From: thomas ruppenthal <truppenthal@att.net>

Sent: Tuesday, March 1, 2022 12:42 PM

To: Board Comment

Subject: Public Comment for March 1 meeting - regarding the 1251 S. Eliseo Project

The rushed through "homeless" project for 1251 S. Eliseo is planned to open within the next year and will be adding c. 50 full bathrooms (toilet, sink, shower) as well as a communal kitchen sinks as well as on-site laundry facilities which will have a significant impact upon water usage. The mentally troubled and anti-social people slated to inhabit the site will have little or no interest in conservation and in fact might enjoy wasting this precious commodity. This project was not publicized until late September and is in the final stages of approval with very little public input and with no discussion at all about this great increase in water usage. The county is committing to c. \$8 million to purchase and renovate the site plus another c. \$2 million annually to operate - money that could better be used to increase our water security. I would ask the board to look at this issue and have a public discussion with the BOS and the Episcopal Community Services, which will operate the facility and which has shown no interest in responding to public concerns, to give estimates of water usage and any plans that would involve on-site conservation.

Thank you

Thomas Ruppenthal Larkspur

From: DELOS PUTZ <marincwby@comcast.net>

Sent: Tuesday, March 1, 2022 8:21 AM

To: Board Comment

Subject: Please impose rationing

We are in a drought. The water in the reservoirs has to last. **PLEASE IMPOSE WATER RATIONING RESTRICTIONS IMMEDIATELY.** We cannot afford to waste water on lawns and gardens in the middle of a drought. We need to conserve water for people.

C. Delos Putz San Geronimo (415) 488-4123

From: mprice the-acorn.com <mprice@the-acorn.com>

Sent: Tuesday, March 1, 2022 8:00 PM

To: Board Comment

Subject: Regarding Water Supply for Marin County

Dear MMWD Board Members,

I have heard that some Marin County residents are proposing a ballot issue in favor of a desalinization plant in Marin County and that importing more water from outside our County has also been proposed.

Personally, I have been conserving water since our drought in the 70's. I strongly believe that our residents can do much more in the area of conservation so that we can forestall the measures mentioned above. We need to realize that droughts are the "new normal" and that our life styles have to change accordingly.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely yours,

Marilyn Price Mill Valley

Sent: Tuesday, March 1, 2022 11:05 AM

To: Board Comment

Subject: Questions and comments for tonight's water board meeting

Hello Marin Water Board,

I have included some comments and questions below for tonight's board meeting.

I am primarily concerned that there appears to be consideration for repealing Ordinance 418- my right as a Marin resident to vote on a desalination plant as a solution to the drought. Even more unsettling is that this could happen prior to completion of your own water assessment study.

While I am not entirely opposed to desalination as an option for consideration, I am opposed to proceeding down this track while not taking into account the full environmental and climate consequences or the impact on Marin's residents and, by repealing 418, not allowing residents to weigh in on this decision.

Repeal of Ordinance 418: Does Marin Water support this repeal? If so, what is your justification for taking away Marin residents' right to vote for such an enormous and controversial undertaking as a desal plant?

Repeal of Ordinance 418: If Marin Water supports the repeal of Ordinance 418, that suggests that Marin Water would be ready to proceed with progress on a desalination plant prior to completing your own water assessment study. If so, what is your justification for moving forward without completing your study?

Rates: What would the impact of a desal plant on water rates be? For example: if progress toward developing the plans for a plant started in 2023 what do you estimate our rate increase would be starting 2023 and over the following 5 years?

Rates and community impact: I value a diverse population and living in a place where those that work here can afford to live. What plans are you considering to subsidize those for whom those rates are just not feasible?

Water conservation: I am an advocate of water conservation and try to do my part daily. It isn't fair for those of us who conserve water to subsidize those who don't. Will rates be structured in such a way as to reward those who conserve water and to hold those accountable who don't? Will the rate structure include fees for high or extremely high usage?

