



Fw: NO VOTE, please, on PRGWB district studies
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Kindest regards,

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Honorable Supervisors:

The "public debate" regarding whether or not to form a special water district for the PRGWB seems to have become, instead, a *fait accompli* railroading of this terribly misguided idea. We need REAL, honest debate, NOT window-dressing for a debacle.

I urge each of you to vote NO on each of the two substantial budget items before you this week, especially the Carollo Engineering Contract for \$1.4 million.

What if there are much better solutions (several of which have been recently proposed)? Do we really have \$1.5 million in taxpayer moneys to throw away on studies which are themselves based on a series of assumptions and intentions which can only be described as non-democratic (since all EIR and most public discussion were skirted by the "urgency" finding).

At a recent PRAAGS/PWE meeting at Pear Valley, water district formation advocates admitted that they will seek "export partners" through basin management powers in the special legislation. They admitted they already have all the big land interests they need to create a water district. They admitted that EXPORT of our water is on the table, as is water banking, trading water, etc. All of this means "paper water" for profiteer while the land and water rights of myself and my neighbors are taken away with the most callous disregard for my rights and our state constitution. Yet, PRAAGS/PWE claimed over and over that such a plan will not take away any existing water or land rights!

So is the Board being duped? I sincerely hope you are not being consciously complicit!

** The Carollo contract includes evaluations for “EXCHANGE” of our PRGWB water with potential partners. State water is NOT a “supply side option”. Your board has already been provided with a lengthy document proving that there is no state water for exchange and so we should NOT spend public funds to do tie into such a system! We should be creating our OWN water solutions.

** In all events, Task 3 of this contract MUST be taken out! ALL language referring to “exchanges” of PRGWB water for ANY other water must be omitted. Joining the largely fictitious "state water" endeavor will be a disaster for SLO county.

Special legislation is necessary for the proposed water district and, in keeping with the largely "behind closed doors" nature of this process to date, the public has seen the legislation written by PRAAGS and PWE attorneys! Why aren't alternatives being publicly debated? The public has a right to read and discuss the proposed legislation at each step of this process, and your board is shirking its duty if you simply rubber stamp something so clearly supportive of only one (for profit) position.

All landowners who will be affected by the management powers contained in the legislation have the right to review the legislation prior to the Board of Supervisors approval vote. Any draft legislation should be presented at the affected advisory group meetings for review and comment - Creston Advisory, San Miguel Advisory, Templeton Advisory, Shandon Advisory - because it will impact everyone's rights. Please do not continue to avoid honest public debate... that is how truly good solutions are developed!

Please act within the requisite responsibilities of your offices by making this process completely transparent, by providing adequate opportunity for public review and debate, and especially by remaining open-minded on this entire set of extremely important issues.

Thank you for your consideration,

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