



**FINAL PROGRAM ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT  
RESPONSE TO COMMENTS**

**SCH # 2008052006**

# **WSMP 2040**

**WATER SUPPLY MANAGEMENT PROGRAM 2040**



**EAST BAY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT**

**OCTOBER 2009**



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From: Friends of the River on behalf of Alexander Gagui ne  
Sent: Tue 3/17/2009 10:13 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Mar 18, 2009

Mr. Thomas Francis  
375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

Dear Mr. Francis,

Please do not enlarge the Pardee and Lower Bear reservoirs downing a segment of the Mokelumne River.

Highway 49 is one of the most beautiful roads in California. One of its charms - and one of its most educational aspects - is the many intriguing canyons that the road passes in and out of. And at the bottom of these canyons there always used to be a beautiful river. People from all over the state and the world would slow way down or stop and get out to look at the wonder and beauty of the rivers of the Sierra Nevada flowing out to the valley. It was a free and magnificent gift to people who may never even have given any thought to the geography and hydrology of our home. It was an important way people learned where they lived.

One by one those beautiful river crossings have disappeared - the Merced at Bagby, the Stanislaus at Melones, the Tuolumne at Jacksonville. Visitors can come to the foothills and not even know there are such things as rivers.

The Mokelumne at Highway 49 would be one more such loss. Please don't take it away.

Please revise the Plan to eliminate the Pardee and Lower Bear Reservoir enlargements. The Plan should focus on increased conservation, recycling, and drought year rationing instead.

Sincerely,

Mr. Alexander Gagui ne  
220 Laguna St  
Santa Cruz, CA 95060-6108

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## Alexander Gaguine (AGag)

- AGag-1. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir and Enlarge Lower Bear Reservoir components of the WSMP 2040.
- AGag-2. Impacts on view from State Route 49 are described in Impact 5.2.I-1 of the Draft PEIR and are characterized potentially significant. Visual impacts will be fully examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component.
- AGag-3. EBMUD recognizes the value of water conservation, recycling and rationing, and has included them as components in the Preferred Portfolio. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040.

From: rollingapples@gmail.com [mailto:rollingapples@gmail.com]  
Sent: Thursday, April 23, 2009 3:56 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Please drop plans to expand Pardee Reservoir

Dear East Bay MUD and local officials:

I am grateful that the board and concerned citizens are extensively discussing this important issue of building a new dam. I believe it is critical to exchange ideas and to think outside of the box. We need to examine the much bigger and longer term issue of water usage and future needs. Building another dam would be like applying a band aid to a problem that in the long run will not meet a dramatically rapid growing population. I urge you to drop your plans to build a new Pardee Dam and expand Pardee Reservoir as part of the EBMUD 2040 water plan.

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With the extensive and rapid melting of our glaciers and the consequence of the raising level of our ocean, why not put all this money into a desalination plant right where the water is needed without destroying miles of river. Enforcing conservation and better use of our water would also make a dramatic difference in wasteful habits. There are other creative solutions to this problem. Let's not be short sighted and rush into a plan will not solve the issue in the long run. This Pardee Dam plan will provide relatively little new water, and harm miles of the Mokelumne River.

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Enlarging Pardee will drown a part of the Mokelumne popular for kayaking and fishing, submerge or require removal of the historic Middle Bar Bridge and river access facilities, inundate important cultural resources, require construction of a new Highway 49 bridge, and seasonally inundate nearly a mile of river proposed for National Wild and Scenic River designation by the Bureau of Land Management.

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Enlarging Pardee will destroy decades of work and investment by public agencies and local residents to improve recreational use of the Mokelumne River, thwarting local efforts to use the river for economic development.

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Creating dead-end roads approaching the river will cut off a critical fire evacuation route for residents of Middle Bar and Gwin Mine roads.

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There is no reason to destroy more miles of a popular river used by locals and visitors alike and its fish habitat. You can avoid the environmental, social and economic cost by using your water supplies, including the new American River water supply, more efficiently.

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Please leave these miles of the Mokelumne a river for future generations.



alice giuliani  
2681 mason road  
Mokelumne Hill, CA 95245

## Alice Giuliani (AGiu)

AGiu-1. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040 and general opposition to expanded reservoirs and new dams as a water supply solution.

The alternative development process included an in-depth evaluation of over 50 components and a range of portfolios before the Board selected the Preferred Portfolio. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives.

AGiu-2. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's support for desalination in the San Francisco Bay Area. EBMUD also supports increased water conservation and has included a high level of conservation in the WSMP 2040. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives. Please see response Form Letter 2-2.

AGiu-3. Please see response Form Letter 3-2.

AGiu-4. Please see response Form Letter 3-3.

AGiu-5. Please see response Form Letter 2-5.

AGiu-6. Please see response Form Letter 2-6.

From: Ann Haruki -Pinedo [mailto:ann@pinedo.net]  
Sent: Tuesday, April 07, 2009 12:04 AM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject:

We support continuing the current fee structure and not adding to it.  
1139  
Garden Lane Lafayette, Ca 94549



**Ann Haruki-Pinedo (AHa)**

AHa-1. Comment acknowledged. Please see the response to SCSFB2-17 for a discussion of EBMUD's rate pricing structure.

From: Addie Jacobson [mailto:addiej@gmail.com]  
Sent: Tuesday, March 17, 2009 9:28 AM  
To: Dianne and Ron  
Cc: Francis, Thomas; chris@foothillconservancy.org; sph@volcano.net; merita9@comcast.net; Alice Trinkl; Bunny Firebaugh; John Trinkl; Susan Robinson; Susan Shoaff  
Subject: Re: PARDEE RESEVOIR ENLARGEMENT

Thanks, Ron.

Great letter.

By the way, I attended the public meeting in Sutter Creek last night. Pretty powerful. Many participants asked for a public meeting in Calaveras and promised there would be a huge turnout. So-- if that happens -- I hope we can help produce that big turnout.

Addie

On Mon, Mar 16, 2009 at 2:39 PM, Dianne and Ron <[dianneandron@earthlink.net](mailto:dianneandron@earthlink.net)> wrote:

March 16, 2009

EBMUD Water Supply Improvements Division  
Oakland, CA 94607

Dear Mr. Francis:

I oppose the Pardee Reservoir enlargement proposed in EBMUD's Water Supply Management Plan and Programmatic Environmental Impact Report. The justification for increasing Pardee's water storage capacity is specious, shortsighted and, in the broad perspective, not cost effective.

Natural resources are not limitless, even if they are renewable. The Mokelumne River's capacity to provide water must be determined relevant to all of its users and subsequent ramifications. The era of dam building and/or expansion is archaic, especially when taking into consideration the total dollar cost, the cost to the environment, ecosystem, the cost to the local economy, the cost of destroying river usage, the cost of destroying historical/cultural heritage, to name a few.

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## Addie Jacobson (AJa)

AJa-1. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's support for the comments submitted by Ron Szymanski.

AJa-2. Please see responses RS-1 through RS-3.

From: mcwil dside@hotmail .com [mai l to: mcwi l dsi de@hotmail .com]  
Sent: Wednesday, March 25, 2009 8:42 AM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Please drop plans to expand Pardee Reservoir

Dear East Bay MUD and local officials:

Please don't drown the Mokelumne with the Pardee Dam expansion. My family has spent so many special days floating on the river and picnicing on the shores. This is such a beautiful part of the area - it would be wrong to lose that for excess water storage. When I hear of all the expense involved and that the current dam loses water and the current lake could be dredged to add capacity - I am surprised this issue is even on the table. Please leave the Mokelumne for future generations and find a more reasonable and cost effective way to store water.  
Thank you,  
Anna & Jay McGuire

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I urge you to drop your plans to build a new Pardee Dam and expand Pardee Reservoir as part of the EBMUD 2040 water plan.

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\* A new dam will be too expensive for EBMUD ratepayers, provide relatively little new water, and harm miles of the Mokelumne River.

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\* Enlarging Pardee will drown a part of the Mokelumne popular for kayaking and fishing, submerge or require removal of the historic Middle Bar Bridge and river access facilities, inundate cultural resources, require construction of a new Highway 49 bridge, and seasonally inundate nearly a mile of river proposed for National Wild and Scenic River designation by the Bureau of Land Management.

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\* Enlarging Pardee will destroy decades of work and investment by public agencies and local residents to improve recreational use of the Mokelumne River, thwarting local efforts to use the river for economic development.

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\* Creating dead-end roads approaching the river will cut off a critical fire evacuation route for residents of Middle Bar and Gwin Mine roads.

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\* There is no reason to destroy more miles of a popular river used by locals and visitors alike and its fish habitat. You can avoid the environmental, social and economic cost by using your water supplies, including the new American River water supply, more efficiently.

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Please leave these miles of the Mokelumne a river for future generations.



Jay McGuire  
PO BOX 5205  
Bear Valley, C 95223

## Anna & Jay McGuire 2 - Responses to Comment Letter #2 - 3/25/09 (AMcG2)

AMcG2-1. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040. EBMUD recognizes the many recreational opportunities provided by the Mokelumne River. Impacts to recreation will be thoroughly examined in the project-level EIR for this component, when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning. The project-level EIR will also identify specific mitigation measures to reduce significant impacts. Please see the Master Response on the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component.

AMcG2-2. Please see response Form Letter 2-1.

AMcG2-3. Please see response Form Letter 2-2.

AMcG2-4. Please see response Form Letter 2-3.

AMcG2-5. Please see response Form Letter 2-4.

AMcG2-6. Please see response Form Letter 2-5.

AMcG2-7. Please see response Form Letter 2-6.

From: Friends of the River on behalf of Alec Plauche  
Sent: Sat 4/11/2009 9:44 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Conservation: Cheaper and longer lasting than Dams

Apr 11, 2009

Mr. Thomas Francis  
375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

Dear Mr. Francis,

Please do not enlarge the Pardee and Lower Bear reservoirs drowning a segment of the Mokelumne River.

As an urban resident, the concept of large impact construction projects in far-away wilderness so that we may wash my car in the street is APPALLING. Please consider the following:  
EBMUD can easily meet its future water needs without enlarging the

Pardee or Lower Bear Reservoirs solely through conservation. Education, incentives, greywater legalization, and if needed enforcement are but a few conservation methods to reduce our WATER BURDEN.

EBMUD's proposed Water Supply Management Plan is a poor investment with diminishing returns, if the demand is not capped but all the rivers are, shall we pay for desalination? Dollar for dollar, conservation is far more effective and EVERLASTING both for EBMUD and the consumers.

Also, Conservation also has immediate returns as the water demand could drop tomorrow with simple education and incentives.

In addition, the Plan substantially underestimates the amount of water that could be produced by reasonable and achievable increases in water conservation, recycling, groundwater storage, and increased rationing during drought years. Feel free to visit me in my rental house to see how much I conserve with \$0 invested and zero incentives. Bring your bucket!

Please revise the Plan to eliminate the Pardee and Lower Bear Reservoir enlargements. The Plan should focus on increased conservation, recycling, and drought year rationing instead.

Sincerely,

Mr. Alec Plauche  
1216 66th St

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Berkeley, CA 94702-2616

## Alec Plauche 1 - Responses to Comment Letter #1 - 4/11/09 (API1)

API1-1. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040 and general opposition to expanded reservoirs and new dams as a water supply solution.

API1-2. The District acknowledges the commenter's support for water conservation and other soft path projects, as well as the commenter's opposition to expanded reservoirs and new dams. As stated in the Master Response on the WSMP 2040, the District is committed to implementing high levels of water conservation and recycling.

To implement Conservation Level E and gain the additional 2 MGD in water savings, the cost (total present value) to EBMUD was modeled at approximately \$120 million. The total difference in cost between Levels D and E, which includes both costs to the District and costs to the customer, would be approximately \$260 million.

Conservation Level D was selected for inclusion in the Preferred Portfolio because it establishes an aggressive conservation goal that is greater than the District's current level of investment and it ensures that the District will continue to be a leader in the demand management aspects of future water supply planning. This effort by EBMUD will continue to include education and outreach to encourage conservation.

Please also see Response SCSFB2-7 for a description of EBMUD water conservation pricing.

API1-3. Please see the Master Response on the Demand Study for a discussion of demand assumptions and projections, and see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of analyses conducted on Preferred Portfolio components. As noted in the Draft PEIR and Response ACHS-3, EBMUD has decided to move forward with aggressive demand management.

API1-4. EBMUD recognizes the value of water conservation, recycling and rationing, and has included them as components in the Preferred Portfolio. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040.

PLEASE DO NOT ENLARGE THE PARDEE AND LOWER BEAR RESERVOIRS DROWNING A SEGMENT OF THE MOKELUMNE RIVER. AS AN EBMUD CUSTOMER AND URBAN RESIDENT, THE CONCEPT OF LARGE IMPACT CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS IN FAR-AWAY WILDERNESS SO THAT WE MAY WASH MY CAR IN THE STREET IS APPALLING. PLEASE CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING: EBMUD CAN EASILY MEET ITS FUTURE WATER NEEDS WITHOUT ENLARGING THE PARDEE OR LOWER BEAR RESERVOIRS SOLELY THROUGH CONSERVATION. EDUCATION, INCENTIVES, GREYWATER LEGALIZATION, AND IF NEEDED ENFORCEMENT ARE BUT A FEW CONSERVATION METHODS TO REDUCE OUR WATER BURDEN. EBMUD'S PROPOSED WATER SUPPLY MANAGEMENT PLAN IS A POOR INVESTMENT WITH DIMINISHING RETURNS, IF THE DEMAND IS NOT CAPPED BUT ALL THE RIVERS ARE, SHALL WE PAY FOR DESALINATION? DOLLAR FOR DOLLAR, CONSERVATION IS FAR MORE EFFECTIVE AND EVERLASTING BOTH FOR EBMUD AND THE CONSUMERS. ALSO, CONSERVATION ALSO HAS IMMEDIATE RETURNS AS THE WATER DEMAND COULD DROP TOMORROW WITH SIMPLE EDUCATION AND INCENTIVES. IN ADDITION, THE PLAN SUBSTANTIALLY UNDERESTIMATES THE AMOUNT OF WATER THAT COULD BE PRODUCED BY REASONABLE AND ACHIEVABLE INCREASES IN WATER CONSERVATION, RECYCLING, GROUNDWATER STORAGE, AND INCREASED RATIONING DURING DROUGHT YEARS. FEEL FREE TO VISIT ME IN MY RENTAL HOUSE TO SEE HOW MUCH I CONSERVE WITH \$0 INVESTED AND ZERO INCENTIVES. BRING YOUR BUCKET! PLEASE REVISE THE PLAN TO ELIMINATE THE PARDEE AND LOWER BEAR RESERVOIR ENLARGEMENTS. THE PLAN SHOULD FOCUS ON INCREASED CONSERVATION, RECYCLING, AND DROUGHT YEAR RATIONING INSTEAD. SINCERELY,  
ALEC PLAUCHÃ  
1216 66TH ST.  
BERKELEY, CA 94702

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## **Alec Plauche 2 - Responses to Comment Letter #2 - 4/13/09 (API2)**

API2-1. Please see response to AP1-1.

API2-2. Please see response to AP1-2.

API2-3. Please see response to AP1-3.

API2-4. Please see response to AP1-4.

From: andrew@prdei.com [mailto:andrew@prdei.com]  
Sent: Tuesday, March 10, 2009 2:55 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Please drop plans to expand Pardee Reservoir

Dear East Bay MUD and local officials:  
I am a regular and avid user of the Mokelumne River for recreational purposes. I agree wholeheartedly with the following:

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I urge you to drop your plans to build a new Pardee Dam and expand Pardee Reservoir as part of the EBMUD 2040 water plan.

\* A new dam will be too expensive for EBMUD ratepayers, provide relatively little new water, and harm miles of the Mokelumne River.

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\* Enlarging Pardee will drown a part of the Mokelumne popular for kayaking and fishing, submerge or require removal of the historic Middle Bar Bridge and river access facilities, inundate cultural resources, require construction of a new Highway 49 bridge, and seasonally inundate nearly a mile of river proposed for National Wild and Scenic River designation by the Bureau of Land Management.

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\* Enlarging Pardee will destroy decades of work and investment by public agencies and local residents to improve recreational use of the Mokelumne River, thwarting local efforts to use the river for economic development.

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\* Creating dead-end roads approaching the river will cut off a critical fire evacuation route for residents of Middle Bar and Gwin Mine roads.

