



BofS 10-8 Agenda - PR GroundWater Basin Ordinance

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SLO County Board of Supervisors

re: 10-8-13 Agenda: Extension of Urgency Ordinance on Paso Robles Groundwater Basin

It is imperative that the BofS extend this ordinance for two years. The basin is in a critical condition, and has been for years. Failure to act now will result in permanent damage as collapsing geological strata will make recharge impossible.

The contentions regarding vested interests can be negotiated as implementation measures are examined, but should not be used as a means to subvert necessary action.

The recent imposition of the ordinance has brought stakeholders from across the economic and political spectra together in the most progressive attempts to forge practical solutions ever convened in the North County. Abandoning this construct will result in fragmentation and failure, with enormous and escalating economic, social and environmental damage.

David Broadwater

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Fw: Extend Water Urgency Ordinance
Debbie Arnold to: cr_board_clerk Clerk Recorder

10/07/2013 12:04 PM

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Supervisor, 5th District
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From: Joseph Sulse <jsulse@gmail.com>
To: darnold@co.slo.ca.us
Date: 10/03/2013 03:03 PM
Subject: Extend Water Urgency Ordinance

Debbie Arnold,

I am saddened and angry you have chosen not to extend the Water Urgency Ordinance. The line MUST be drawn somewhere/sometime and NOW is the time to act. Your actions have brought me to the conclusion that you don't have the interests of the rural residents who rely on ground water as your number one priority. Home owners have much to lose because if our wells go dry our homes and land are worthless! Big Ag can just close up shop, take the tax right offs and leave the mess behind. We are in overdraft situation now and adding more demand on the aquifer just does not make sense. People have known this was coming and those that chose to ignore the issue, undertook plans to plant vines, can now reap the consequences for their poor investment. Agree to the Resolution on Vested Rights and demonstrate your commitment to the rural land owner.

I have written to the Governor's office to request the vacant District 4 Supervisor's seat be filled.

Joseph Sulse
PO Box 332
Creston, CA 93432



Fw: Urgency Ordinance

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From: Carolyn Sokol <sokool@att.net>
To: "darnold@co.slo.ca.us" <darnold@co.slo.ca.us>
Date: 10/04/2013 07:53 AM
Subject: Urgency Ordinance

To: Supervisor Arnold
From: Carolyn Sokol, Templeton

I wish to add my voice to the numbers requesting an extension to the above referenced ordinance. It is foolhardy to allow additional usage of ground water for new or expanded projects or developments when there is a serious shortage of water from a dwindling water source. It is inconceivable that water for personal use should be sacrificed to increase profits which would assuredly be doomed to fail when the water source is exhausted.

Please vote to extend the Urgency Ordinance until the crisis is past.

Thank you,

Carolyn Sokol

Templeton, CA 93465



Fw: Resolution on Vested Rights

Board of Supervisors to: BOS_Legislative Assistants,
cr_board_clerk Clerk Recorder

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Sent by: **Cytasha Campa**

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From: Claire m paul m Irene <cpm752011215147@yahoo.com>
To: "darnold@co.slo.ca.us" <darnold@co.slo.ca.us>, "BoardofSup@co.slo.ca.us"
<BoardofSup@co.slo.ca.us>
Date: 10/07/2013 08:30 AM
Subject: Resolution on Vested Rights

Dear Supervisor Arnold

Please read the "Resolution on Vested Rights", and reconsider your vote.

I am a retired Overlier for water equity, and am dependent on the value of my house, and of course water; like others in this area. My understanding is residents precede agriculture, but I do feel we need to find an equitable solution for everyone.

Please enter this email and other letters and emails into the record for the meeting on October 8, 2013.



Fw: Interactive Atlas Highlights Water Use Issues in California - Wired Science

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cr_board_clerk Clerk Recorder

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Sent by: **Cytasha Campa**

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From: "Laura Kelsay Edwards" <laura@us-ltrcd.org>
To: <kelly@us-ltrcd.org>
Date: 10/07/2013 12:42 PM
Subject: FW: Interactive Atlas Highlights Water Use Issues in California - Wired Science

Thought you might find interesting...