Renewable Energy: Can a plant be built at this time that operates entirely on renewable energy? Is there some advantage in postponing this a few years given ongoing technological advances in renewable energy?

Functionality: What happens to the plant operations when we don't need water from the plant? When rainfall and snowpack is adequate to take care of our needs?

Functionality: Where do our current water storage facilities and structure fit into the desal plant proposal?

Funding: Would a desal plant conceivably be eligible for federal funds if it is powered by renewable energy? That presumes a solid, green infrastructure plan.

Thank you so much for your time and consideration.

Bridget Mazzini, RN Mill Valley,Ca

From: John Leszczynski <johnl5447@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 27, 2022 12:42 PM

To: Board Comment; Jack Gibson; Monty Schmitt; Larry Bragman; Cynthia Koehler; Larry

Russell; Crystal Yezman; Paul Deuter; Steve Isaacs; Marin Coalition for Water Solutions; Michael Aaronson; Carolyn Patrick; Jeanne Leszczynski; Carolyn Shadan; Kathryn Oliver;

Will Houston; David Parquet

Subject: COMMENTS FOR UPCOMING MMWD BOARD MEETING 03/01/2022 ON A PROPOSED

BAD IDEA ...REPEALING MEASURE S (ORDINANCE 418)

Good Grief....Stop delaying the only long term solution to our forthcoming droughts...BUILDING a 15-25 MGD Desalination Plant!

I've submitted a simplified Project Plan in an email earlier to the BOARD suggesting the steps that can be started NOW, without further delay,

that are permissible under the Existing Measure S (Ordinance 418).

These steps will be necessary to do in any case to come up with a reasonable estimate for the cost of such a project..to compare it

with all the other "solutions" that must be estimated for a fair comparison.!

Therefore, CLEARLY, Alternative 1 is complete nonsense......UNLESS your goal is the stalling to death of the DESAL PLANT

until we run out of rain water to fill reservoirs, supplying clean water for dirty applications (then cleaning for reuse), and potable uses.

ALTERNATIVE 1 will confuse voters, because it's a direct repudiation of the highly successful Measure S that got 69% approval

last time, <u>allowing the BOARD to begin the detailed planning necessary for estimating</u>, then, after voter approval of

the necessary second measure, to fund and build the plant.

ALTERNAtiVE 2 is of course necessary in any case. By all means, CONTINUE the SUPPLY ASSESSMENT....BUT you should disclose

under what assumptions of future rainfall, and the uses of the water in what areas of the county, on which the numbers are based.....applied equally to all "options" for water supply.

Note that, as I hope, the DESAL PLANT is the option that should "win out", and if so, and you follow ALT 1, then you'd have TWO measures

to approve, doubling costs unnecessarily, and causing further delays in the whole process!!.

Finally, looming over us all is the undeniable, unrelenting, unmitigated increase in the CO2 content in our atmosphere, driving the planet

to a Mars-like future. Unless PUTIN releases an atomic holocost first.

ALSO, I believe that if you don't approve a DESAL PLANT, and droughts continue to escalate into the future as we all expect,

then PROPERTY values will plummet in Marin County, drying up revenue from PROPERTY TAXES...and who wants to live in a desert without water. And then who needs a MMWD Board. Not me.

John Leszczynski 619 977 7341

From: Gregg C Gibson <greggcgibson@icloud.com>

Sent: Tuesday, March 1, 2022 12:11 PM

To: Board Comment
Cc: info@costmarin.org

Subject: STALLING WATER DECISIONS IS NOT OK...DO WHATEVER IS NECESSARY TO PLACE

THE MEASURE S REPEAL ON JUNE 7, 2022 BALLOT!

Dear MMWD Board of Directors,

Your professional management has made clear the benefits of repealing Measure S. You must quickly convene another board meeting to VOTE on placing Measure S Repeal on the June 7 ballot!