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\* There is no reason to destroy more miles of a popular river and its fish habitat. You can avoid the environmental, social and economic cost by using your water supplies, including the new American River water supply, more efficiently.

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Please leave these miles of the Mokelumne a river for future generations.

Andrew Ryan  
PO Box 954  
Crystal Bay, NV 89402

**Andrew Ryan (ARy)**

- ARy-1. EBMUD recognizes the many recreational opportunities provided by the Mokelumne River. Impacts to recreation will be thoroughly examined in the project-level EIR for this component, when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning. The project-level EIR will also identify specific mitigation measures to reduce significant impacts. Please see response Form Letter 2-1.
- ARy-2. Please see response Form Letter 2-2.
- ARy-3. Please see response Form Letter 2-3.
- ARy-4. Please see response Form Letter 2-4.
- ARy-5. Please see response Form Letter 2-5.
- ARy-6. Please see response Form Letter 2-6.

Dear Mr. Berg,

I live part time in Dorrington, which is within close proximity to the Mokelumne River. My husband moved to the area for it's recreational opportunities among other desirable characteristics.

I understand that EBMUD's proposed Water Supply Management Plan includes plans to enlarge the Pardee Reservoir will drown a part of the Mokelumne River which currently provides moderate rapids for kayaking and rafting in small boats. When I first began rafting, we ran the Electra Run on the Mokelumne on a number of occasions. It is a great stretch of river with moderate rapids and relatively easy access, both of which make it good river on which to learn. There are no comparable rivers nearby. I also understand that the river is proposed for National Wild and Scenic River designation by the Bureau of Land Management. As such, it should be protected, not inundated.

Any proposal that would destroy river access facilities and seasonally inundate part of the Mokelumne would have a significant impact on my and others' recreational opportunities in the area and should be modified or rejected.

Regards - Agata

**Agata A. Sulczynski**  
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Dorrington, California 95223  
209 795-6497 tel.  
209 795-6777 facsimile  
415 516-4972 mobile  
[agatasul@earthlink.net](mailto:agatasul@earthlink.net)

**Agata A. Sulczynski (ASu)**

ASu-1. EBMUD recognizes the many recreational opportunities provided by the Mokelumne River. Please see response BLM-1 for a discussion of the proposed Wild and Scenic River designation for the North Fork/Main Mokelumne River. At this stage, there is no certainty regarding the potential impacts of the Raise Pardee portfolio component. At the project level, EBMUD will examine a broad range of configurations and the potential impacts and possible means of mitigating impacts to recreational uses, the Mokelumne River, and other resource areas. Please see the Master Responses on Program-level EIR analysis and the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component.

-----Original Message-----

From: Alice Trinkl [mailto:atrinkl@igc.org]  
Sent: Monday, March 16, 2009 5:13 PM  
To: Dianne and Ron; Francis, Thomas  
Cc: chris@foothillconservancy.org; sph@volcano.net; merita9@comcast.net;  
'Addie Jacobson'; Alice Trinkl; Bunny Firebaugh; John Trinkl; Susan  
Robinson; Susan Shoaff  
Subject: Re: PARDEE RESEVOIR ENLARGEMENT

WAY TO GO RONZ!!!!!! That is one terrific letter. Thank you for sending it. GREAT job. Alice

-----Original Message-----

>From: Dianne and Ron <dianneandron@earthlink.net>  
>Sent: Mar 16, 2009 5:39 PM  
>To: Tfrancis@ebmud.com  
>Cc: chris@foothillconservancy.org, sph@volcano.net,  
merita9@comcast.net, 'Addie Jacobson' <addiej@gmail.com>, Alice Trinkl  
<atrinkl@igc.org>, Bunny Firebaugh <lovetheforest@goldrush.com>, John  
Trinkl <jtrinkl@igc.org>, Susan Robinson <srmw@comcast.net>, Susan  
Shoaff <sustenancebooks@yahoo.com>  
>Subject: PARDEE RESEVOIR ENLARGEMENT

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>March 16, 2009

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>EBMUD Water Supply Improvements Division  
>Oakland, CA 94607

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>Dear Mr. Francis:

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>I oppose the Pardee Reservoir enlargement proposed in EBMUD's Water  
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>Management Plan and Programmatic Environmental Impact Report. The  
>justification for increasing Pardee's water storage capacity is  
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>historical/cultural heritage, to name a few.  
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>Now is the time to put the effort into fostering conservation habits,  
>processing and recycling waste water, and being honest that rationing  
>regimens will probably become a way of life. The old way of doing  
business  
>is obsolete. That is, you can no longer just go out and find and  
harness  
>new rivers or destroy more of a watershed by increasing dam height.  
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>route is pretty much exhausted, and the utilization and destruction of  
>resources for the benefit of the few, and profit for even the fewer, is  
no  
>longer acceptable.  
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>I also feel that Mr. Hardy's concern that "they (opponents) are missing  
the  
>timing element", as quoted in the Calaveras Enterprise of March 13,  
2009, is  
>irrelevant. The issue is whether the dam's enlargement is the best  
>application of the Mokelumne River watershed's resources, now or any  
time.  
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>Thank you for allowing me to express my concerns.  
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>Sincerely,  
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>Ron Szymanski  
>Hathaway Pines, CA  
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Alice Trinkl

**Alice Trinkl (ATr)**

ATr-1. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's support for the comments submitted by Ron Szymanski. Please see responses RS-1 through RS-3.



From: Friends of the River on behalf of Arlene Wong  
Sent: Sat 3/21/2009 4:52 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam help us conserve instead

Mar 21, 2009

Mr. Thomas Francis  
375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

Dear Mr. Francis,

Please do not enlarge the Pardee and Lower Bear reservoirs drowning a segment of the Mokelumne River.

I believe that EBMUD can easily meet its future water needs without enlarging the Pardee or Lower Bear Reservoirs. EBMUD's proposed Water Supply Management Plan is significantly overestimating future demand. In addition, the Plan substantially underestimates the amount of water that could be produced by reasonable and achievable increases in water conservation, recycling, groundwater storage, and increased rationing during drought years.

The Pardee reservoir enlargement will drown a segment of the Mokelumne River recommended by the BLM for wild and scenic river protection. This section is also popular for kayaking and fishing. The Pardee enlargement would destroy the recently renovated Middle Bar Bridge and other existing and proposed public access facilities, as well as require the costly relocation of the Hwy 49 bridge.

The Lower Bear reservoir enlargement could alter Mokelumne River flows that have been improved to benefit fish, wildlife, and recreation. These improved flows took years to negotiate as part of PG&E's federal hydroelectric license. EBMUD's proposed reservoir enlargements will thwart the decades of work that have gone into making the Mokelumne a more viable recreation resource that will economically benefit foothill communities.

Rather than spend millions for unnecessary storage and causing irreversible damage to the environment, invest in conservation and recycling. For example, why not invest in smarter water meters that would allow every family (or business) to better monitor their water use in real time and thereby achieve greater conservation.

Please revise the Plan to eliminate the Pardee and Lower Bear Reservoir enlargements. The Plan should focus on increased conservation, recycling, and drought year rationing instead.

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Sincerely,

Ms. Arlene Wong  
457 Millfield Pl  
Moraga, CA 94556-2512

## Arlene Wong (AWo)

- AWo-1. Please see response Form Letter 3-1.
- AWo-2. Please see response Form Letter 3-2.
- AWo-3. Please see response Form Letter 3-3.
- AWo-4. EBMUD supports increased water conservation and recycled water and has included a high level of conservation and recycled water in the WSMP 2040. The alternative development process included an in-depth evaluation of over 50 components and a range of portfolios before the Board selected the Preferred Portfolio. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives.
- AWo-5. Conservation Level D was selected for inclusion in the Preferred Portfolio because it establishes an aggressive conservation goal that is greater than the District's current level of investment and it ensures that the District will continue to be a leader in the demand management aspects of future water supply planning. Conservation Level D includes water surveys and use of Automatic Metering System (AMS) to help identify (to the customer and to EBMUD) leakage and excessive use. Conservation Level D also includes conservation measures to require developers to provide the latest state of the art SMART irrigation controllers and rain sensors. Please see the Conservation Program Evaluation - Summary of Data Inputs, Assumptions and Results Memo (March 19, 2009) for additional detail on conservation measures include in the WSMP 2040. This evaluation can be found on the EBMUD website at:
- AWo-6. [http://www.ebmud.com/water\\_&\\_environment/water\\_supply/water\\_supply\\_management\\_program/Conservation\\_Memo.pdf](http://www.ebmud.com/water_&_environment/water_supply/water_supply_management_program/Conservation_Memo.pdf)
- AWo-7. Please see response Form Letter 3-3.

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf Of Ariel Zucker  
Sent: Monday, May 04, 2009 11:11 AM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Please Don't raise Pardee Dam

May 4, 2009

Mr. Thomas Francis  
375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

Dear Mr. Francis,

Please do not enlarge the Pardee and Lower Bear reservoirs drowning a segment of the Mokelumne River.

I think that raising the Pardee Dam is a needless and expensive move. I believe that the Bay Area can save enough water through water conservation, recycling, groundwater storage, and increased rationing during drought years to make such increases in water storage capacity unnecessary. I also believe that EBMUD's proposed Water Supply Management Plan is significantly overestimating future demand.

The enlarged Pardee reservoir will submerge a beautiful section of the Mokelumne River recommended by the BLM for wild and scenic river protection. I personally know this section as a wonderful place to kayak and go fishing. It is having many beautiful places like the Mokelumne River that makes California a special and fun place to live. The Pardee enlargement would destroy the recently renovated Middle Bar Bridge and other existing and proposed public access facilities, as well as require the costly relocation of the Hwy 49 bridge.

The Lower Bear reservoir enlargement could alter Mokelumne River flows that have been improved to benefit fish, wildlife, and recreation. These improved flows took years to negotiate as part of PG&E's federal hydroelectric license. EBMUD's proposed reservoir enlargements will thwart the decades of work that have gone into making the Mokelumne a more viable recreation resource that will economically

benefit foothill communities. Why let so much go to waste when all that is needed is more conservation?

Please revise the Plan to eliminate the Pardee and Lower Bear Reservoir enlargements. The Plan should focus on increased conservation, recycling, and drought year rationing instead.

Sincerely,

Ms. Ariel Zucker  
1236 Oxford St

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Berkeley, CA 94709-1423

**Ariel Zucker (AZ)**

- AZ-1. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040. Please also see response Form Letter 3-1.
- AZ-2. Please see response Form Letter 3-2.
- AZ-3. EBMUD supports increased water conservation and has included a high level of conservation in the WSMP 2040. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives. Please also see response Form Letter 3-3.

From: Brandt Andersson [mailto:brandtander@gmail.com]  
Sent: Fri 4/3/2009 3:03 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: WSMP 2040

Dear Mr. Francis --

I would like to commend EBMUD for the development, in WSMP 2040, of the Preferred Portfolio of actions to conserve, recycle, and produce water, and make maximum use of EBMUD infrastructure. I hope that all of the provisions of the Preferred Portfolio are adopted in order to maximize the options available to EBMUD to continue to provide sufficient high-quality water to the District.

-- Brandt Andersson  
Lafayette

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**Brant Andersson (BA)**

BA-1. EBMUD appreciates the commenter's support for the WSMP 2040 and the Preferred Portfolio.



From: Bill Brown [mailto:w.h.brown@comcast.net]  
Sent: Sun 4/5/2009 6:23 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Comment on WSMP 2040

I would like to urge you to include local and upcountry storage, as well as conservation & recycling, in WSMP 2040. In coming years climate change is going to reduce the available snowpack and the population of EBMUD's service district is going to continue to increase. Conservation & recycling will simply not be enough to offset these things; in fact, even now there is insufficient storage to meet current needs in other than very wet years.

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Thank you,

Bill Brown  
216 El Toyonal  
Orinda, CA 94563  
[w.h.brown@comcast.net](mailto:w.h.brown@comcast.net)

**Bill Brown (BBro)**

BBro-1. Comment acknowledged. The comment expresses support for the overall WSMP 2040 and does not address the adequacy of the PEIR.

From: Bunny Firebaugh [mailto:lovetheforest@goldrush.com]  
Sent: Tuesday, March 17, 2009 8:27 AM  
To: 'Dianne and Ron '; Francis, Thomas  
Cc: chris@foothillconservancy.org; sph@volcano.net; merita9@comcast.net; 'Addie Jacobson'; 'Alice Trinkl'; 'John Trinkl'; 'Susan Robinson'; 'Susan Shoaff'  
Subject: RE: PARDEE RESEVOIR ENLARGEMENT

Great letter. Thank you so much for sending this.  
Bunny

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From: Dianne and Ron [mailto:dianneandron@earthlink.net]  
Sent: Monday, March 16, 2009 1:40 PM  
To: Tfrancis@ebmud.com  
Cc: chris@foothillconservancy.org; sph@volcano.net; merita9@comcast.net; 'Addie Jacobson'; Alice Trinkl; Bunny Firebaugh; John Trinkl; Susan Robinson; Susan Shoaff  
Subject: PARDEE RESEVOIR ENLARGEMENT

March 16, 2009

EBMUD Water Supply Improvements Division  
Oakland, CA 94607

Dear Mr. Francis:

I oppose the Pardee Reservoir enlargement proposed in EBMUD's Water Supply Management Plan and Programmatic Environmental Impact Report. The justification for increasing Pardee's water storage capacity is specious, shortsighted and, in the broad perspective, not cost effective.

Natural resources are not limitless, even if they are renewable. The Mokelumne River's capacity to provide water must be determined relevant to all of its users and subsequent ramifications. The era of dam building and/or expansion is archaic, especially when taking into consideration the total dollar cost, the cost to the environment, ecosystem, the cost to the local economy, the cost of destroying river usage, the cost of destroying historical/cultural heritage, to name a few.

Now is the time to put the effort into fostering conservation habits, processing and recycling waste water, and being honest that rationing regimens will probably become a way of life. The old way of doing business is obsolete. That is, you can no longer just go out and find and harness new rivers or destroy more of a watershed by increasing dam height. That route is pretty much exhausted, and the utilization and destruction of resources for the benefit of the few, and profit for even the fewer, is no longer acceptable.

I also feel that Mr. Hardy's concern that "they (opponents) are missing the timing element", as quoted in the Calaveras Enterprise of March 13, 2009, is irrelevant. The issue is whether the dam's enlargement is the best application of the Mokelumne River watershed's resources, now or any time.

Thank you for allowing me to express my concerns.

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Sincerely,

Ron Szymanski  
Hathaway Pines, CA  
95233

## Bunny Firebaugh (BFir)

BFir-1. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's support for the comments submitted by Ron Szymanski.

BFir-2. Please see responses RS-1 through RS-3.

From: BGravitz@sbcglobal.net [mailto:BGravitz@sbcglobal.net]  
Sent: Sat 3/14/2009 10:42 AM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Please drop plans to expand Pardee Reservoir

Dear East Bay MUD and local officials: I urge you to drop your plans to build a new Pardee Dam and expand Pardee Reservoir as part of the EBMUD 2040 water plan.

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\* A new dam will be too expensive for EBMUD ratepayers, provide relatively little new water, and harm miles of the Mokelumne River.

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\* Enlarging Pardee will drown a part of the Mokelumne popular for kayaking and fishing, submerge or require removal of the historic Middle Bar Bridge and river access facilities, inundate cultural resources, require construction of a new Highway 49 bridge, and seasonally inundate nearly a mile of river proposed for National Wild and Scenic River designation by the Bureau of Land Management. I have kayaked this section of the river several times. It is it is a peerless river environment which needs to be preserved.

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\* Enlarging Pardee will destroy decades of work and investment by public agencies and local residents to improve recreational use of the Mokelumne River, thwarting local efforts to use the river for economic development.

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\* Creating dead-end roads approaching the river will cut off a critical fire evacuation route for residents of Middle Bar and Gwin Mine roads.

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\* There is no reason to destroy more miles of a popular river and its fish habitat. You can avoid the environmental, social and economic cost by using your water supplies, including the new American River water supply, more efficiently.

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Please leave these miles of the Mokelumne a river for future generations.

Ben Gravit z  
7508 Desertwind Way  
Sacraemnto, CA 95831

## Ben Gravitz (BGr)

BGr-1. Please see response Form Letter 2-1.

BGr-2. Please see response Form Letter 2-2.

