenda Item 13 for March 12, 2013 regarding Cambria in Resource Management System Summary Report

Below please find a copy of my comments sent to the most recent WRAC meeting.

I support maintaining LOS 3 in Cambria until our water situation changes somewhere besides on paper. The plan for a pilot study makes sense and we already have 40

Intent to Serve letters issued for the Peoples' Self Help affordable housing project, so that would serve nicely as "a small scale pilot program" to see how the CCSD's water use efficiency plan works. I also strongly support the view that a CEQA process would have to be part of any changes to the LOS or the GMO.

Thank you for your time and your work.

Sincerely,

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To: Members of the Water Resources Advisory Committee

From: Lynne Harkins-Cambria Rate Payer

Thank you for this opportunity to comment on your agenda Item 9.

I write to applaud the thoughtful list of questions which you include as part of your consideration of Item 9- Cambria CSD's request for your support in a change to our LOS.

In looking at earlier related development matters that had hearings before the Coastal Commission, I see repeated references to the need for instream flow studies for both San Simeon and Santa Rosa Creeks. This aligns with your question about whether there is a need for a Resource Capacity Study. Yes, there is a need and to date the CCSD has not done any such studies.

While CCSD's "Water Use Efficiency Plan" doubtless has some merit, it's usefulness is much impeded by it's failure to address the fact that the Cambria CSD serves rate payers in the context of the needs of Ag land and Environmentally Sensitive Habitat Areas (ESHA). We can't just look at the water picture through wholly human residence-centered lenses. We have to maintain or restore a water situation that sustains the entire community of living things, including many water dependent endangered species. Both of our creeks are seasonally too low and too warm to be conducive to survival of endangered species. Reducing water use in residences to allow for building more residences does not restore water to our creeks/watersheds. In other words, we must allocate water savings to improve the environmentally sensitive habitat areas in which we live. Likely this means the highest LOS continues to be appropriate until full tertiary,UV etc wastewater treatment provides beneficial reuse sources of water.

In any event, I hope you will weight this "Water Use Efficiency Plan" accordingly and, along with it, the CCSD's request for a changed LOS level, when you see that the word "environment" is used only twice in the WUE Plan and one of those uses is to negate the need to be guided by environmental considerations in looking at all aspects of water planning policy. From the WUE Plan:

"Other factors external to the utility, such as environmental effects, are often difficult to quantify, are not necessarily under the control of the utility. They are therefore frequently excluded from economic analyses, including this one. "

Thank you for your time and for your work.

Sincerely,

Lynne Harkins  
Cambria



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Dear Ms. Zones,

Would you kindly include my letter in the packet for tomorrow's meeting of the Board of Supervisors?

Thank you!



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To: San Luis County Board of Supervisors

RE: March 12, 2013, Agenda Item #13: Hearing to Consider the 2010-2012 Biennial Summary Report of the Resources Management System.

Dear Board of Supervisors of San Luis Obispo County:

I ask that you approve the Recommended Action Requirement on pp. 13 and 121 of the Report in regard to the Level of Severity (III), and proposed collaborative efforts with the Cambria Community Services District.

While the Cambria Community Services District is making a concerted effort to engage in Conservation practices for the Cambria community, it is too early in the beginning stages of this effort, to have any verification/data of what impact to actual water savings it will have. Projections of water savings of 70+ AFY are simply projections; data has to be factored in, before an actual number can be deemed reliable.

In reading Staff's Report, p. 52/148, I noticed that Nipomo's Conservation efforts have rendered a reduction of 22% in water usage from years 2005 to 2010, and yet the RMS recommendation is still for a Level III.

Looking at the data provided in Staff's Report, Cambria's water production has risen by 28 AFY (679 AFY/ 2010-2011) to (707 AFY/ 2011-2012). In addition, the 2010 Census revealed a reduction of population for Cambria, by approx. 204 persons, close to 3% of the population.

The Cambria CSD has recently issued 40 Intent to Serve letters to People's Self-Help Housing, which will require close to 7 AFY. In addition, the Cambria CSD has issued an Intent to Serve letter to Kingston Bay Senior Living, for a Commercial meter requiring 2 AFY. It would seem that any additional Intent to Serve letters at this time would be inappropriate and actually, irresponsible. Why not use these two projects for a pilot study?

We have not had adequate rainfall this year, putting our water levels in potential jeopardy. We also have not received a long awaited EIR/EIS from the Army Corps of Engineers for a supplemental water project, which was expected this month. According to the Feb. 28, 2013 CCSD board meeting, the ACE will not have the EIR/EIS anytime soon—no date was given!

I thank Staff for its work and preparation for this Report, and again for the recommended actions regarding Cambria's RMS status.

Sincerely,

Tina Dickason

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