Sincerely, Gregg & Judy Gibson 47 South Oak Avenue San Anselmo, CA. 94960 Office: 415 457 2675

Cell: 415 531 3284 Home: 415 457 2665

Email: greggcgibson@icloud.com

From: Kristi Denton Cohen <kdc680@gmail.com>

Sent: Tuesday, March 1, 2022 11:39 AM

To: Board Comment

Subject: The Repeal of Measure S needs to be on June 5 ballot

With increasing impacts from extended heat waves and droughts and danger from outside threats such as wildland fire spreading through the watershed, we can no longer rely on our seven reservoirs as the sole supply of our water. New sources of supply must be immediately considered.

Even though we got lucky with major rain events in late 2021, we can't sit back and assume all is just fine with our water supply. It is not. It is imperative to get the repeal of Measure S on June's ballot so we can move forward and not face the regional embarrassment we faced when we tried to ram the Intertie through Richmond as if we were entitled (Marin) children.

At a recent MMWD financial committee meeting, someone said that it is "not a near term concern if there is no rain through April" and any decision could be put off. This is simply wrong. Increasing water supply in MMWD must be considered now, not later.

Please schedule a special Board meeting to place the repeal of Measure S on the June 5 ballot.

Pax, Kristi

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Kristi Denton Cohen Producer/Director Peloton Productions

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From: Jan Stephens <jbstephens175@gmail.com>

Sent: Tuesday, March 1, 2022 10:51 AM

To: Board Comment Cc: info@costmarin.org

Subject: Measure S

We strongly request that the MMWD Directors convene another Board Meeting on placing Measure S repeal on the June ballot. This is far too important and many Marin County residents are watching what you do.

Bob and Jan Stephens

San Rafael.

From: Pete <houser123@aol.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 1, 2022 10:42 AM

To: Board Comment Cc: info@costmarin.org

Subject: Measure S

Put Measure S on June 5th ballet.

GIVE US OPTIONS

Peter Houser 22 Ross Terrace Kentfield, Ca 94904 415-686-1939

From: Pat McGauley <pmcg2100@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 1, 2022 10:17 AM

To: Board Comment Subject: Measure S repeal

ATTN: MMWD

Please, please, convene another board meeting to VOTE on placing Measure S repeal on the <u>June 7</u> ballot.

I'm a longtime MMWD rate-payer and speak for everyone on my block. It's of utmost urgency to bring this important issue to the voters attention. Thank you! Patrick McGauley 12 Corte Almaden San Rafael, CA 94903 pmcg2100@gmail.com

Sent from my iPhone

From: Andrea Leavitt <leavitt2@pacbell.net>
Sent: Tuesday, March 1, 2022 10:01 AM

To: Board Comment **Subject:** need more water

Dear MMWD Directors,

I am concerned as a resident of Marin that MMWD is not pursuing fast enough a reliable, cost effective water plan for its population. Conservation is not a realistic sole strategy.

I would think additional reservoirs are needed.

The Board should act now to vote and place The Measure S Repeal on the June 7 ballot.

Thank you for moving towards realistic timely solutions.

Andrea

Andrea Leavitt Prospect Ave. San Anselmo

From: Karen Jaber <kjaber@pacbell.net>
Sent: Tuesday, March 1, 2022 10:00 AM

To: Board Comment

Cc: info@costmarin.org

Subject: Repeal Measure S!!

Good evening Water Board,

I urge you to repeal Measure S. we have to leave the possibility of desalination open to the County as a way to supplement our water. It's important to let voters decide in June whether to repeal Measure S. A voter approved rollback of Measure S would save time and money if desalination should turn out to be an important contributor to near or long term water sufficiency. I believe that a portfolio of approaches is vital to establishing water security for those of us who depend on MMWD.

Karen Jaber

From: Rosy R <rosy1222@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 1, 2022 9:33 AM

To: Board Comment
Cc: info@costmarin.org

Subject: URGENT: REPEAL MEASURE S IN JUNE!