BGr-3. EBMUD recognizes the many recreational opportunities provided by the Mokelumne River. Please see Response Form Letter 2-3.

BGr-4. Please see response Form Letter 2-4.

BGr-5. Please see response Form Letter 2-5.

BGr-6. Please see response Form Letter 2-6.

From: Brian Jobson [mailto:jobsonbrian@hotmail.com]  
Sent: Fri 5/1/2009 9:06 AM  
To: Francis, Thomas; Lewis, Lynelle  
Cc: mshaver@co.amador.ca.us; ggillott@co.amador.ca.us;  
kke@foothillconservancy.com  
Subject: Comments on EBMUD Water Service Management Plan 2040

Dear Mr. Francis,

Please find attached my comments on the EBMUD WSMP 2040. Tom, please reply with a confirmation that you have received this within the comment period.

Lynelle, please provide each District Board member with a copy of these comments.

Thanks

Brian Jobson  
17125 Stage Road  
Sutter Creek, CA, 95685

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Mr. Tom Francis

East Bay Municipal Utility District

375 11<sup>th</sup> Street

Oakland, CA 94607

Dear Mr. Francis,

This letter submits my comments on the draft EIR for the EBMUD Water Supply Management Program 2040. For the reasons specified below, I find the DEIR to be flawed because fails to provide accurate, consistent information on the impacts of the proposed action, and thus is insufficient to serve as a basis for the EBMUD board to make an informed decision on the proposed project which is supported by a factual record . I therefore request that the DEIR be revised to correct its deficiencies and re-circulated as a revised draft EIR for public review.

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Comments

Hydrology

Section 5.2.A.1 –The significance criteria for Hydrology Groundwater and Water Quality include “Substantially altering a drainage pattern or course of a river or resulting in flooding on or off site.” However, in 5.2.A.7, the impact of the raise Pardee Reservoir and raise Bear River Reservoir options are only listed as only potentially significant, because the actual locations of these options have not been identified. In fact, contrary to the assertion of the DEIR, the location of the impacts of these dam raisings are quite well known to be the area upstream of the existing dams. This inaccurately downplays the severe impacts of the raise Pardee and Bear Reservoir options, and is internally inconsistent with the DEIR significance criteria. Further, the impact is claimed to be reduced to less than significant due to implementation of mitigation measure #5.2.A.7, compliance with all required permits and best practices. In fact, contrary to the claim of the DEIR, no permit compliance can reduce, avoid or mitigate the flooding of a river canyon, killing of all the riparian vegetation, destruction of the riparian habit, or the alteration of the natural watercourse of the Molelumne River, and no evidence is presented in the DEIR to support these counter-intuitive assertions.

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Section 5.2.A.11 asserts that the change to Mokelumne River hydrologic conditions is only potentially significant and is mitigated to less than significant by implementing a reservoir operations plan ..”to meet all environmental and downstream appropriative rights and obligations. Again there is no factual evidence in the record to support this assertion, and in fact once the reservoir area is cleared and water is seasonally impounded, irreparable harm will be done to hydrologic conditions, as a free flowing river will be forever altered to a flat water lake and no operating plan can change that.

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Hydrologic impacts should be listed as significant after mitigation.

## Biological Resources

Section 5.2.C.1 includes within the significance criteria an action that has a substantial adverse effect on any riparian or other sensitive natural community identified in plans or policies of CDFG or USFWS, interference with the movement of native fish, and substantial adverse impact on wetlands. In spite of the obvious impact of the raise Pardee and Bear River Reservoirs, in destroying by flooding precious Sierra river wetland aquatic and riparian terrestrial habitat, displacing river dwelling fish species, the DEIR claims that compliance with the “no net loss” of habitat policy will mitigate these impacts to less than significant. No specifics are provided to support the assertion of how a free flowing river habitat can be replaced so there compliance with is no net loss policy however, and the fact is it cannot be, leaving the DEIR flawed and insufficient.

Biological impacts should be listed as significant after mitigation.

## Land Use and Recreation

Section 5.2.D.1 includes in the significance criteria impairment of recreational facilities and activities, and an action requiring construction or expansion of recreational facilities which might have an adverse impact on the environment. Again the DEIR claims that because exact locations of facilities are not known, impacts are only potentially significant. Given the fact that enlargement of existing reservoirs are in fact already located, this can only be regarded as an understatement of impacts that misleads the reader, be he/she a member of the concerned public or a decision maker relying on the PEIR to fully and accurately disclose all impacts.

In section 5.2.D.2, the DEIR acknowledges that the proposed action will include replacement of facilities displaced by the enlarge Bear and Pardee options, which should result in significant impacts being incurred. These include the Camp Winton Boy Scout Camp, a large and historically significant recreational facility right at lake level that would be lost and replaced if the raise Bear option is pursued. However the document calls these impacts less than significant, having erroneously dropped from further consideration in section 5.2.D.2 any analysis of the environmental impacts of relocating and constructing replacement recreational facilities.

The loss of the recreational experience - boating, hiking, fishing, communing with nature, resulting from the Bear and Pardee Reservoir options is significant and should be listed and remaining significant after mitigation, as there are few free flowing Sierra rivers with good access for people young, old and handicapped to construct these activities.

The EBMUD General Manager and Vice Chair of the Board have committed to Amador County Board of Supervisors, the land use decision making authority, that EBMUD will not construct the raise PARdee or Raise Bear options without the support of Amador County Board of Supervisors. Please include this commitment as a mitigation for the severe concerns about land use impacts they and others have identified.

## Visual Resources

Included in the significance criteria in Section 5.2.1.1 are having a substantial adverse effect on a scenic vista and substantially degrading the site and its surroundings. Again the DEIR hides behind the claim that the exact locations of facilities are not known, whereas the existing reservoir enlargements are known and the vistas from scenic highway 49, for Pardee, and 88, for Bear, would be substantially degraded as the reservoir will not be full most of the time like other Sierra reservoirs leaving a denuded bare mud slope where there is now green riparian vegetation. These impacts are not potentially significant – they remain significant after mitigation and should be so noted.

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## Alternatives

The preferred alternative claims to have benefits to climate change issues as it results in generation of renewable hydro-electric power. However, the existing Pardee Power Plant already generates all the energy allowed by the reservoir inflow, and the minimal incremental increase from a slight increase in the ability to capture more flood flows is likely offset by the huge emission impacts of constructing a 400 foot high earthfill dam. At least document should be revised and re-circulated to disclose these tradeoffs in a thorough manner as is now does not.

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Further, the fact that constructing the Buckhorn Reservoir provides storage that better meets the District's reliability needs than the Pardee and Bear options is not disclosed or weighted appropriately in the PEIR. The conclusion that the impacts of the Buckhorn Reservoir are too severe to proceed with, but the impacts of raising Pardee and Bear are not is unsupported, counterintuitive and flawed. This topic needs to be revised and treated in an open manner that is supported by sound logic and facts in the record for public review in a re-circulated PEIR.

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## Conclusion

Because of the above identified flaws, the PEIR does not disclose the impacts of the project in a thorough manner, deprives the public of the review they deserve, does not support its conclusions with sound logic and facts in the record as required by law, and thus does not provide the EBMUD Board with a sufficient and defensible basis for a Record of Decision on the 2040 Plan. I request that the above deficiencies be corrected in a revised Draft PEIR that should be re-circulated for public review before going to a Final PEIR. I also request that the raise Bear and raise Pardee options be eliminated from further consideration due to their significant unmitigated impacts and the motions of opposition passed by the Amador County Board of Supervisors, the Amador Water Agency and four local cities. The District has committed not to proceed with these options without local support which it clearly does not have.

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Thank you.

Brian Jobson

17125 Stage Road

Sutter Creek, CA 95685

## Brian Jobson (BJo)

- BJo-1. Per the commenter's request, Tom Francis of EBMUD replied via e-mail on May 1, 2009 to confirm that the comment was received. The Board of Directors received copies of all comments on the Draft PEIR.
- BJo-2. Please see the Master Response on Program-level EIR analysis. Subsequent project-level CEQA documentation will be prepared for specific portfolio components when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning.
- BJo-3. At this stage, there is no certainty regarding the potential impacts of the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir and Enlarge Lower Bear Reservoir components. At the project level, EBMUD will examine a broad range of configurations and the potential impacts and possible means of mitigating impacts to recreational uses, cultural resources, transportation and other resource areas. Please see the Master Responses on Program-level EIR analysis and the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. The project-level EIR will also identify specific mitigation measures to reduce significant impacts.
- Impacts resulting from higher reservoir levels (or as the commenter describes it, flooding) on specific resources such as biological, cultural, visual, and recreation resources resulting from these components are evaluated in the individual resource sections of the Draft PEIR.
- BJo-4. Please see the Master Response on Program-level EIR analysis. Subsequent project-level EIRs will be prepared for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir and Enlarge Lower Bear Reservoir components when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning. The project-level EIR will identify impacts both upstream and downstream of the reservoirs and will also identify specific mitigation measures to reduce significant impacts. The courts have confirmed that detailed mitigation measures may be more appropriately discussed at a project level, because, at this point, without further information on the project, they would require an unacceptable level of speculation.
- BJo-5. Please see the Master Response on Program-level EIR analysis. Project impacts on wetlands and aquatic resources will be thoroughly evaluated in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir and Enlarge Lower Bear Reservoir components.
- BJo-6. The Draft PEIR (page 5.2.D-7) acknowledges that the enlarged reservoirs would increase the overall areas of inundation around the reservoirs, resulting in the flooding of existing recreational facilities (e.g., campgrounds, marina, day use areas, and trails) and their relocation. Implementation of Mitigation Measures 5.2.D-2a and 5.2.D-2b would repair any recreation facilities damaged during construction and would replace inundated recreational features. Please see the Master Responses on Program-level EIR analysis and the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Additional detail on specific recreation facilities that would need to be replaced will be identified in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with either of these components. The historical significance of existing recreation facilities will also be evaluated during project-level review. The environmental

impacts of relocating these recreation facilities (such as the Camp Winton Boy Scout Camp at Lower Bear Reservoir) will also be evaluated in the project-level EIR.

- BJo-7. EBMUD's Board of Directors stands by their commitment that they will not move forward with the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir and Enlarge Lower Bear Reservoir components without the support of the Amador County Board of Supervisors and the local community. This commitment is not identified as a mitigation measure in the Draft PEIR because it would not reduce a physical environmental impact.
- BJo-8. Impacts on visual resources will be thoroughly examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir and Enlarge Lower Bear Reservoir components. Please see the Master Responses on Program-level EIR analysis and the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component.
- BJo-9. Hydroelectric power is viewed as a green, clean source of energy. Were the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component to be constructed, it would include hydroelectric elements such as a new powerhouse, and it is expected that more power would be produced as compared with current conditions. Reservoir operations would be analyzed to identify power generation capabilities.
- BJo-10. Buckhorn Canyon Reservoir was not included in the WSMP 2040 Preferred Portfolio because it would not accomplish the project objectives. While a Buckhorn Canyon Reservoir would potentially shift impacts that could potentially result from storage projects in the Upcountry region to the East Bay, this project would still result in impacts similar to those associated with the creation of a new reservoir, particularly in a previously undeveloped area. The District recognized that the Buckhorn Canyon Reservoir would not provide any benefits beyond the EBMUD service area and would not offer benefits to other regional partners that may be achieved through the Regional Upcountry Project components.
- BJo-11. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir and Enlarge Lower Bear Reservoir components of the WSMP 2040. See Response BJ-2 above.

From: Friends of the River on behalf of Brad Martin  
Sent: Tue 3/17/2009 7:43 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Mar 17, 2009

Mr. Thomas Francis  
375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

Dear Mr. Francis,

Please do not enlarge the Pardee and Lower Bear reservoirs downing a segment of the Mokelumne River.

I believe that EBMUD can easily meet its future water needs without enlarging the Pardee or Lower Bear Reservoirs. EBMUD's proposed Water Supply Management Plan is significantly overestimating future demand. In addition, the Plan substantially underestimates the amount of water that could be produced by reasonable and achievable increases in water conservation, recycling, groundwater storage, and increased rationing during drought years.

The threatened river is loved by many for its beauty, for its beginner kayak runs and year-round angling. This would be needless river destruction.

Conservationists have worked for years to improve flows in the Mokelumne River for fish, wildlife, and recreation, as well as to enhance recreational access. The proposed reservoir expansion threatens to drown these recent environmental and recreational gains.

The Pardee reservoir enlargement will drown a segment of the Mokelumne River recommended by the BLM for wild and scenic river protection. This section is also popular for kayaking and fishing. The Pardee enlargement would destroy the recently renovated Middle Bar Bridge and other existing and proposed public access facilities, as well as require the costly relocation of the Hwy 49 bridge.

The Lower Bear reservoir enlargement could alter Mokelumne River flows that have been improved to benefit fish, wildlife, and recreation. These improved flows took years to negotiate as part of PG&E's federal hydroelectric license. EBMUD's proposed reservoir enlargements will thwart the decades of work that have gone into making the Mokelumne a more viable recreation resource that will economically benefit foothill communities.

Please revise the Plan to eliminate the Pardee and Lower Bear Reservoir enlargements. The Plan should focus on increased conservation,

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recycling, and drought year rationing instead.

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Sincerely,

Mr. Brad Martin  
PO Box 12225  
Fresno, CA 93777-2225



## **Brad Martin 1 - Responses to Comment Letter #1 - 3/17/09 (BMar1)**

BMar1-1. Please see response Form Letter 3-1.

BMar1-2. EBMUD recognizes the many recreational opportunities provided by the Mokelumne River. Project impacts on recreation and the Mokelumne River will be thoroughly examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning for this component. The project-level EIR will also identify specific mitigation measures to reduce significant impacts. EBMUD believes the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component would provide a reliable water supply in dry years. EBMUD will consult with agencies, including the Bureau of Land Management and Caltrans, and will coordinate with local residents when and if project-level planning moves forward for this component.

BMar1-3. Please see response Form Letter 3-2.

BMar1-4. Please see response Form Letter 3-3.

From: Carol Aardal [mailto:caardal@yahoo.com]  
Sent: Sat 3/14/2009 9:05 AM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Mokelumne River is Precious to all Do NOT expand Pardee Dam

Conserve water.

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This is your advice to all of EBMUD rate payers. This is the advice that I highly recommend you utilize to meet the growing needs of water that your district covers. To expand the Pardee Reservoir would be just more of the same destruction of a disappearing and finite amount of natural environment that can be enjoyed in its natural state. The area proposed to be drowned by more Reservoir is a precious place to many for solice, water sports, flyfishing, and an incredible natural state of a wild river setting. The proposed project is grossly expensive for a relatively small increase in new water for EBMUD.

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This last year my 2nd grade class raised salmon eggs and released them back into the Mokelumne River. This river is a vital lifeline to several precious wild animals; to both the food chain of many other animals, but the fishing industry as well. To think that what you do to the upstream environment of this shrinking spawning ground is short sighted and ignores the potential causes for the alarming plummet in numbers of salmon, steelhead, and all other anadromous species of fish.

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Thank you for your genuine consideration.

A concerned foothills resident,

Carol Aardal

## Carol Aardal 1 - Responses to Comment Letter #1 - 3/14/09 (CAa1)

- CAa1-1. EBMUD supports increased water conservation and has included a high level of conservation in the WSMP 2040. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives.
- CAa1-2. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040. Impacts to recreation and other resources will be fully examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. The project-level EIR will also identify specific mitigation measures to reduce significant impacts.
- CAa1-3. As stated in the Master Response on the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component, EBMUD will pursue multiple supplemental supply components simultaneously, with the most cost effective and efficient projects being pursued first. The District would seek to involve partner agencies to share costs and to provide regional benefits in terms of yield.
- CAa1-4. At this stage, there is no certainty regarding the potential impacts of the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. At the project level, EBMUD will examine a broad range of configurations and the potential impacts and possible means of mitigating impacts to fisheries, wildlife and other resource areas. Please see the Master Responses on Program-level EIR analysis and the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component.

From: Carol Aardal [mailto:caardal@yahoo.com]  
Sent: Sun 3/15/2009 3:48 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
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Thank you for your genuine consideration.

A concerned foothills resident,

Carol Aardal



## Carol Aardal 2 - Responses to Comment Letter #2 - 3/15/09 (CAa2)

CAa2-1. Please see response CA1-1.

