

**From:** [Ann Sheree Greenbaum](#)  
**To:** [Board Comment](#)  
**Subject:** Nicasio Reservoir  
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To whom it should concern,

I am writing to implore you to please withdraw the current proposal to increase the height of the dam on the Nicasio Reservoir with an inflatable rubber gate. The proposal as presented appears to be missing, overlooking, or downplaying some critical considerations. These include a State Department of Dam Safety Review, a catastrophic study, an operations plan, consideration of the fate of Coho Salmon, the ongoing fire hazard of unmaintained plant species such as broom, severe increased flooding in Nicasio, potential flooding in Point Reyes Station if there is a breach. Among other considerations is the fact that the evaporation rate of the body of water would increase with the increased surface area of this shallow body of water.

Please present an to date vision that is supported by modern day technologies and assessments along with the local communities that will be affected rather than relying on a similar proposal offered in 1980 which failed acceptance. Perhaps a different location for increasing water containment would be wise, especially since this body of water does not serve our local communities.

Thank you for considering these concerns. Please do the right thing and withdraw this proposal.

Sincerely,  
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## Opposition to Nicasio Reservoir Dam Proposal

To Marin Municipal Water District :

I urge you to withdraw the proposal to raise the Nicasio Reservoir dam with an inflatable rubber gate. As a resident of downtown Point Reyes Station, I am deeply concerned about the risks this project poses to our environment, waterways, and communities.

The proposal lacks essential elements: a current dam safety review, a catastrophic failure plan, updated operations and emergency protocols, and meaningful environmental analysis—particularly regarding endangered Coho salmon. It also fails to address the increased fire risk from unmanaged vegetation like broom, the likelihood of flooding in Nicasio, and potential downstream impacts in Point Reyes Station in the event of a breach.

I'm especially concerned that MMWD has not consistently maintained local creeks as required, increasing flood risks. If basic responsibilities have gone unmet, how can we trust the District to manage the long-term demands of this much larger project?

This plan, originally from the 1980s, is outdated. We need a modern, community-informed water strategy—not one that relies on a flawed past proposal. Perhaps water storage should be expanded elsewhere, especially since Nicasio Reservoir doesn't serve our local West Marin communities.

Thank you for considering these concerns. Please withdraw the proposal.

Sincerely,  
Pamela Bridges  
Point Reyes Station, CA