REPEAL OF MEASURE S MUST BE PUT ON THE JUNE BALLOT!

WE CANNOT CONTINUE TO LIVE WITH THE THREAT OF INADEQUATE WATER, LIKE WE FACED LAST FALL, FOR ANY LONGER THAN ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY.

Thank you. Rosy Rogers Larkspur CA

From: Josh Gibson <joshgibsonmd@icloud.com>

Sent: Tuesday, March 1, 2022 9:26 AM

To: Board Comment
Cc: info@costmarin.org

Subject: Repeal Measure S / Ordinance #418

I strongly support giving voters the chance to repeal Measure S. Please vote this evening to place the repeal measure on the ballot tonight as time is running out to get this on the June 7 ballot.

Sincerely,

Josh Gibson

Sent from my iPhone

From: David Peterson <dpeterson307@aol.com>

Sent: Tuesday, March 1, 2022 9:24 AM

To: Board Comment
Cc: info@costmarin.org
Subject: Get Desal on June Ballot

I urge you to repeal Measure S ASAP to provide desal as an option going forward. Therefore you need to get it on the June Ballot. You must act now or miss this opportunity to join in the General Election.

David Peterson dpeterson307@aol.com (415) 596-7124 Cell 307 Upper Toyon Rd. PO Box 1445 Ross, CA 94957 Sent from my iPhone

From: Daly, Kathleen < KDaly@cbnorcal.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 1, 2022 9:17 AM

To: Board Comment
Cc: info@costmarin.org

Subject: STALLING WATER DECISION NOT OKAY!

Good morning-

I insist you MMWD directors quickly convene another board meeting to vote on placing Measure S repeal on the 6/7 ballot.

Given the raising threat of drought and wildfire, it's time to stop considering, and start acting NOW, to ensure we have sufficient water.

Kathleen Daly Global Luxury Specialist Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage International President's Circle 415.519.6074 DalyandLange.com

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From: John Sullivan <jlsullivan1@icloud.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 1, 2022 9:11 AM

To: Board Comment

Subject: Measure A - Item 10 on tonights board meeting agenda

Ladies & Gentlemen:

Please do not delay voting to approve placing the repeal of Measure S on the June ballot. You have taken too much time "considering" options to Marin's water problems. The time to act is now.

John Sullivan

From: Peter Vanmeter <mycre@pacbell.net>
Sent: Tuesday, March 1, 2022 8:04 AM

To: Board Comment
Cc: info@costmarin.org
Subject: Desalination Vote

I had idea until last night that you couldn't just (finally) make the decision to proceed with desalination.

Now that I know that a vote is necessary, put this on the ballot IMMEDIATELY.

Thanks.

Peter Van Meter Cell: (415) 699-2739 mycre@pacbell.net

From: james phelan <jlphelan@mac.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 1, 2022 7:40 AM

To:Board Comment **Subject:**measure s

mmwd board members,

pls. do your jobs and vote to get measure s repeal on the june 7 ballot. convene another board meeting asap. climate change is real and needs to be addressed!

james phelan jlphelan@mac.com

From: Jeff Leh <sierraleh@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 1, 2022 4:42 PM

To: Board Comment

Subject: Urgent: Agenda Item 10 & Desalination

Dear MMWD,

I am writing to urge the directors to quickly convene another board meeting to VOTE on placing Measure S repeal on the June 7 ballot.

Professionally, I have spent the bulk of my career to date on the executive team of a Marin based pet products company that was founded on the principles of environmental sustainability. Planning ahead in business and taking necessary steps to protect all options of supply - while protecting the environment have been a focus of mine, and should be a focus of yours.

Personally, I'm the father of 3 kids currently attending public elementary and middle schools in Kentfield and I've served for several years as a director on the Kent Woodlands Home Owners Association where we represent over 1,000 local residents on topics such as fire mitigation efforts, evacuation planning, and much more (although I'm writing this as a private citizen). I'm also a Sierra Club member.