CAa2-2. Please see response CA1-2.

CAa2-3. Please see response CA1-3.

CAa2-4. Please see response CA1-4.

From: cris@crisbarsanti.com [mailto:cris@crisbarsanti.com]  
Sent: Monday, March 16, 2009 6:22 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Please drop plans to expand Pardee Reservoir

Dear East Bay MUD and local officials: I urge you to drop your plans to build a new Pardee Dam and expand Pardee Reservoir as part of the EBMUD 2040 water plan. I live in nearby Tuolumne County and raft the Mokelumne River as often as possible. It is a beautiful stretch of river with gentle rapids suitable for beginner rafters and kayakers.

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\* A new dam will be too expensive for EBMUD ratepayers, provide relatively little new water, and harm miles of the Mokelumne River.

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\* Enlarging Pardee will drown a part of the Mokelumne popular for kayaking and fishing, submerge or require removal of the historic Middle Bar Bridge and river access facilities, inundate cultural resources, require construction of a new Highway 49 bridge, and seasonally inundate nearly a mile of river proposed for National Wild and Scenic River designation by the Bureau of Land Management.

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\* There is no reason to destroy more miles of a popular river and its fish habitat. You can avoid the environmental, social and economic cost by using your water supplies, including the new American River water supply, more efficiently.

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Please leave these miles of the Mokelumne a river for future generations.

Cristine Barsanti  
P. O. Box 851  
Columbia, CA 95310

## Cristine Barsanti (CBa)

- CBa-1. EBMUD recognizes the many recreational opportunities provided by the Mokelumne River. Impacts to recreation will be thoroughly examined in the project-level EIR for this component, when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning. The project-level EIR will also identify specific mitigation measures to reduce significant impacts. Please see response Form Letter 2-1.
- CBa-2. Please see response Form Letter 2-2.
- CBa-3. Please see response Form Letter 2-3.
- CBa-4. Please see response Form Letter 2-4.
- CBa-5. Please see response Form Letter 2-5.
- CBa-6. Please see response Form Letter 2-6.

From: Connie Economou [mailto:ceconomou@vmware.com]  
Sent: Wednesday, April 15, 2009 1:32 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: WSMP 2040 PEIR comment

I want to comment on the Water Supply Management Program 2040.

I support maximum conservation and maximum water recycling. We are not doing everything we can. I have traveled to Australia for example and there grey water recycling gear is available in every hardware store.

I support ground water storage. I am opposed to new or expanded dams or reservoirs and/or cross-delta transfers. We have already decimated the native fish populations of Northern California. The Delta ecosystem has teetered on the brink of collapse.

I urge EBMUD to expand it's purview. EBMUD should actively support LIMITS to GROWTH of the population in its management area. I have lived in Berkeley since the early 1970's, experiencing drought conditions during several multi-year periods. No matter how careful and attentive each of us are to our water use there are already too many of us trying to utilize water resources.

As for long term planning we can't be sure how global warming will affect the Bay Area but most climate models predict that it will not result in increased water supplies in our area – in fact they predict the opposite.

It's time to perform a root cause analysis and support limits on population sizes in the Bay Area.

Thank you for your attention to my point of view.

Constantina Economou  
Berkeley, CA 94704

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## Constantina Economou (CEc)

- CEc-1. The District acknowledges the commenter's support for water conservation, water recycling and other soft path projects, as well as the commenter's opposition to new or expanded dams, reservoirs, and cross-delta transfers. As stated in the Master Response on the WSMP 2040, the District is committed to implementing high levels of water conservation and recycling.
- CEc-2. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's support for imposing restrictions on growth within the EBMUD Service Area. Please see the Master Response on the Demand Study for a discussion of demand assumptions and projections. EBMUD conducted a comprehensive study of water demand through 2040 that relied on adopted general plans and consultations with planning staff in jurisdictions served by EBMUD to determine growth projections. Future planned land uses reflect the most current general plan land uses provided by the planning agencies. Meetings were held with most of the city and county planning agencies to confirm existing land uses, confirm general plan land use designations for future development, identify redevelopment areas, and identify phasing of future development in five year increments to 2030 plus 2040. While the Preferred Portfolio would increase EBMUD's water supply, it is not intended to support unplanned growth, as described in Impact 7-1 in the Draft PEIR (page 7-5 to 7-6). The incremental increase in surface storage created by the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component would only be used during dry years and would not increase the average annual supply.
- CEc-3. The WSMP 2040 is designed to provide the District with flexibility to address uncertainties such as climate change and timing of droughts. Climate change is address in the Draft PEIR in various places throughout Chapter 8, Cumulative Analysis including Section 8.2.2, Global Climate Change Impacts and Section 8.4, Global Climate Change Setting. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives.
- CEc-4. Limiting population within the Bay Area is outside of the jurisdiction of EBMUD. EBMUD is required to serve planned growth as defined under the city and county general plan documents within the service area.

From: christina@voclano.net [mailto:christina@voclano.net]  
Sent: Thu 4/2/2009 9:11 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Please drop plans to expand Pardee Reservoir

Dear East Bay MUD and Local officials:

Please drop your plans for a new Pardee Dam and expanded Pardee Reservoir, as well as any plans to enlarge the Lower Bear reservoir as part of the 2040 water plan. There are many reasons why I oppose this expansion. The dam will be too expensive for EBMUD ratepayers, will harm miles of the Mokelumne River and provide little new water. Enlarging Pardee will drown miles of a popular recreation area, only recently improved by public agencies. But most importantly, this expansion will seasonally inundate one of the few areas in our foothill environs where the river is proposed for wild and scenic status by the Bureau of Land Management. I have been living in the foothills for over 10 years now and feel there are precious few wild areas available to the public. It is imperative that we protect what we have. Our future water needs and those of the East Bay areas should be met by recycling, reusing and reducing; not by impacting existing wild rivers and destroying historic areas, recreation areas and fish habitat.

We have already missed our chance to preserve so many wild and natural areas on the western slope of the Sierra. Please leave these miles of the Mokelumne a river to be enjoyed by all creatures.

Chris Gandolfi  
26065 Meadow Drive PO Box 827  
Pioneer, CA 95666

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## Chris Gandolfi (CG)

- CG-1. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to expanded reservoirs and new dams. Please also see response Form Letter 2-1.
- CG-2. Please see response Form Letter 2-2.
- CG-3. Please see response Form Letter 2-4.
- CG-4. Please see response Form Letter 2-3.
- CG-5. Please see response Form Letter 2-6.

-----Original Message-----

From: peppercyn@gmail.com [mailto:peppercyn@gmail.com]  
Sent: Wednesday, March 18, 2009 10:22 AM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Please drop plans to expand Pardee Reservoir

Dear East Bay MUD and local officials: I urge you to drop your plans to build a new Pardee Dam and expand Pardee Reservoir as part of the EBMUD 2040 water plan.

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\* A new dam will be too expensive for EBMUD ratepayers, provide relatively little new water, and harm miles of the Mokelumne River.

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\* Enlarging Pardee will drown a part of the Mokelumne popular for kayaking and fishing, submerge or require removal of the historic Middle Bar Bridge and river access facilities, inundate cultural resources, require construction of a new Highway 49 bridge, and seasonally inundate nearly a mile of river proposed for National Wild and Scenic River designation by the Bureau of Land Management.

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\* Enlarging Pardee will destroy decades of work and investment by public agencies and local residents to improve recreational use of the Mokelumne River, thwarting local efforts to use the river for economic development.

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\* Creating dead-end roads approaching the river will cut off a critical fire evacuation route for residents of Middle Bar and Gwin Mine roads.

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\* There is no reason to destroy more miles of a popular river and its fish habitat. You can avoid the environmental, social and economic cost by using your water supplies, including the new American River water supply, more efficiently.

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Please leave these miles of the Mokelumne a river for future generations. I want my grandchildren to enjoy where their parents did !!!!!!!!!!!

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Cynthia Kirby  
PO 351  
VALLEY SPRINGS, CA 95252

## Cynthia Kirby (CK)

- CK-1. Please see response Form Letter 2-1.
- CK-2. Please see response Form Letter 2-2.
- CK-3. Please see response Form Letter 2-3.
- CK-4. Please see response Form Letter 2-4.
- CK-5. Please see response Form Letter 2-5.
- CK-6. Please see response Form Letter 2-6.
- CK-7. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040. EBMUD recognizes the importance of the Mokelumne River to the local community. Please see the response to FC-6 for a discussion of local opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Please also see the Master Response on the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. At this stage, there is no certainty regarding the impacts of the potential Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Please see the Master Response on Program-level EIR analysis. Project impacts will be thoroughly evaluated in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning for this component.

From: cplatt1@comcast.net [mailto:cplatt1@comcast.net]  
Sent: Fri 4/3/2009 6:15 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Please drop plans to expand Pardee Reservoir

Dear East Bay MUD,

Please drop your plans to build a new Pardee Dam and expand Pardee Reservoir as part of the EBMUD 2040 water plan.

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A new dam will ruin miles of the Mokelumne River, be too expensive for EBMUD ratepayers, and provide relatively little new water.

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Enlarging Pardee will drown a part of the Mokelumne popular for kayaking and stream fishing, submerge or require removal of the historic Middle Bar Bridge and river access facilities, inundate important cultural resources, require construction of a new Highway 49 bridge, and seasonally inundate nearly a mile of river proposed for National Wild and Scenic River designation by the Bureau of Land Management.

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Colleen Platt  
4924 Treosti  
Valley Springs, CA 95252

**Colleen Platt (CPI)**

CPI-1. Please see response Form Letter 2-1.

CPI-2. Please see response Form Letter 2-2.

CPI-3. Please see response Form Letter 2-3.

CPI-4. Please see response Form Letter 2-4.

CPI-5. Please see response Form Letter 2-5.

CPI-6. Please see response Form Letter 2-6.

From: carl@cfsonline.org [mailto:carl@cfsonline.org]  
Sent: Monday, May 04, 2009 6:27 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Please drop plans to expand Pardee Reservoir

Dear East Bay MUD and local officials,

I urge you to drop your plans to build a new Pardee Dam and expand Pardee Reservoir as part of the EBMUD 2040 water plan.

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In particular my own daughter whom I am looking forward to teaching how to guide her own craft down Mokelumne either this year or next.

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Carl Ramstrom  
2700 Royal Park  
Cameron park, CA 95682

## **Carl Ramstrom (CRa)**

CRa-1. Please see response Form Letter 2-1.

CRa-2. Please see response Form Letter 2-2.

CRa-3. Please see response Form Letter 2-3.

CRa-4. Please see response Form Letter 2-4.

CRa-5. Please see response Form Letter 2-5.

CRa-6. EBMUD recognizes the many recreational opportunities provided by the Mokelumne River, as well as its importance to the local community. Please see response Form Letter 2-6.

From: Don Baker [mailto:drperc@earthlink.net]  
Sent: Sun 3/15/2009 3:11 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Cc: Allen Biggs  
Subject: Mokelumne River Project

Mr. Francis, it has been brought to my attention that there may be interest in raising the water level of the Pardee Res. which in turn would back up the water along the Mokelumne River. I live in the East Bay (El Cerrito) and I know how important our water resources are right now but I am not in favor of raising the water level to meet our water needs in the East Bay. I have and hope to continue to use the Mokelumne River for recreation and sport. It has very special areas in the river that are beautiful, tranquil and yet exciting at the same time. I hope I will be able to continue to go back to that area with my friends to enjoy the area for which nature designed and not be drowned under water made unavailable for public use.

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Please do not raise the level of water in the Pardee Res. to the point that more of the Mokelumne River is submerged under water. Please consider other options which would maintain the integrity of the river. Thank You,

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Don Baker  
786 Pomona Ave.  
El Cerrito, CA 94530

## Don Baker (DBak)

- DBak-1. EBMUD recognizes the many recreational opportunities provided by the Mokelumne River. Impacts to recreation will be fully examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. The project-level EIR will also identify all feasible mitigation measures to reduce or avoid any impacts, including damaging impacts to Middle Bar Bridge.
- DBak-2. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040. The alternative development process included an in-depth evaluation of over 50 components and a range of portfolios before the Board selected the Preferred Portfolio. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives.

From: donna55jj@yahoo.com [mailto:donna55jj@yahoo.com]  
Sent: Monday, April 13, 2009 8:34 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Please drop plans to expand Pardee Reservoir

Dear East Bay MUD and local officials: I urge you to drop your plans to build a new Pardee Dam and expand Pardee Reservoir as part of the EBMUD 2040 water plan.

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Please leave these miles of the Mokelumne a river for future generations.

Please leave.

Donna Johnson  
5951 Croset Court  
Valley Springs, CA 95252

**Donna Johnson (DJ)**

- DJ-1. Please see Response Form Letter 2-1.
- DJ-2. Please see Response Form Letter 2-2.
- DJ-3. Please see Response Form Letter 2-3.
- DJ-4. Please see Response Form Letter 2-4.
- DJ-5. Please see Response Form Letter 2-5.
- DJ-6. Please see Response Form Letter 2-6.

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf Of Deanna Knickerbocker  
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2009 8:52 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Success! More Ca Rivers protected

Mar 31, 2009

Mr. Thomas Francis  
375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

Dear Mr. Francis,

Please do not enlarge the Pardee and Lower Bear reservoirs drowning a segment of the Mokelumne River.

Your legislation will economically benefit local communities, provide outstanding opportunities for outdoor recreation, protect fish and wildlife and their habitat, and protect watersheds that provide drinking water for Californians.

The Omnibus Bill also increases the ecological diversity of California rivers in the National Wild & Scenic Rivers System by including streams in the eastern Sierra, White Mountains, Mojave Desert, San Gabriel Mountains, and San Jacinto Mountains.

Please revise the Plan to eliminate the Pardee and Lower Bear Reservoir enlargements. The Plan should focus on increased conservation, recycling, and drought year rationing instead.

Sincerely,

Ms. Deanna Knickerbocker  
1846 Limetree Ln  
Mountain View, CA 94040-4019

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**Deanna Knickerbocker (DKn)**

DKn-1. Please see response Form Letter 1-1.

DKn-2. Comment acknowledged. This comment does not address the content of the WSMP 2040 PEIR.

DKn-3. Please see response Form Letter 1-4.



From: Friends of the River on behalf of Deanna Lamb  
Sent: Thu 4/16/2009 6:18 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam to give up some of the Mokelumne

Apr 16, 2009

Mr. Thomas Francis  
375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

Dear Mr. Francis,

Please do not enlarge the Pardee and Lower Bear reservoirs drowning a segment of the Mokelumne River.

I have friends who named their son Mokelumne (Moke). It is a beautiful river viewed most by drivers crossing the 49 bridge and more enjoyed by kayaking.

I believe that EBMUD can easily meet its future water needs without enlarging the Pardee or Lower Bear Reservoirs. EBMUD's proposed Water Supply Management Plan is significantly overestimating future demand. In addition, the Plan substantially underestimates the amount of water that could be produced by reasonable and achievable increases in water conservation, recycling, groundwater storage, and increased rationing during drought years.

The Pardee reservoir enlargement will drown a segment of the Mokelumne River recommended by the BLM for wild and scenic river protection. This section is also popular for kayaking and fishing. The Pardee enlargement would destroy the recently renovated Middle Bar Bridge and other existing and proposed public access facilities, as well as require the costly relocation of the Hwy 49 bridge.

The Lower Bear reservoir enlargement could alter Mokelumne River flows that have been improved to benefit fish, wildlife, and recreation. These improved flows took years to negotiate as part of PG&E's federal hydroelectric license. EBMUD's proposed reservoir enlargements will thwart the decades of work that have gone into making the Mokelumne a more viable recreation resource that will economically benefit foothill communities.

Please revise the Plan to eliminate the Pardee and Lower Bear Reservoir enlargements. The Plan should focus on increased conservation, recycling, and drought year rationing instead.

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Sincerely,

Ms. Deanna Lamb  
3920 Valley View Ct  
Fair Oaks, CA 95628-7414

## Deanna Lamb (DLam)

- DLam-1. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir and Enlarge Lower Bear Reservoir components of the WSMP 2040.
- DLam-2. EBMUD recognizes the importance of the Mokelumne River to the local community. Impacts to recreation and visual resources will be fully examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component.
- DLam-3. Please see response Form Letter 3-1.
- DLam-4. Please see response Form Letter 3-2.
- DLam-5. Please see response Form Letter 3-3.

