

**From:** [Marjie Shank](#)  
**To:** [Board Comment](#)  
**Subject:** Repeal Measure S on June 7th  
**Date:** Wednesday, March 2, 2022 4:57:37 PM

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Please stop giving yourselves raises and benefits and not taking care of your rate payers of which I am one.

Sincerely,  
Marjie Shank,  
Mill Valley, CA

## Phone Message

1. 3/3/2022 (11:02 a.m.) – Anonymous

The board should issue a bond for both the intertie project and a desalination plant.

**From:** [Rick Barham](#)  
**To:** [Board Comment](#)  
**Cc:** [info@costmarin.org](mailto:info@costmarin.org)  
**Subject:** Please put measure S on the June 7 ballot  
**Date:** Thursday, March 3, 2022 8:26:41 AM

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MMWD,

I penned the following note to the MarinIJ on 10/30/2021. We don't know what you're waiting for. Stop thinking short-term. Please put measure S on the June 7 ballot. Doing nothing is not an option, and doing another study is doing nothing. Marin is watching.

Rick Barham

### **Shared desalination plant a good solution**

We should not look at last week's storm and the rain it brought as "catching a break." However, with short-term pressure on our water supply lessening, I hope that Marin Municipal Water District leaders consider longer-term thinking.

This is the right time to consider a desalination plant with less salt and shared cost.

Marin water officials should consider the freshwater from the Sacramento-San Joaquin River Delta. It is flushing our bay every day from the Carquinez Strait. MMWD should consider taking the lead on a shared desalination plant on Mare Island or somewhere near Crockett. Water there is a brackish mix of fresh and saltwater. There is less salt to remove than the waters near Marin. Since that water is already a mix, those concerned about too much salt moving up the strait or not enough fresh water flushing the bay should be satisfied.

Marin, Sonoma, Napa, Solano and Contra Costa counties would look foolish to ignore the shared cost of a desal plant. After Marin, those other four counties would be first in line to request a pipeline to their water supply.

The Bay Area could consider a shared desal plant as a "space station" for water.

There are many advantages to five counties all sharing in the cost of building, maintaining and distributing water.

With a project like that Marin Municipal Water District officials could be heroes.

If it's a 10-year project, they should start now. We're watching.

— Rick **Barham**, San Anselmo

Regards,  
Rick Barham  
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**From:** [Jan Stephens](#)  
**To:** [Board Comment](#)  
**Subject:** Water problem  
**Date:** Saturday, March 5, 2022 3:26:07 PM

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**STOP doing nothing and get more water storage for Marin County.**

**It is time to fix the water shortage in Marin County, actually it is past time!**

**STOP SITTING ON YOUR LAURELS AND GET TO WORK! ! !**

**Jan Stephens  
San Rafael, CA**

**From:** [Max Shapiro](#)  
**To:** [Board Comment](#)  
**Cc:** [info@costmarin.org](mailto:info@costmarin.org)  
**Subject:** Please act now  
**Date:** Sunday, March 6, 2022 3:50:36 PM  
**Attachments:** [image002.png](#)

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It would be wonderful if you would convene a board meeting to vote on placing the repeal of Measure S on the June 7 ballot. Now is the time to act! Please!

Best,



Max Shapiro  
CEO of PeopleConnect

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Larry Russell, President  
Marin Water Board  
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Corte Madera, CA 94925

**MMWD**

Dear Mr. Russell and all Board Members,

Subject: Desalination

We are between a rock and a hard place. Where do we go to look for water when most of California is hurting as well as most areas west of the Rockies? Attempting to import water from other areas won't be tolerated very well by the residents there. If one thinks clearly for a while the only conclusion one can come up with is DESALINATION.

I'm a retired engineer who moved to Marin from San Diego 4 months ago to live near my sister in my old age. In San Diego we have a desalination plant that supplies 5% of the county's needs. That plant in Marin would be able to supply a much larger percentage of the county's needs. The saltier water discharge into the ocean was distributed widely to reduce its impact. Climate change is here permanently and it's not going away.

As I have read in the IJ recently, this measure S must first be voted down if we are to get anywhere. Education of the voters to the facts would have to be done first of course. Once a decision is made to build a plant (at the ocean not the bay unless it's close to the Golden Gate) it will take at least 5 years before the fresh water flows. So from today, in my opinion we're looking at 6 years minimum.

I urge you all to get busy and stop surveying and studying.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Robert Keck". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Robert" and last name "Keck" clearly distinguishable.

Robert Keck