I care immensely about this community and would like you to do whatever possible to plan for a future where diminishing predictability of natural water supply is becoming a reality.

Again, I urge the directors to quickly convene another board meeting to VOTE on placing Measure S repeal on the June 7 ballot.

Thank you! Jeff Leh

From: Hilary Hyde <hfhmvca@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 1, 2022 5:48 PM

To: Board Comment

Subject: Meas S

<u>Take action now!</u> Convene another board meeting ASAP to VOTE on placing Measure S repeal on the June 7 ballot.

Thank you

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Hilary F. Hyde (415) 215-1623

From: rdmishel@gmail.com

Sent: Tuesday, March 1, 2022 9:09 PM

To: Board Comment **Subject:** Ballot Measure

Please vote to put the repeal of 418 on the June Ballot. I understand your staff thinks this will save a lot of time and money if this is repealed and you eventually decide to use desal. We need flexibility and speed on addressing water shortage.

David Mishel, Mill Valley

From: Steve Isaacs <shisaacs@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 1, 2022 12:20 PM

To: Board Comment

Subject: Desal on the June Ballot

To the MMWD Board:

Stop delaying. Stop procrastinating. Put a ballot measure on the June ballot to repeal Ordinance 418.

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All the Best and Stay Safe,

Steve

From: jeraldyoungmd@comcast.net

Sent: Tuesday, March 1, 2022 2:45 PM

To: Board Comment **Subject:** Measure S

Please place measure S on the June ballot. Desal certainly is a strong contender as the choice to provide a safe and reliable source of water for Marin. The time saved by giving the voters a chance to approve this measure can help prevent the water crisis we narrowly averted this year

Jerald Young, MD 565 Via Casitas #11 Greenbrae

Sent from my iPad

From: Steven Stein <smstein@sbcglobal.net>

Sent: Tuesday, March 1, 2022 2:31 PM

To: Board Comment
Cc: info@costmarin.org

Subject: Measure S

A majority of Marin County voters might well believe that Measure S (Ordinance 148) no longer expresses the best approach to dealing with the desal question. While you may have it in your power to delay that issue from reaching the ballot on June 7, indulging in that sort of gamesmanship is unworthy.

It is one thing to say that it is not proven that 'desal is idea whose time has come'. It is quite another to say find cute ways of preventing the matter from being considered. One approach is honorable; the other is not. Is it naïve to trust you to do the honorable thing?

Yours,

Steve Stein

From: Claire Halenbeck <claire@rma.studio>
Sent: Tuesday, March 1, 2022 9:09 AM

To: Board Comment

Subject: Please vote yes to place Measure S repeal on June ballot

Dear MMWD Directors:

Please VOTE to place Measure S Repeal on the June Ballot.

We need all options for water security on the table no matter how controversial or costly they are. I don't support desalination in particular but we MUST create a 3 to 4 year supply rather than relying on our 2 year supply capacity which has proven to be woefully insufficient in these times of drought. I live in San Rafael and we are creating 3,500 new housing units over the next few years and sufficient water supply is critical to support housing growth which is sorely needed. Given that many of the options will take years to accomplish, we need to start NOW and ALL OPTIONS must be available to us.

Sincerely, Claire Halenbeck San Rafael



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From: Carsten Andersen <c2flylow@gmail.com>

Sent: Tuesday, March 1, 2022 8:20 AM

To: Board Comment

Subject: MMWD needs to place Measure S repeal on the June 7 ballot

MMWD's Board of Directors needs to convene another board meeting quickly to VOTE on placing Measure S on the June 7 ballot.

All options need to be available to the citizen's of Marin.

The board have had extensive and expensive studies done, the last 250 page report was in 2017.

All there options, costs and timelines are in that report.

The Board has had YEARS to come up with sustainable water supply solutions, other than Conservation, which the citizens of Marin has done and will continue to do.

Act now!