From: Rodriguez, Trudy [mailto:trodriguez@presidiotrust.gov]  
Sent: Monday, April 06, 2009 4:20 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Cc: dqwutzli@sbcglobal.net  
Subject: Please maintain our current 3-tier system for Contra Costa County.

Hello,

As residents and homeowner in Contra Costa County, our preference is for maintaining of the current 3-tier system of fees for water usage. Thank you!



*David & Trudy L. Rodriguez  
1062 Laurel Drive  
Lafayette, CA 94549*

**David & Trudy L. Rodriguez (DRo)**

DRo-1. Comment acknowledged. Please see the response to SCSFB2-17 for a discussion of EBMUD's rate pricing structure.

From: ladyslipper@caltel.com [mailto:ladyslipper@caltel.com]  
Sent: Thursday, April 02, 2009 12:01 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Please drop plans to expand Pardee Reservoir

Dear East Bay MUD and local officials: I urge you to drop your plans to build a new Pardee Dam and expand Pardee Reservoir as part of the EBMUD 2040 water plan.

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Please leave these miles of the Mokelumne a river for future generations. Don't allow your water issues to impact the residents of Calaveras and Amador Counties.

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Respectfully Submitted,

Diane Starner  
PO Box 682  
Valley Springs, CA 95252

**Diane Starner (DSta)**

DSta-1. Please see response Form Letter 2-1.

DSta-2. Please see response Form Letter 2-2.

DSta-3. Please see response Form Letter 2-3.

DSta-4. Please see response Form Letter 2-4.

DSta-5. Please see response Form Letter 2-5.

DSta-6. Please see response Form Letter 2-6.

DSta-7. EBMUD recognizes the importance of the Mokelumne River to the local community. Please see the response for FC3-6 for a discussion of local opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir Component.

From: Doug Thorley [mailto:dougthor@infostations.com]  
Sent: Wednesday, March 18, 2009 9:45 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Middle Bar Run

Keep the Moke River intact. The amount of water that would be collected by raising the dam could easily be saved through conservation.

Douglas Thorley  
Colfax, CA

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## Douglas Thorley (DT)

- DT-1. The District acknowledges the commenter's support for water conservation as well as the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. As stated in the Master Response on the WSMP 2040, the District is committed to implementing high levels of water conservation. While the rationing, conservation, and recycled water components chosen as part of the Preferred Portfolio will reduce the District's dry-year potable water demand, these components alone would not enable the District to meet the Need for Water through 2040.

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf Of David Walker  
Sent: Tuesday, March 24, 2009 5:21 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: LET THE MOKELUMNE RIVER RUN FREE!

Mar 24, 2009

Mr. Thomas Francis  
375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

Dear Mr. Francis,

Please do not enlarge the Pardee and Lower Bear reservoirs drowning a segment of the Mokelumne River.

Please DO NOT ENLARGE the Pardee Reservoir! It is imperative that we leave the last of California's free-flowing rivers--or, at least, the last free-flowing sections of them--alone. No more damn dams or reservoirs. Period! If we implement statewide rationing & water conservation, as well as drip irrigation in the agribusiness, we wouldn't even need to be discussing this disconcerting issue...

I believe that EBMUD can easily meet its future water needs without enlarging the Pardee or Lower Bear Reservoirs. EBMUD's proposed Water Supply Management Plan is significantly overestimating future demand. In addition, the Plan substantially underestimates the amount of water that could be produced by reasonable and achievable increases in water conservation, recycling, groundwater storage, and increased rationing during drought years.

The Pardee reservoir enlargement will drown a segment of the Mokelumne River recommended by the BLM for wild and scenic river protection. This section is also popular for kayaking and fishing. The Pardee enlargement would destroy the recently renovated Middle Bar Bridge and other existing and proposed public access facilities, as well as require the costly relocation of the Hwy 49 bridge.

The Lower Bear reservoir enlargement could alter Mokelumne River flows that have been improved to benefit fish, wildlife, and recreation. These improved flows took years to negotiate as part of PG&E's federal hydroelectric license. EBMUD's proposed reservoir enlargements will thwart the decades of work that have gone into making the Mokelumne a more viable recreation resource that will economically benefit foothill communities.

Please revise the Plan to eliminate the Pardee and Lower Bear Reservoir enlargements. The Plan should focus on increased conservation, recycling, and drought year rationing instead.



Sincerely,

Mr. David Walker  
907 Vista Del Rio  
Santa Maria, CA 93458-8238

## David Walker (DWal)

- DWal-1. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir and Enlarge Lower Bear Reservoir components of the WSMP 2040.
- DWal-2. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to expanded reservoirs and new dams. The alternative development process included an in-depth evaluation of over 50 components and a range of portfolios before the Board selected the Preferred Portfolio. EBMUD supports increased water conservation and has included a high level of conservation in the WSMP 2040. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives.
- DWal-3. Please see response Form Letter 3-1.
- DWal-4. Please see response Form Letter 3-2.
- DWal-5. Please see response Form Letter 3-3.

From: FC@gmail.com [mailto:FC@gmail.com]  
Sent: Tuesday, March 03, 2009 1:36 PM  
To: Lewis, Lynelle  
Subject: Please drop plans to expand Pardee Reservoir

Dear East Bay MUD and local officials: I urge you to drop your plans to build a new Pardee Dam and expand Pardee Reservoir as part of the EBMUD 2040 water plan.

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Enlarging Pardee will drown a part of the Mokelumne popular for kayaking and fishing and will destroy decades of work and investment by public agencies and local residents to improve recreational use of the Mokelumne River, thwarting local efforts to use the river for economic development.

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When I was cited for trespassing many years ago for running the section of the Mokelumne out to Middle Bar Bridge, several people claimed that the reason EBMUD was so adamant about trying to prevent people from legally accessing this stretch of river was that they wanted to raise the reservoir, flooding this reach. If they could keep people from seeing this area, the reasoning went, there would be fewer stakeholders to fight for it later. At the time EBMUD feverishly denied such claims, and went so far as to work with the community to build a takeout at Middle Bar bridge to show what good citizens they were. Apparently this was all posturing.

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Please live up to your recently earned reputation as good stewards of the community and leave these miles of the Mokelumne a river for future generations.

Eric Arons  
49 Dorland St. #2  
San Francisco, CA 94110

## Eric Arons (EA)

- EA-1. The District acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component.
- EA-2. Please see Master Responses on the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component and Program-level EIR analysis. Project impacts on recreation, historic structures and cultural resources, and the Mokelumne River will be thoroughly examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning for this component.
- EA-3. EBMUD's past policy to restrict public access to the stretch of the Mokelumne River between the State Route 49 bridge and the Middle Bar bridge was developed to protect District's existing water supply and adjacent District-owned watershed lands. Liability considerations also came into play. The policy was not developed for the potential reason cited.

EBMUD acknowledges the author's comment regarding EBMUD's reputation within the community as a good steward of the river and watershed and the contention that this reputation would be at risk were the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component to move into the project-level stage.

From: Elaine Baden [mailto:elainebaden@sbcglobal.net]  
Sent: Wednesday, March 04, 2009 8:13 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Pardee Expansion

I am writing to express my disapproval to the plans to expand the Pardee reservoir. This seems to be an ill thought out plan, that will adversely impact local residents as well as large numbers of recreational users of the Mokelumne River.

As an EBMUD customer for over 20 years, I really hope this plan does not ever move forward!

Sincerely,  
Elaine Baden  
(currently of Richmond, CA)

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## Elaine Baden (EBad)

EBad-1. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040. The alternative development process included an in-depth evaluation of over 50 components and a range of portfolios before the Board selected the Preferred Portfolio. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives.

Impacts to recreation and other resources will be fully examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Please see the Master Response on the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component.



From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf Of Eric Bernhard  
Sent: Tuesday, March 24, 2009 9:52 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Mar 24, 2009

Mr. Thomas Francis  
375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

Dear Mr. Francis,

Please do not enlarge the Pardee and Lower Bear reservoirs drowning a segment of the Mokelumne River.

The Lower Bear reservoir enlargement could alter Mokelumne River flows that have been improved to benefit fish, wildlife, and recreation. These improved flows took years to negotiate as part of PG&E's federal hydroelectric license. EBMUD's proposed reservoir enlargements will thwart the decades of work that have gone into making the Mokelumne a more viable recreation resource that will economically benefit foothill communities.

Please revise the Plan to eliminate the Pardee and Lower Bear Reservoir enlargements. The Plan should focus on increased conservation, recycling, and drought year rationing instead.

Sincerely,

Mr. Eric Bernhard  
245 Lerwick Dr  
Monterey, CA 93940-5411

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**Eric Bernhard (EBe)**

EBe-1. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir and Enlarge Lower Bear Reservoir components of the WSMP 2040.

EBe-2. Please see response Form Letter 3-3.

From: erin.teresa.devlin@gmail.com [mailto:erin.teresa.devlin@gmail.com]

Sent: Friday, March 27, 2009 8:40 PM

To: Francis, Thomas

Subject: Please drop plans to expand Pardee Reservoir

PLEASE LISTEN TO US!!! We will not back down. I'm especially concerned for the value the American Indian population places on this area. We've stolen enough from them. I will fight for them to the end.

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Thanks for listening, and I support the opinions in the following letter...

Dear East Bay MUD and local officials: I urge you to drop your plans to build a new Pardee Dam and expand Pardee Reservoir as part of the EBMUD 2040 water plan.

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\* A new dam will be too expensive for EBMUD ratepayers, provide relatively little new water, and harm miles of the Mokelumne River.

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\* Enlarging Pardee will drown a part of the Mokelumne popular for kayaking and fishing, submerge or require removal of the historic Middle Bar Bridge and river access facilities, inundate cultural resources, require construction of a new Highway 49 bridge, and seasonally inundate nearly a mile of river proposed for National Wild and Scenic River designation by the Bureau of Land Management.

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\* Enlarging Pardee will destroy decades of work and investment by public agencies and local residents to improve recreational use of the Mokelumne River, thwarting local efforts to use the river for economic development.

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\* Creating dead-end roads approaching the river will cut off a critical fire evacuation route for residents of Middle Bar and Gwin Mine roads.

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\* There is no reason to destroy more miles of a popular river used by locals and visitors alike and its fish habitat. You can avoid the environmental, social and economic cost by using your water supplies, including the new American River water supply, more efficiently.

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Please leave these miles of the Mokelumne a river for future generations.

Erin Devlin  
211 Hoffman St  
Jackson, CA 95642

## Erin Devlin (EDe)

- EDe-1. EBMUD recognizes the importance of the Mokelumne River to the Me-wuk people and their cultural practices. EBMUD will consult with the Me-wuk and will conduct a thorough evaluation of cultural resources impacts, including impacts on current cultural practices and any sacred sites, in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component.
- EDe-2. Please see response Form Letter 2-1.
- EDe-3. Please see response Form Letter 2-2.
- EDe-4. Please see response Form Letter 2-3.
- EDe-5. Please see response Form Letter 2-4.
- EDe-6. Please see response Form Letter 2-5.
- EDe-7. Please see response Form Letter 2-6.

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf Of Eugenia Larson  
Sent: Wednesday, March 18, 2009 10:46 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Mar 19, 2009

Mr. Thomas Francis  
375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

Dear Mr. Francis,

Please do not enlarge the Pardee and Lower Bear reservoirs downing a segment of the Mokelumne River. 1

My husband and I think that East Bay MUD should be able to meet our future water needs without making the Pardee or Lower Bear Reservoirs any larger. The proposed Water Supply Management Plan appears to be greatly overestimating the future water demand. It also appears that 2

the Plan is reatly underestimating the quantity of water which could be produced by increasing our water conservation, recycling, groundwater storage, and increased rationing during drought years.

Increasing the size of the Pardee reservoir will inundate a portion of the Mokelumne River that has been recommended by the BLM for wild and scenic river protection due to its scenic beauty and popularity for boating and fishing. The Pardee enlargement would destroy the recently renovated Middle Bar Bridge and other existing and proposed public access facilities, as well as require the costly relocation of the Hwy 49 bridge. 3

Enlarging the Lower Bear reservoir will probably alter Mokelumne River flows that have been improved to the benefit of its fish and wildlife, as well as its recreation. These improved flows took years to negotiate as part of PG&E's federal hydroelectric license. EBMUD's proposed reservoir enlargements will thwart the decades of work that have gone into making the Mokelumne a more viable recreation resource that will economically benefit foothill communities. 4

Please try harder to conserve water and improve other aspects of the Mokelumne management so enlarging these reservoirs is not needed! 5

Please revise the Plan to eliminate the Pardee and Lower Bear Reservoir enlargements. The Plan should focus on increased conservation, recycling, and drought year rationing instead. 6

Sincerel y,

Mrs. Eugeni a Larson

160 Canyon Green Pl  
San Ramon, CA 94582-4614

## Eugenia Larson (EL)

- EL-1. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir and Enlarge Lower Bear Reservoir components of the WSMP 2040.
- EL-2. EBMUD supports increased water conservation and has included a high level of conservation in the WSMP 2040. The alternative development process included an in-depth evaluation of over 50 components and a range of portfolios before the Board selected the Preferred Portfolio. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives.
- EL-3. Please see response Form Letter 3-2.
- EL-4. Please see response Form Letter 3-3.
- EL-5. Please see response EL-2 for a discussion of components included in the WSMP 2040.
- EL-6. EBMUD recognizes the value of water conservation, recycling and rationing, and has included them as components in the Preferred Portfolio. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040.



From: burlchild@hotmail.com [mailto:burlchild@hotmail.com]  
Sent: Monday, March 23, 2009 3:03 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Please drop plans to expand Pardee Reservoir

Dear East Bay MUD and local officials: I urge you to drop your plans to build a new Pardee Dam and expand Pardee Reservoir as part of the EBMUD 2040 water plan.

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\* A new dam will be too expensive for EBMUD ratepayers, provide relatively little new water, and harm miles of the Mokelumne River.

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\* Enlarging Pardee will drown a part of the Mokelumne popular for kayaking and fishing, submerge or require removal of the historic Middle Bar Bridge and river access facilities, inundate cultural resources, require construction of a new Highway 49 bridge, and seasonally inundate nearly a mile of river proposed for National Wild and Scenic River designation by the Bureau of Land Management.

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\* Enlarging Pardee will destroy decades of work and investment by public agencies and local residents to improve recreational use of the Mokelumne River, thwarting local efforts to use the river for economic development.

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\* Creating dead-end roads approaching the river will cut off a critical fire evacuation route for residents of Middle Bar and Gwin Mine roads.

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\* There is no reason to destroy more miles of a popular river and its fish habitat. You can avoid the environmental, social and economic cost by using your water supplies, including the new American River water supply, more efficiently.

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I have fished and swan all my life (34 years) in the reach of the "Moke" that would be ruined by this proposed dam hight increase. Please dont let this project happen to what free flowing river is left. The value of this reach is in recreation, wildlife habitat and tourism, which will bring far more to Amador and Calaveris county residents and buisnesses than any expanded pool of water. Besides drowning one of the bast fishing spots in the foothills, it would be the end of a much loved sction of whi te water.

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Please leave these miles of the Mokelumne a river for future generations.

Eugene Wier  
15098 Muller Rd  
Plymouth, CA 95669

## Eugene Wier (EW)

EW-1. Please see response Form Letter 2-1.

EW-2. Please see response Form Letter 2-2.

EW-3. Please see response Form Letter 2-3.

EW-4. Please see response Form Letter 2-4.

EW-5. Please see response Form Letter 2-5.

EW-6. Please see response Form Letter 2-6.

EW-7. EBMUD recognizes the importance of the Mokelumne River to the local community. EBMUD also recognizes the many recreational opportunities provided by the Mokelumne River (please see pages 4.2.D-5 through 4.2.D-6 of the Draft PEIR and FC-24). Impacts to recreation and wildlife habitat will be thoroughly examined in the project-level EIR for this component, when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning. The project-level EIR will also identify specific mitigation measures to reduce significant impacts.

From: ezorbas@att.net [mailto:ezorbas@att.net]  
Sent: Tue 4/28/2009 6:41 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Please drop plans to expand Pardee Reservoir

Dear East Bay MUD and local officials: I urge you to drop your plans to build a new Pardee Dam and expand Pardee Reservoir as part of the EBMUD 2040 water plan.