<http://www.wired.com/wiredscience/2013/07/california-water-rights-atlas/>

Regards,



Laura Kelsay Edwards
Executive Director
US-LT Resource Conservation District
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Fw: Water Issue

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10/07/2013 04:14 PM

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From: Sandy Jekel <sandjekel@gmail.com>
To: darnold@co.slo.ca.us
Date: 10/04/2013 11:52 AM
Subject: Re: Water Issue

thank you. I do think we should not continue the moratorium. Paso Robles is adding another 1400+ homes as well as want so put in another hotel and the rest of us are stuck with the problems. We applied for a permit to put in a well, should ours have problems, the County ok'ed it then pulled the permit. I Paso Robles not included in the moratorium? They are the ones screaming about the water and want the rest of us to make all the sacrifice, and it still does not fix the problem. We both know when you buy land in the country, your well is not guaranteed. It goes dry, you drill another. I would not expect someone else to pay for mine. These areas, Jardine and Geneseo have been notorious for years with the well problems. Paso should not be allowed to continue building without providing additional water. This is ridiculous. Thanks again for your time.

On Fri, Oct 4, 2013 at 11:23 AM, <darnold@co.slo.ca.us> wrote:

Thank you for taking the time to contact me regarding the Paso Robles Ground Water Basin Urgency Ordinance.

It is my goal to work to provide solutions that address the health of the basin and a dependable supply for all stakeholders in the basin.

On August 27th, the Board of Supervisors unanimously passed an Urgency Ordinance to address this issue. The Final Urgency Ordinance is available to view on the County website <http://www.slocounty.ca.gov/site4.aspx>.

We are now in a situation where we need to vote whether or not to extend the Urgency Ordinance as it expires on October 11, 2013. Additionally, we were tasked with clarifying the definition of the ordinance. On October 1st, I was prepared to extend the Urgency Ordinance, but only after we clearly defined the ordinance. I made it known to my colleagues that I was very concerned about how the ordinance would affect the working families of the North County and the businesses that employ them. In an effort to promote responsible government, I will continue to insist that the ordinance be clearly defined before I will consider voting to extend it.

I was pleased to hear that many of the residents of the basin are collaborating to help

create solutions to ensure the health of our basin. Together we can work to maintain the quality of life in the North County and a healthy environment for future generations.

It is an honor to serve the 5th District.

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From: Sandy Jekel <sandjekel@gmail.com>
To: darnold@co.slo.ca.us
Date: 10/02/2013 03:52 PM
Subject: Water Issue

Hi Debbie,

I was glad to see your no vote to continue the moratorium. Thank you for your continued support. I noticed the headline in the Tribune yesterday that Paso wants to add another hotel.... The rest of us are supposed to have to deal with their problems and they just go on building. I really don't think it is right. We deal with offsets because they use more water than can be replaced, they built for 30 years without adding plans for additional water and now they want someone else to pay for it. I hope the rest of us are not going to have to keep paying for their shortsightedness.

Thanks again for your time and effort.

Sandy Jekel

Creston, CA 93432

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Fw: Groundwater Basin Management Plan
Debbie Arnold to: cr_board_clerk Clerk Recorder

10/07/2013 04:21 PM

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From: Dan Carpenter <dancarpslo@yahoo.com>
To: "darnold@co.slo.ca.us" <darnold@co.slo.ca.us>
Date: 10/04/2013 05:46 PM
Subject: Re: Groundwater Basin Management Plan

Hi Debbie,

Just wanted to thank you again for taking such a strong stand this week in support of those whose property rights and investments would have been compromised with the extension of the ordinance. With the recent appointment of Ms. Ray, I can only imagine how those rights will be once again be in jeopardy. Your strength in leadership is appreciated by so many in our County.

Keep up the good work.

DC

Dan Carpenter
SLO City Council

From: "darnold@co.slo.ca.us" <darnold@co.slo.ca.us>
To: Dan Carpenter <dancarpslo@yahoo.com>
Sent: Friday, August 30, 2013 3:05 PM
Subject: Re: Groundwater Basin Management Plan

Thank you Dan for taking the time to express your concerns in regards to the Paso Robles Ground Water Basin.

It is my goal to work to provide solutions that address the health of the basin and a dependable supply for all stakeholders in the basin. I worked to bring amendments to the ordinance that would also protect the vested interests of local businesses in the North County.

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From: Dan Carpenter <dancarpslo@yahoo.com>
To: "darnold@co.slo.ca.us" <darnold@co.slo.ca.us>
Date: 08/27/2013 08:20 PM
Subject: Groundwater Basin Management Plan

Hi Debbie,

I haven't been in touch lately but just wanted to say how much I admire your continued effort to protect the property rights of those in your district and throughout the County. Although I don't live in your district, I know you constituents really appreciate your commitment considering the opposition from your colleagues.

Keep up the good work and please continue to stay in touch.
Dan

Dan Carpenter
SLO City Council

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