Carsten Andersen 22 Chapel Cove Drive San Rafael, Ca 94901

From: Anne Wagner <awagner132@gmail.com>

Sent: Tuesday, March 1, 2022 8:11 AM

To: Board Comment
Cc: info@costmarin.org
Subject: Repeal Measure S

Vote to repeal this measure that does not require you to consider ALL INITIATIVES to solve the current threat to our community!!!

From: Carol Sheerin <carolsmisc@sbcglobal.net>

Sent: Tuesday, March 1, 2022 8:10 AM

To: Board Comment

Subject: Place the Measure S Repeal on the June ballot NOW!

it's important to let voters decide in June whether to repeal Measure S. A voter approved rollback of Measure S would save time and money if desalination should turn out to be an important contributor to near or long term water sufficiency. We believe that a portfolio of approaches is vital to establishing water security for those who depend on MMWD.

As the staff report points out, repealing Measure S would "ensure temporary emergency desalination could be considered a viable drought relief measure." Further, if expert analysis deems that desal should be a component of a long term solution for water sufficiency, repealing Measure S would allow desalination to move forward without further delay. Failing to place the Measure S repeal on the June 7, 2021 ballot could ultimately cost 6-18 months, as good practice is to place important measures on a statewide general election ballot. The alternative, holding a special election just to repeal Measure S, would cost MMWD ratepayers as much as \$2.3 million per the staff report (PDF pages 124-125).

MMWD's professional management has made clear the benefits of repealing Measure S. It is imperative that MMWD's Directors not block or slow walk consideration of *any* water supply options.

Sent from my iPad, Carol Sheerin San Rafael 94903

From: Evan Jane Kriss <samesamejane@gmail.com>

Sent: Tuesday, March 1, 2022 1:17 PM

To: Board Comment Cc: info@costmarin.org

Subject: Put REPEAL Measure S/Ordinance No. 418 on the June Ballot

As a member of COST (Coalition of Sensible Taxpayers), I agree with their advice to put the REPEAL MEASURE S/Ordinance No. 418 on the June ballot, for the reasons outlined below.

The <u>staff report on agenda item 10</u> lays out the many benefits of acting quickly on repealing <u>Measure S</u> (aka Ordinance No. 418). The staff report makes clear that only a few days remain for the board to vote YES if they wish to place the repeal measure on the June ballot. But "our" Directors appear to be running out the clock in an election year so as not to deal with a potentially controversial matter: Measure S currently constrains MMWD from moving forward with desalination. MMWD Directors elected to have agenda item 10 considered as an "informational item" only, thereby precluding them from voting on this matter at a regular board meeting in time to actually place a Measure S repeal on the <u>June 7</u>, <u>2022</u> election ballot.

The Coalition of Sensible Taxpayers isn't advocating for or against desal per se. A disciplined analysis of all the options must be completed first. But we do believe it's important to let voters decide in June whether to repeal Measure S. A voter approved rollback of Measure S would save time and money if desalination should turn out to be an important contributor to near or long term water sufficiency. We believe that a portfolio of approaches is vital to establishing water security for those who depend on MMWD.

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Thank you for your consideration.

Evan Jane Kriss Lorna Kriss 26 Cloud View Road Sausalito CA 94965

Sent from my iPhone

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From: DORSEY MC TAGGART <dorseymct@comcast.net>

Sent: Tuesday, March 1, 2022 8:07 AM

To: Board Comment

Subject: Fwd: another Board meeting

TO MMWD BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

As a member of MMWD in Corte Madera I urge this Board to call another meeting to effect placing on the June ballot the repeal of Measure S.

Dorsey McTaggart

From: jill@bellabonbon.com

Sent: Wednesday, March 2, 2022 9:23 AM

To: Board Comment Cc: info@costmarin.org

Subject: Measure S

To whom this may concern;

It is imperative that the MMWD's Directors quickly convene another board meeting to VOTE on placing Measure S repeal on the June 7 ballot.

Jill Mosher

jill@bellabonbon.com