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A new dam will be too expensive for EBMUD ratepayers, provide relatively little new water, and harm miles of the Mokelumne River.

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There is no reason to destroy more miles of a popular river used by locals and visitors alike and its fish habitat. You can avoid the environmental, social and economic cost by using your water supplies, including the new American River water supply, more efficiently.

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Enlarging Pardee will drown a part of the Mokelumne popular for kayaking and fishing, submerge or require removal of the historic Middle Bar Bridge and river access facilities, inundate important cultural resources, require construction of a new Highway 49 bridge, and seasonally inundate nearly a mile of river proposed for National Wild and Scenic River designation by the Bureau of Land Management.

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Enlarging Pardee will destroy decades of work and investment by public agencies and local residents to improve recreational use of the Mokelumne River, thwarting local efforts to use the river for economic development.

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Please leave these miles of the Mokelumne a river for future generations.

Elaine Zorbas  
P.O. Box 566  
Plymouth, CA 95669

## Elaine Zorbas (EZ)

- EZ-1. Please see response Form Letter 2-1.
- EZ-2. Please see response Form Letter 2-2.
- EZ-3. Please see response Form Letter 2-6.
- EZ-4. Please see response Form Letter 2-3.
- EZ-5. Please see response Form Letter 2-4.

-----Original Message-----

From: innkeeper@foxesinn.com [mailto:innkeeper@foxesinn.com]

Sent: Saturday, March 07, 2009 2:17 PM

To: Francis, Thomas

Subject: Please drop plans to expand Pardee Reservoir

Dear East Bay MUD and local officials: I urge you to drop your plans to build a new Pardee Dam and expand Pardee Reservoir as part of the EBMUD 2040 water plan.

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\* Creating dead-end roads approaching the river will cut off a critical fire evacuation route for residents of Middle Bar and Gwin Mine roads.

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\* There is no reason to destroy more miles of a popular river and its fish habitat. You can avoid the environmental, social and economic cost by using your water supplies, including the new American River water supply, more efficiently.

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Many tourists come to Amador County to enjoy the fishing and kayaking on the river.

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Please leave these miles of the Mokelumne a river for future generations.

Monique Graziadei The Foxes Inn Bed and Breakfast  
77 Main Street  
Sutter Creek, CA 95685

## The Foxes Inn Bed and Breakfast (FI)

- FI-1. Please see response Form Letter 2-1.
- FI-2. Please see response Form Letter 2-2.
- FI-3. Please see response Form Letter 2-3.
- FI-4. Please see response Form Letter 2-4.
- FI-5. Please see response Form Letter 2-5.
- FI-6. Please see response Form Letter 2-6.
- FI-7. EBMUD recognizes the many recreational opportunities provided by the Mokelumne River. Impacts to recreation will be thoroughly examined in the project-level EIR for this component, when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning. The project-level EIR will also identify specific mitigation measures to reduce significant impacts.

From: Gail & Ted Bunge [mailto:tg**bunge@comcast.net**]  
Sent: Thursday, March 19, 2009 8:12 AM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Pardee

Thomas Francis  
EBMD Water Supply Improvements Division  
375 11th St. MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

Dear Mr. Francis,

We have lived in the Sierra foothills for over thirty years and are very concerned about the proposed enlargement of Pardee Reservoir and the subsequent flooding of part of the Mokelumne River. We saw this happen to the Stanislaus River when New Melones was built. We are dedicated and committed to preserving as much of our natural resources as we can. In this age of increased population, resource usage and climate change, it is more important to discuss conservation measures than to destroy our beautiful resources. Our natural rivers and watersheds should be preserved for future generation, not changed to meet the needs of a few.

Please let us know about future plans for the river.

Thank you,

Gail & Ted Bunge  
POB 53  
Avery, CA 95224  
209.795.1329  
[tg\*\*bunge@comcast.net\*\*](mailto:tg<b>bunge@comcast.net</b>)

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## Gail & Ted Bunge (GBu)

- GBu-1. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040. Please see the Master Response on the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Project impacts will be thoroughly evaluated in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning for this component.
- GBu-2. EBMUD supports increased water conservation and has included a high level of conservation in the WSMP 2040. The alternative development process included an in-depth evaluation of over 50 components and a range of portfolios before the Board selected the Preferred Portfolio. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives.

Conservation Level D was selected for inclusion in the Preferred Portfolio because it establishes an aggressive conservation goal that is greater than the District's current level of investment and it ensures that the District will continue to be a leader in the demand management aspects of future water supply planning.

-----Original Message-----

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf Of George Marro  
Sent: Wednesday, March 18, 2009 2:15 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Mar 18, 2009

Mr. Thomas Francis  
375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

Dear Mr. Francis,

Please do not enlarge the Pardee and Lower Bear reservoirs downing a segment of the Mokelumne River.

I have been kayaking on the Moke for over twenty years. I do not want

to see it flooded. I would like to bring my kids to this river to kayak and enjoy it.

I believe that EBMUD can easily meet its future water needs without enlarging the Pardee or Lower Bear Reservoirs. EBMUD's proposed Water Supply Management Plan is significantly overestimating future demand. In addition, the Plan substantially underestimates the amount of water that could be produced by reasonable and achievable increases in water conservation, recycling, groundwater storage, and increased rationing during drought years.

The Pardee reservoir enlargement will drown a segment of the Mokelumne River recommended by the BLM for wild and scenic river protection. This section is also popular for kayaking and fishing. The Pardee enlargement would destroy the recently renovated Middle Bar Bridge and other existing and proposed public access facilities, as well as require the costly relocation of the Hwy 49 bridge.

The Lower Bear reservoir enlargement could alter Mokelumne River flows that have been improved to benefit fish, wildlife, and recreation. These improved flows took years to negotiate as part of PG&E's federal hydroelectric license. EBMUD's proposed reservoir enlargements will thwart the decades of work that have gone into making the Mokelumne a more viable recreation resource that will economically benefit foothill communities.

Please revise the Plan to eliminate the Pardee and Lower Bear Reservoir enlargements. The Plan should focus on increased conservation, recycling, and drought year rationing instead.

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Mr. George Marro  
595 Valley View Rd  
Ben Lomond, CA 95005-9333

## George Marro (GMarr)

- GMarr-1. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir and Enlarge Lower Bear Reservoir components of the WSMP 2040.
- GMarr-2. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040. EBMUD recognizes the importance of the Mokelumne River to the local community and EBMUD appreciates the commenter's support and enjoyment of recreation opportunities on the Mokelumne River. EBMUD recognizes the many recreational opportunities provided by the Mokelumne River (please see pages 4.2.D-5 through 4.2.D-6 of the Draft PEIR and FC-24). At this stage, there is no certainty regarding the impacts of the potential Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Please see the Master Response on Program-level EIR analysis. Impacts to recreation will be thoroughly examined in the project-level EIR for this component, when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning. The project-level EIR will also identify specific mitigation measures to reduce significant impacts. Please see the Master Response on the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Please also see the response to FC-6 for a discussion of local opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component.
- GMarr-3. Please see response Form Letter 3-1.
- GMarr-4. Please see response Form Letter 3-2.
- GMarr-5. Please see response Form Letter 3-3.

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf Of Gregory Reis  
Sent: Thursday, March 26, 2009 8:34 AM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Mar 26, 2009

Mr. Thomas Francis  
375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

Dear Mr. Francis,

Please do not enlarge the Pardee and Lower Bear reservoirs drowning a segment of the Mokelumne River.

I believe that EBMUD can easily meet its future water needs without enlarging the Pardee or Lower Bear Reservoirs. EBMUD's proposed Water Supply Management Plan is significantly overestimating future demand. In addition, the Plan substantially underestimates the amount of water that could be produced by reasonable and achievable increases in water conservation, recycling, groundwater storage, and increased rationing during drought years.

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The Pardee reservoir enlargement will drown a segment of the Mokelumne River recommended by the BLM for wild and scenic river protection. This section is also popular for kayaking and fishing. The Pardee enlargement would destroy the recently renovated Middle Bar Bridge and other existing and proposed public access facilities, as well as require the costly relocation of the Hwy 49 bridge.

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The Lower Bear reservoir enlargement could alter Mokelumne River flows that have been improved to benefit fish, wildlife, and recreation. These improved flows took years to negotiate as part of PG&E's federal hydroelectric license. EBMUD's proposed reservoir enlargements will thwart the decades of work that have gone into making the Mokelumne a more viable recreation resource that will economically benefit foothill communities.

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In addition, there is a fundamentally flawed approach here. Existing water needs should be reduced through conservation and reclamation until they match the lowest possible multi-year drought water availability--in every year, forever, so no water rationing is ever necessary. Any other approach is unsustainable. There is no need to be greedy and take what ecosystems need in wetter years through increased storage.

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Please revise the Plan to eliminate the Pardee and Lower Bear Reservoir enlargements. The Plan should focus on increased conservation, recycling, and drought year rationing instead.

Sincerely,

Mr. Gregory Reis  
PO Box 41  
Lee Vining, CA 93541-0041

## **Gregory Reis (GRe)**

GRe-1. Please see response Form Letter 1-1.

GRe-2. Please see response Form Letter 1-2.

GRe-3. Please see response Form Letter 1-3.

GRe-4. Please see response Form Letter 1-4.

From: Hope Baird [mailto:hsb70122@hotmail.com]  
Sent: Thursday, March 26, 2009 1:39 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Proposed expansion of Pardee Reservoir

Mr. Francis,

I am a former EBMUD customers - having lived in the Bay Area for many years, I do appreciate the need for a reliable water supply to a dense, urban population. I now live in Calaveras County and have, in the past few years, enjoyed the natural beauty of the Mokelumne River, particularly the Middle Bar section that EBMUD proposes to flood in order to expand Pardee.

Please find another way. As Californians, we must explore every option (such as ways to substantially increase conservation) before we further and willfully destroy our environmental heritage. The longterm and, in my opinion, more enlightened view would be to cherish the ever diminishing land.

Thank you,  
Hope Baird  
West Point, CA  
95255

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## Hope Baird (HB)

HB-1. The District acknowledges the commenter's support for water conservation, water recycling and other soft path projects, as well as the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. As stated in the Master Response on the WSMP 2040, the District is committed to implementing high levels of water conservation and recycling.

Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives

From: heidi\_lawson@yahoo.com [mailto:heidi\_lawson@yahoo.com]  
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2009 9:01 AM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Please drop plans to expand Pardee Reservoir

Dear East Bay MUD and local officials:

I strongly urge you to drop your plans to build a new Pardee Dam and expand Pardee Reservoir as part of the EBMUD 2040 water plan. I love the Mokelumne River! We swim, raft and kayak and just sit by the river and appreciate it. Please don't destroy the Mokelumne.

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\* A new dam will be too expensive for EBMUD ratepayers, provide relatively little new water, and harm miles of the Mokelumne River.

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\* Enlarging Pardee will drown a part of the Mokelumne popular for kayaking and fishing, submerge or require removal of the historic Middle Bar Bridge and river access facilities, inundate cultural resources, require construction of a new Highway 49 bridge, and seasonally inundate nearly a mile of river proposed for National Wild and Scenic River designation by the Bureau of Land Management.

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\* Enlarging Pardee will destroy decades of work and investment by public agencies and local residents to improve recreational use of the Mokelumne River, thwarting local efforts to use the river for economic development.

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\* Creating dead-end roads approaching the river will cut off a critical fire evacuation route for residents of Middle Bar and Gwin Mine roads.

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\* There is no reason to destroy more miles of a popular river used by locals and visitors alike and its fish habitat. You can avoid the environmental, social and economic cost by using your water supplies, including the new American River water supply, more efficiently.

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Please leave these miles of the Mokelumne a river for future generations.

Heidi Lawson  
P.O. Box 3070  
Arnold, CA 95223

## Heidi Lawson (HL)

- HL-1. EBMUD recognizes the many recreational opportunities provided by the Mokelumne River. Impacts to recreation will be thoroughly examined in the project-level EIR for this component, when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning. The project-level EIR will also identify specific mitigation measures to reduce significant impacts. Please also see response Form Letter 2-1.
- HL-2. Please see response Form Letter 2-2.
- HL-3. Please see response Form Letter 2-3.
- HL-4. Please see response Form Letter 2-4.
- HL-5. Please see response Form Letter 2-5.
- HL-6. Please see response Form Letter 2-6.

From: Holly Mines [mailto:hymines@yahoo.com]  
Sent: Monday, May 04, 2009 3:20 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: response to WSMP 2040 EIR

Regarding: Response to the 2040 Water Supply Management Plan EIR

Dear Mr. Francis,

While there are many reasons to oppose the proposed expansion of Pardee Reservoir as a solution to your long range water supply for EBMUD ratepayers, I wish to address the issue of Environmental Justice, which is required by CEQA.

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Table 1-1, pages 1-13 to 1-22 of the WSMP 2040 Draft PEIR indicates that there will be no impact from the enlargement of Pardee Reservoir as it relates to:

*ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE, 5/2L-1: Potential disproportionate impact to densely populated minority and low income communities.*

Defining Environmental Justice in this way automatically excludes rural communities since we are not densely populated. The removal of this highly valued natural resource, which provides resources for our Native American population of Mi-Wuk Indians, economic opportunities for two counties with far fewer options for economic development than those available to the rate payers in your district and the conversion of an accessible, free flowing river where families can enjoy a gentle whitewater experience to a reservoir in a county already dammed up on both borders (the Mokelumne and the Stanislaus Rivers) constitutes a clear environmental injustice to the residents of our area.

2

The Environmental Justice setting section of CEQA is very informative. It notes that environmental justice issues can be triggered by income disparities and by disparities in democratic representation. First, regarding income levels, the EBMUD counties (Alameda & Contra Costa) that want to lay waste to an Upcountry river canyon and take Upcountry water have median incomes (\$64,424 & \$74,241) above the State median (\$53,770), while the median incomes of Calaveras and Amador counties (\$41,022 and \$42,280) are considerably below the state median. These latter two counties have incomes that are 80% of the State median and below the "low – income" marker of (\$43,061). Second, regarding disparities of democratic representation, the counties that will get the bulk of the water from the preferred portfolio get to elect directors to the EBMUD Board that makes the decision, while the counties that get the dams, the flooded canyon, the dam construction traffic, and the air pollution do not get to vote for the EBMUD Board. The scales of

environmental justice are tilting steeply against the Upcountry counties. The final PEIR should note this.

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The Executive Summary of the Draft Program EIR also reminds us that Section 15123 of CEQA Guidelines requires identification of areas of controversy. Among those raised by agencies and the “public” were:

- Opposition to cross-Delta water transfers
- Opposition to Buckhorn Reservoir

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Apparently the “public” does not include the residents of Calaveras and Amador, where there has been tremendous opposition to the portfolio calling for expansion of Pardee. In fact, there were never any scoping sessions or public meetings held in our area, which is the primary source of your water supply. You have unjustly ignored an important area of controversy.

Please reconsider your options to take into consideration the citizens of Calaveras and Amador counties. There are other more just ways to provide the water needed to your rate users. These include increased levels of rationing and a tiered rate structure that would make those who consume huge quantities of fresh water to fill their swimming pools and water thirsty lawns or corporations such as Chevron, who continue to show record profits during this economic downturn, pay their fair share of water consumption!

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Sincerely,  
Holly Mines

Holly Mines  
PO Box 381  
Rail Road Flat, CA 95248  
209-293-4953

## Holly Mines (HMi)

- HMi-1. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040.
- HMi-2. Please see Response FC3-39. EBMUD commits to considering environmental justice issues related to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component as part of the CEQA process that would be undertaken when and if this component advances to the project-specific development stage.
- HMi-3. Please see Response FC3-6. Opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component has been added to the Section 1.5, Areas of Controversy.
- HMi-4. Please see Responses SCSFB2-7 and SCSFB2-17 for a discussion of EBMUD's rate pricing structure. EBMUD supports increased water conservation and has included a high level of conservation in the WSMP 2040. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives.

From: phyllisluckman [mailto:phyllisluckman@att.net]  
Sent: Monday, March 16, 2009 1:49 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Pardee Dam

Thomas B. Francis  
EBMUD

Dear Mr. Francis,

We are long-time EBMUD customers. We urge you to reject the idea of expanding Pardee Dam.

Our water crisis should be solved through conservation alone. We personally have reduced our water usage about 40%. Everybody could do it if they try. If they don't, severe penalties should be imposed.

Dams destroy large areas of land and have to be constantly monitored to be sure they don't silt up. Dams are very expensive and provide a relatively small amount of water in return.

Please keep us informed of developments regarding Pardee Dam by email:

[phyllisluckman@yahoo.com](mailto:phyllisluckman@yahoo.com).

Yours truly,  
Mr and Mrs Irwin Luckman  
668 Fairmount Ave  
Oakland, CA

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## Mr. and Mrs. Irwin Luckman (IL)

- IL-1. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040.
- IL-2. The District acknowledges the commenter's support for water conservation. EBMUD supports increased water conservation and has included a high level of conservation in the WSMP 2040. Conservation Level D was selected for inclusion in the Preferred Portfolio because it establishes an aggressive conservation goal that is greater than the District's current level of investment and it ensures that the District will continue to be a leader in the demand management aspects of future water supply planning. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040.
- IL-3. At this stage, there is no certainty regarding the impacts of the potential Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Project impacts will be fully examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. As part of project-level planning, EBMUD will examine options for siting of a new dam, evaluate the type of dam, identify suitable embankment elevations, and develop associated reservoir storage volumes and yields. EBMUD believes the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component would provide a reliable water supply to meet the Need for Water in dry years. If the WSMP 2040 is approved and implemented, EBMUD will pursue multiple supplemental supply components simultaneously, with the most cost effective and efficient projects being pursued first. The District would seek to involve partner agencies to share costs and to provide regional benefits in terms of yield.
- IL-4. EBMUD has added the commenter's name and contact information to its mailing list and will keep the commenter informed of developments related to the WSMP 2040 and PEIR.



From: jayanderson@comcast.net [mailto:jayanderson@comcast.net]  
Sent: Monday, March 16, 2009 5:18 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Please drop plans to expand Pardee Reservoir

Dear East Bay MUD and local officials: I urge you to drop your plans to build a new Pardee Dam and expand Pardee Reservoir as part of the EBMUD 2040 water plan.

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This section of the Mokelumne river is a tremendous resource and should not be flooded. I have enjoyed this river for kayaking. It is one of the very few "easy" whitewater rivers that we have in the state and makes an ideal training ground. Another kayaking father and I used this river many times over the last three years to work with our sons as they learned to kayak.

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Every time that I have kayaked on the river, I have observed many people enjoying the river and it's riparian areas for a variety of recreational activities including fishing, hiking, picnicking, tubing, and just "going to the river" with the family. I see many rivers in the state and this one certainly is highly-utilized relative to the average.

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The section that you would destroy has value beyond recreation. The area has historic and cultural significance. It also contains precious riparian habitat that cannot be replaced.

We need to move beyond more-and-bigger-dams and find real solutions to our water issues. Please focus your energy on conservation, water re-use, local collection, de-salinization and other solutions that are scalable and will matter over time. Damming this river will provide a small increment in supply (at best) and is not a repeatable, scalable thing to do. It is not cost-effective and not a solution oriented to California's future.

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Sincerely,  
Jay Anderson  
22384 Riverside Dr  
Cupertino, CA 95014

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22384 Riverside Drive  
Cupertino, CA 95014

## Jay Anderson (JaAn)

- JaAn-1. The District acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040.
- JaAn-2. EBMUD recognizes the many recreational opportunities provided by the Mokelumne River. Impacts to recreation will be thoroughly examined in the project-level EIR for this component, when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning. The project-level EIR will also identify specific mitigation measures to reduce significant impacts. Please see response AW-1 for a discussion of the Electra Run.
- JaAn-3. At this stage, there is no certainty regarding the impacts of the potential Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Impacts to cultural resources, fisheries, wildlife, and other resources will be thoroughly examined in the project-level EIR for this component, when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning.
- JaAn-4. The alternative development process included an in-depth evaluation of over 50 components and a range of portfolios before the Board selected the Preferred Portfolio. Please see the Master Responses on the WSMP 2040 and Enlarge Pardee Reservoir components.

The District acknowledges the commenter's support for water conservation, water recycling and other soft path projects, as well as the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. As stated in the Master Response on the WSMP 2040, the District is committed to implementing high levels of water conservation and recycling, as well as desalination.

- JaAn-5. EBMUD believes the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component would provide a reliable water supply to meet the Need for Water in dry years. As stated in the Master Response on the WSMP 2040, EBMUD will pursue multiple supplemental supply components simultaneously, with the most cost effective and efficient projects being pursued first. The District would seek to involve partner agencies to share costs and to provide regional benefits in terms of yield.

From: Janet Brown [mailto:jsb\_ams@yahoo.com]  
Sent: Sat 3/21/2009 1:09 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: proposed expansion of Pardee Reservoir

Sir:

I am a resident of the East Bay, and a customer of EBMUD. I am opposed to the proposed enlargement of the Pardee Reservoir on the Mokelumne River. This plan will do damage both to the environment and to the recreational resource the river provides. Instead, enforce strict water conservation practices by all your customers, and encourage water recycling wherever possible. As a life-long resident of California, I have seen our population expand dramatically. Before we sacrifice our wild, scenic areas to this growth in water demand, we should work harder to reduce the demand in all years, not just in so-called "drought years."  
Thank you for your consideration of this matter. Janet Brown

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## Janet Brown (JBr)

JBr-1. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040. Please see the Master Response on the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Project impacts on the environment and on recreation resources will be thoroughly evaluated in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning for this component.

JBr-2. EBMUD supports increased water conservation and recycled water and has included a high level of conservation and recycled water in the WSMP 2040. The alternative development process included an in-depth evaluation of over 50 components and a range of portfolios before the Board selected the Preferred Portfolio. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives.

Conservation Level D was selected for inclusion in the Preferred Portfolio because it establishes an aggressive conservation goal that is greater than the District's current level of investment and it ensures that the District will continue to be a leader in the demand management aspects of future water supply planning. This effort by EBMUD will continue to include education and outreach to encourage conservation in all years.

From: Joanne Drabek [mailto:joanne1892@gmail.com]  
Sent: Monday, May 04, 2009 5:04 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: 2020 draft EIR

To Thomas Francis and the EBMUD Board of Directors

As you move forward with your 2020 plan,  
PLEASE

increase rationing above 10%

do not increase the size of any dam, or build new ones

use more tiered pricing with the top tier being very expensive to help encourage conservation and to cover the cost of the lowest/basic-needs-only tier.

Thank you for your attention in planning long term for our water supply.

Sincerely yours,

Joanne Drabek  
40 Saddle Brook Court  
Oakland CA 94619

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## Joanne Drabek (JDr)

- JDr-1. As a note of clarification, the Draft PEIR evaluates the Water Supply Management Program (WSMP) 2040 proposed by EBMUD.
- JDr-2. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's support for a 10 percent rationing level. Please see Response FC3-5. As discussed elsewhere, EBMUD selected a level of rationing that is considered to be most feasible, allowing flexibility as necessary during dry years.

EBMUD selected a rationing level of 10 percent in part because of the potential difficulties in achieving higher levels as demand hardens and conservation measures are implemented. As stated on page 2-7 of the Draft PEIR, the benefit of targeting a 10 percent rationing level in the WSMP 2040 is that it preserves the flexibility to increase rationing above 10 percent as one of several possible responses to dry-year conditions. EBMUD will be unable to reduce the target rationing level to 10 percent until it develops additional dry-year supplemental water supplies. As new supplemental supplies are secured, EBMUD will be able to gradually reduce the level of rationing it imposes on its customers. Until supplemental supplies are secured, higher rationing restrictions may be imposed in a specific drought event.

- JDr-3. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to expanded dams and new dams.
- JDr-4. Please see the responses to SCSFB2-7 and SCSFB2-17 for a discussion of EBMUD's rate pricing structure.

From: EBMUD Web Request [mailto:administrator@ebmud.com]  
Sent: Sunday, April 12, 2009 10:58 AM  
To: Board of Directors  
Cc: Lewis, Lynelle; Cole, Risha  
Subject: Board of Directors: EBMUD Web Request

A new Customer Service Web Request has been submitted. The details of the request follow.

Topic: Board of Directors  
Name: Jonathan Fishman  
E-mail: [yonifish@yahoo.com](mailto:yonifish@yahoo.com)  
Phone: 209 795 6636  
Name on Account:  
Account Number:  
Address:

Issue: Re PIER of Moke river. I oppose any expansion of the resevoir. Store water down the hill. Fix your leaky delivery. Get your users to conserve. Don't grow. Leave us alone, and don't destroy our environment any more than you already have.

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## Jonathan Fishman (JFi)

JFi-1. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040. The alternative development process included an in-depth evaluation of over 50 components, including storage options in the EBMUD service area, and a range of portfolios before the Board selected the Preferred Portfolio. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives.

EBMUD has a program in place that adequately addresses the need for delivery system maintenance. The program monitors for and schedules the repair of system leaks.

EBMUD does not have the authority to control growth within its service area. Please see the Master Response on the Demand Study for further information.

EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's request that the District not interact with Foothill residents and instead "leave us alone". EBMUD held additional meetings in the Foothill region to discuss the WSMP 2040 at the request of Foothill elected officials. Further, EBMUD views it is important that such interaction continue to take place, as regional water partnership opportunities exist that would provide benefits to Foothill communities as well as EBMUD.



March 6, 2009

Thomas B. Francis  
EBMUD Water Supply Improvements Division  
375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

Dear Mr. Francis:

I oppose the Pardee Reservoir enlargement proposed in EBMUD's Water Supply Management Plan and Programmatic Environmental Impact Report.

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Building new and raising existing dams are simply too expensive for EBMUD ratepayers. These dam options provide relatively little water and will be harmful to the river.

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I have grown up in Amador County and now am raising my family here. For 30+ years I have swam, hiked and fished along the beautiful Mokelumne River. It would be a shame to flood this amazing natural area so my children and future generations can not have the chance to enjoy this scenic and wild river.

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The Pardee Reservoir enlargement will drown a segment of the Mokelumne River popular for kayaking and fishing, destroy existing and proposed public access facilities (including the Middle Bar Bridge), require the relocation of the Hwy 49 bridge, and seasonally inundate nearly a mile of the Mokelumne proposed for Wild & Scenic River protection by the Bureau of Land Management.

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EBMUD should more efficiently use its existing water supplies by increasing water conservation and recycling.

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Please inform me of any future decisions EBMUD may make concerning the plan and the proposed Pardee Reservoir enlargement.

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Thank you.

Sincerely:

Jenny Fritz  
P.O. Box 1664  
Sutter Creek, CA 95685  
209-296-2233  
artsychickenfarm@gmail.com

## Jenny Fritz (JFrit)

- JFrit-1. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040.
- JFrit-2. Please see response Form Letter 2-2.
- JFrit-3. EBMUD recognizes the many recreational opportunities provided by the Mokelumne River. At this stage, there is no certainty regarding the impacts of the potential Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Impacts to recreation will be thoroughly examined in the project-level EIR for this component, when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning. The project-level EIR will also identify specific mitigation measures to reduce significant impacts.
- JFrit-4. Please see response Form Letter 2-3.
- JFrit-5. The District acknowledges the commenter's support for water conservation and water recycling. As stated in the Master Response on the WSMP 2040, the District is committed to implementing high levels of water conservation and recycling.
- JFrit-6. EBMUD has added the commenter's name and contact information to its mailing list and will keep the commenter informed of developments related to the WSMP 2040 and PEIR.

-----Original Message-----

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf Of Janice Gloe  
Sent: Wednesday, March 18, 2009 9:15 AM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Mar 18, 2009

Mr. Thomas Francis  
375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

Dear Mr. Francis,

Please do not enlarge the Pardee and Lower Bear reservoirs downing a segment of the Mokelumne River.

I believe that EBMUD can easily meet its future water needs without enlarging the Pardee or Lower Bear Reservoirs. EBMUD's proposed Water Supply Management Plan is significantly overestimating future demand. In addition, the Plan substantially underestimates the amount of water that could be produced by reasonable and achievable increases in water conservation, recycling, groundwater storage, and increased rationing during drought years.

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The Pardee reservoir enlargement will drown a segment of the Mokelumne

River recommended by the BLM for wild and scenic river protection. This

section is also popular for kayaking and fishing. The Pardee enlargement would destroy the recently renovated Middle Bar Bridge and other existing and proposed public access facilities, as well as require the costly relocation of the Hwy 49 bridge.

2

The Lower Bear reservoir enlargement could alter Mokelumne River flows that have been improved to benefit fish, wildlife, and recreation. These improved flows took years to negotiate as part of PG&E's federal hydroelectric license. EBMUD's proposed reservoir enlargements will thwart the decades of work that have gone into making the Mokelumne a more viable recreation resource that will economically benefit foothill communities. PLEASE KEEP THE RIVER NATURAL, THE WAY IT

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IS SUPPOSED TO BE! PLEASE!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Please revise the Plan to eliminate the Pardee and Lower Bear Reservoir enlargements. The Plan should focus on increased conservation, recycling, and drought year rationing instead.

Sincerely,

Ms. Janice Gloe  
3100 Guido St  
Oakland, CA 94602-3521

**Janice Gloe 1 - Responses to Comment Letter #1 - 3/18/09 (JG1)**

JG1-1. Please see response Form Letter 3-1.

JG1-2. Please see response Form Letter 3-2.

JG1-3. Please see response Form Letter 3-3. EBMUD recognizes the importance of the Mokelumne River to the local community.

From: Friends of the River on behalf of Janice Gloe  
Sent: Sun 4/5/2009 1:01 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Apr 5, 2009

Mr. Thomas Francis  
375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

Dear Mr. Francis,

Please do not enlarge the Pardee and Lower Bear reservoirs drowning a segment of the Mokelumne River.

I believe that EBMUD can easily meet its future water needs without enlarging the Pardee or Lower Bear Reservoirs. EBMUD's proposed Water Supply Management Plan is significantly overestimating future demand. In addition, the Plan substantially underestimates the amount of water that could be produced by reasonable and achievable increases in water conservation, recycling, groundwater storage, and increased rationing during drought years.

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The Pardee reservoir enlargement will drown a segment of the Mokelumne River recommended by the BLM for wild and scenic river protection. This section is also popular for kayaking and fishing. The Pardee enlargement would destroy the recently renovated Middle Bar Bridge and other existing and proposed public access facilities, as well as require the costly relocation of the Hwy 49 bridge.

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The Lower Bear reservoir enlargement could alter Mokelumne River flows that have been improved to benefit fish, wildlife, and recreation. These improved flows took years to negotiate as part of PG&E's federal hydroelectric license. EBMUD's proposed reservoir enlargements will thwart the decades of work that have gone into making the Mokelumne a more viable recreation resource that will economically benefit foothill communities.

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PLEASE KEEP THE RIVER NATURAL, THE WAY IT IS SUPPOSED TO BE!  
PLEASE!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Please revise the Plan to eliminate the Pardee and Lower Bear Reservoir enlargements. The Plan should focus on increased conservation, recycling, and drought year rationing instead.

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Sincerely,

Ms. Janice Gloe

3100 Guido St  
Oakland, CA 94602-3521

## Janice Gloe 2 - Responses to Comment Letter #2 - 4/5/09 (JG2)

- JG2-1. Please see response Form Letter 1-1.
- JG2-2. Please see response Form Letter 1-2.
- JG2-3. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040. Project impacts will be fully examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Please also see response Form Letter 1-3.
- JG2-4. Please see response Form Letter 1-4.



From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf Of Joan Jernegan  
Sent: Tuesday, March 24, 2009 3:21 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Mar 24, 2009

Mr. Thomas Francis  
375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

Dear Mr. Francis,

Please do not enlarge the Pardee and Lower Bear reservoirs drowning a segment of the Mokelumne River.

My very first kayaking experience was in the 1970s on the Mokelumne River, in the area that you propose to drown by enlarging the Pardee reservoir.

This segment of the Mokelumne River has been recommended by the BLM for

wild and scenic river protection. Access to California's beautiful wild rivers must be preserved for the benefit of future generations.

The Pardee enlargement would destroy the recently renovated Middle Bar Bridge and other existing and proposed public access facilities, as well as require the costly relocation of the Hwy 49 bridge.

I believe that EBMUD can easily meet its future water needs without enlarging the Pardee or Lower Bear Reservoirs. EBMUD's proposed Water Supply Management Plan is significantly overestimating future demand. In addition, the Plan substantially underestimates the amount of water that could be produced by reasonable and achievable increases in water conservation, recycling, groundwater storage, and increased rationing during drought years.

The Lower Bear reservoir enlargement could alter Mokelumne River flows that have been improved to benefit fish, wildlife, and recreation.

These improved flows took years to negotiate as part of PG&E's federal hydroelectric license. EBMUD's proposed reservoir enlargements will thwart the decades of work that have gone into making the Mokelumne a more viable recreation resource that will economically benefit foothill communities.

Please revise the Plan to eliminate the Pardee and Lower Bear Reservoir enlargements. The Plan should focus on increased conservation, recycling, and drought year rationing instead.

Sincerely,

Ms. Joan Jernegan  
6195 View Way

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Auburn, CA 95602-9205

## Joan Jernegan (JJern)

- JJern-1. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir and Enlarge Lower Bear Reservoir components of the WSMP 2040.
- JJern-2. EBMUD recognizes the many recreational opportunities provided by the Mokelumne River (please see pages 4.2.D-5 through 4.2.D-6 of the Draft PEIR and FC-24). Impacts to recreation will be thoroughly examined in the project-level EIR for this component, when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning. The project-level EIR will also identify specific mitigation measures to reduce significant impacts. Please also see response Form Letter 3-2.
- JJern-3. Please see response Form Letter 3-1.
- JJern-4. Please see response Form Letter 3-3.

From: Citizens for San Andreas [mailto:ci tizensforsanandreas@yahoo.com]  
Sent: Fri 3/13/2009 7:45 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Pardee Expansion

Hi

We would like to express our concern over the proposed expansion of Pardee Reservoir. Our humble opinion is that EBMUD should educate their customers on the many ways that they can conserve water. Secondly you should establish a rate scale that dearly charges those customers that seem unable to use acceptable levels of water. Conservation, and not consumption is the most sensible approach to this situation especially since it would involve the loss of invaluable nature resources on the Mokelumne River.

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Thank You for your time.  
Jim & Barbara Kavanagh  
San Andreas, California  
209-754-3367

**Jim & Barbara Kavanagh (JKav)**

JKav-1. The District acknowledges the commenters' concerns regarding the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040. EBMUD supports increased water conservation and has included a high level of conservation in the WSMP 2040. Conservation Level D was selected for inclusion in the Preferred Portfolio because it establishes an aggressive conservation goal that is greater than the District's current level of investment and it ensures that the District will continue to be a leader in the demand management aspects of future water supply planning. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives.

Please see the responses to SCSFB2-7 and SCSFB2-17 for a discussion of EBMUD's rate pricing structure.

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf Of Josh McCoy  
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2009 5:52 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't flood that river!!!

Mar 31, 2009

Mr. Thomas Francis  
375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

Dear Mr. Francis,

Please do not enlarge the Pardee and Lower Bear reservoirs drowning a segment of the Mokelumne River.

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I'm sorry if you think it is necessary to enlarge Pardee. Flooding that section of the Moke is absolutely unacceptable. Ruining that kayaking, fishing and beauty will be considered nothing but a moral failure on your behalf. Please look into other alternatives.

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Please revise the Plan to eliminate the Pardee and Lower Bear Reservoir enlargements. The Plan should focus on increased conservation, recycling, and drought year rationing instead.

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Sincerely,

Mr. Josh McCoy  
2836 11th Ave  
Oakland, CA 94610-4004

**Josh McCoy (JMcCo)**

JMcCo-1. Please see response Form Letter 1-1.

JMcCo-2. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040. The District recognizes the importance of the Mokelumne River to the local community and the many recreational opportunities provided by it. Impacts to recreation will be thoroughly examined in the project-level EIR for this component, when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning. The project-level EIR will also identify specific mitigation measures to reduce significant impacts.

JMcCo-3. Please see response Form Letter 1-4.

From: Jill North [mailto:treehugger@volcano.net]  
Sent: Tue 3/17/2009 6:42 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Cc: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Fw: WATERSHED PEIR

WATERSHED PEIR  
MSMP 2040

I read this PEIR and I have a few comments and questions.

Although I am concerned about the possible affects a desalination plant in Suisun Bay may have on wildlife in that area, as a citizen of Amador County I'm more concerned about the consequences of raising Lower Bear and building a much larger new Pardee Dam.

And I'm still trying to cope with the fact that 90% of the water from our Mok River is diverted to Contra Costa and Alameda Counties!

1. In the original scenario, Portfolio C, whose main component was the construction of the Buckhorn Canyon Reservoir IN Contra Costa County, was opposed by environmentalists and other citizens in that area and was defeated in a Referendum in the 1990's. That project was actually IN your service area where water treatment facilities etc already exist.

Yet you want to facilitate development of higher dams in our area that would have the same consequences but to a greater extent. I realize rural areas have no political clout but we do know about referenda here.

2. The aerial picture on page 3-22 shows the inundation area. It is in shades of gray and hard to see exactly where the flooding would occur. There are no good reference points shown in order to orient oneself. To me this is a critical map but it is useless.

3. The new Pardee Dam would inundate an additional 1280 acres; an increase of over 50%. It would also raise the reservoir level an additional 33'. What is the depth of Pardee now? I ask because I learned a new word: SEICHE, which is essentially a Tsunami on an enclosed body of water. There are active earthquake faults in our foothill area eg the Melones and Bear Mountains faults and the Lone and Water Peak faults which are part of the Foothill Fault Zone. Pardee is actually IN the Bear Mt. fault zone. Now the depth of the enclosed body of water is related to the occurrence of Seiches. This project significantly raises the water level. Supposedly these seiches occur at great depth. So what is the definition of great depth? Pardee Dam is currently 345' high. The addition would make it 378'. Is that a great depth?

4. I didn't see a count for the number of OAKS to be removed or the acreage of oak woodlands to be flooded at Pardee or the number of trees that will be impacted at lower Bear. These numbers are critical for mitigation purposes and for keeping track of the loss of valuable oak woodlands/canopy in the foothills since they are a valuable CO2 sink for us as well as an aesthetic asset. I did note that a tree survey will be conducted to determine if heritage trees are in the project area. The term "heritage" is open to interpretation. All of our oaks are part of our heritage!

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5. There are several known and unknown mines in the area .Since all the vegetation in the area to be inundated is to be removed first, this includes trees, how will you deal with the possible aerosolization of arsenic contaminated soil due to past mining activity?

6. Who will pay for the new bridges on Hwy. 49 and Middle Bar?

7. Who will pay for the new roads or road alignments of Pardee Dam, Stony Creek and Middle Bar etc. and for the damage to those small rural roads which will be so heavily used for transporting tons of construction materials and debris to and from this huge dam site?

8. Under biological resources, pages 4.2.C-16,17 you list birds that occur in the 3 regional areas, ours being Upcountry. But there are several birds that we have here that aren't checked, they are listed but not checked. The first is the Osprey that can be seen on Pardee practically every day. I have seen Prairie Falcons, Ferruginous Hawks, Golden Eagles, and burrowing owls in Calaveras County around Paloma etc. and I saw a short eared owl once.

In the somewhat higher elevations you can often see Coopers and Sharp-shinned Hawks as well as Goldens eagles

9. On page 4.2.A-4 you talk about the loss of 56,000 to 120,000 AFY of water along the 21 mile Mok River channel between Camanche Dam and Lake Lodi due to leakage. As best as I can figure, that adds up to 107 MGD. Raising Pardee only adds 50% of the amount of that loss. Fix it!

10. I was looking for a projected growth rate in Contra Costa and Alameda Counties for the next 30years but I couldn't find that info only the projected growth rate for the State of 35%. That figure was used in this document. There are 1.9million persons there now so the guesstimate is 2.565million. Is that with or without the additional water? There is always a disclaimer by water agencies that water doesn't encourage or promote growth. This document states that WSMP would not Substantially Exceed demand. And on page 7-1 the document notes that "significant growth impacts could occur if the project provides infrastructure or service capability to accelerate growth beyond the levels projected". As a side note I'd also like to know the number of swimming pools, and lawns, in those service areas and their rate of evaporation.

11. There is private land around Pardee as well as JVID land. EBMUD plans to purchase easements or land to enable this project. How many Eminent Domain actions will occur?

12. Per negotiated water rights EBMUD can divert up to 325 MGD of water from the MOK. The estimate of customer demand in 2040 is 312 MGD reduced to 280MGD through conservation and some recycling. So where is the need for this dam raising?

13. EBMUD has a policy of limiting customer rationing to 25%. First, 25% of what figure, established when and then why? They aim for a rationing of 10% instead.

14. Will the Coast to Crest Trail on the south side of the reservoir be impacted by the flooding of Pardee?

15. Will the 2 major utility transmission lines that have to be moved generate their own EIR?

16. Would the flooding of known and unknown mines in the area have an impact on land/soil stability?

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17. How do water transfers between regional water districts work when the entire state is in a drought?

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18. Would the injection and storage of water have a seismic impact?

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19. Will Electra Road be flooded?

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20. How does this project impact PG&E's FERC water rights and responsibilities?

. I thought it was interesting to note that this document states there are no major highways in the area of the 2 dam projects. I guess 49 and 88 and 12 and 26 don't count.

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I attended the EBMUD meeting in Sutter Creek on Monday the 16th. What a sham the whole process was. First, this was the only public meeting in the only area that will be severely impacted by raising Pardee and Lower Bear. The meeting was essentially kept a secret from that public until the last minute. The smallest of venues was chosen to exclude public participation. The time limit of 3 minutes per speaker did not allow complete presentation of comments. I didn't care, nor did others, if we had to stay all night if we were allowed to thoughtfully present our issues. The meeting was not officially recorded which means that only 2 people from EBMUD were able to hear the passion and anger displayed in that tiny room. Everything about this event proves that EBMUD doesn't give a damn about Amador County Citizens or what the consequences of raising the dams will have on every aspect of life in our county. You only care about taking our water whatever the cost to us, not to you.

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I have no doubt that a referendum will be placed on the ballot in all 3 counties and that the referenda will be successful.

Respectfully submitted, Jill North,

Amador County.

## Jill North (JNo)

- JNo-1. The District acknowledges the commenter's concerns regarding the WSMP 2040.
- JNo-2. Please see response ACBOS2-6. The alternative development process included an in-depth evaluation of over 50 components and a range of portfolios before the Board selected the Preferred Portfolio. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives.
- JNo-3. Comment acknowledged. Figure 3-9, Enlarge Pardee Reservoir Component: Increase in Inundation Area (on Page 3-22 of the Draft PEIR), illustrates the approximate area that would be inundated as a result of the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. More detailed studies and analyses will be conducted, when and if EBMUD decides to move forward with project-level planning for this component. As part of project-level planning, EBMUD will develop reservoir storage volumes and yields and provide additional greater detail about the likely inundation area.
- JNo-4. EBMUD addresses the potential for seiche associated with the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component (please see pages 5.2.A-24 and 5.2.A-25). As stated in Impact 5.2.A-14, the risk of seiche from an expanded reservoir is equivalent to that currently posed by the existing reservoirs for seiche-induced damage, which is minimal. Therefore, impacts related to inundation from seiches are considered less than significant. At the project-specific level, the District would examine options for siting of a new dam, evaluate the type of dam, identify suitable embankment elevations, and develop associated reservoir storage volumes and yields. The District will prepare a project-level EIR that will thoroughly examine potential impacts to hydrology, including the risks of seiche, when and if it decides to move forward with project-level planning for this component.
- JNo-5. EBMUD acknowledges that oak woodlands are an important resource in the Upcountry region. At this stage, there is no certainty regarding the impacts of the potential Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Impacts related to biological resources and hazards will be fully examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning for this component. The project-level EIR will also identify specific mitigation measures to reduce significant impacts.
- JNo-6. At this stage, there is no certainty regarding the impacts of the potential Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Impacts related to hazards, transportation, and other resources will be thoroughly examined in the project-level EIR for this component, when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning. The project-level EIR will also identify specific mitigation measures to reduce significant impacts. Please see the Master Response on Program-level EIR analysis.
- JNo-7. Please see the Master Response on Program-level EIR analysis. Project impacts on wildlife, including specific bird species, will be thoroughly evaluated in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Appendix C of the

Draft PEIR provides additional information on typical habitats for special-status birds, including raptors, western burrowing owl, and Swainson's hawks.

- JNo-8. Channel losses are a normal occurrence along a natural waterway such as the Mokelumne River. As noted on pages 4.2.A-3 and 4.2.A-4 of the Draft PEIR, EBMUD recognizes this and releases carriage water from Camanche Reservoir to ensure sufficient flows reach downstream users. Channel losses on the lower Mokelumne River range from about 56,000 to 120,000 acre-feet per year. To avoid these losses or "fix the leaks" as the commenter suggests, a lined bypass channel would need to be constructed. This would cause adverse impacts to important habitat along the riparian corridor that could be averted by continuing to use the river to transport water. Please see the Master Responses on Program-level EIR analysis and the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. At the project-specific level, a broad array of alternative configuration assumptions would be analyzed. For example, the District would examine options for siting of a new dam, evaluate the type of dam, identify suitable embankment elevations, and develop associated reservoir storage volumes and yields.
- JNo-9. Please see the Master Response on the Demand Study for a discussion of demand assumptions and projections. Please see response FC3-62 for a discussion of growth inducement.
- JNo-10. At the project-level, EBMUD will examine options for siting of a new dam, when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. At this point, EBMUD will evaluate the possibilities for purchasing additional land and/or easements.
- JNo-11. Please see the Master Response on the Demand Study for a discussion of demand assumptions and projections. EBMUD believes the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component would provide a reliable water supply in dry years.
- JNo-12. Please see response FC3-5.
- JNo-13. Please see the Master Response on Program-level EIR analysis. At this stage, there is no certainty regarding the impacts of the potential Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Impacts related to recreation, utilities, hazards, and other resources will be thoroughly evaluated in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component.
- JNo-14. Water transfer partners would need to be identified and terms of agreement negotiated, when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning for the Northern California Water Transfers component. Additional analysis will be conducted at the project level. Please see the Master Response on Program-level EIR analysis.
- JNo-15. Please see response JN-13, above.
- JNo-16. Please see responses PGE-2 through PGE-5.

**Jill North (JNo)**

JNo-17. Please see response FC3-28.

JNo-18. Please see response AWA-6. EBMUD recognized the need for an additional public meeting beyond the original four meetings scheduled on the Draft PEIR. A fifth public meeting was held in the community of San Andreas in Calaveras County on March 30, 2009

-----Original Message-----

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf Of julie payne  
Sent: Wednesday, March 18, 2009 10:45 AM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Mar 18, 2009

Mr. Thomas Francis  
375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

Dear Mr. Francis,

Please do not enlarge the Pardee and Lower Bear reservoirs downing a segment of the Mokelumne River.

I believe that EBMUD can easily meet its future water needs without enlarging the Pardee or Lower Bear Reservoirs. EBMUD's proposed Water Supply Management Plan is significantly overestimating future demand. In addition, the Plan substantially underestimates the amount of water that could be produced by reasonable and achievable increases in water conservation, recycling, groundwater storage, and increased rationing during drought years.

Do not threaten the future of our natural and necessary environment, when there are other water-gathering and saving methods available.

The Lower Bear reservoir enlargement could alter Mokelumne River flows that have been improved to benefit fish, wildlife, and recreation. These improved flows took years to negotiate as part of PG&E's federal hydroelectric license. EBMUD's proposed reservoir enlargements will thwart the decades of work that have gone into making the Mokelumne a more viable recreation resource that will economically benefit foothill communities.

Please revise the Plan to eliminate the Pardee and Lower Bear Reservoir enlargements. The Plan should focus on increased conservation, recycling, and drought year rationing instead.

Sincerely,

Ms. julie payne  
11681 Valleycrest Rd  
Studio City, CA 91604-4225

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## Julie Payne (JPa)

JPa-1. Please see response Form Letter 3-1.

JPa-2. EBMUD recognizes the importance of the Mokelumne River to the local community and the value of the natural environment. Please see the Master Response on the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Project impacts will be thoroughly evaluated in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning for this component.

EBMUD supports increased water saving methods and has included a high level of conservation in the WSMP 2040. The alternative development process included an in-depth evaluation of over 50 components and a range of portfolios before the Board selected the Preferred Portfolio. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives.

JPa-3. Please see response Form Letter 3-3.

Thomas B. Francis,  
EBMUD Water Supply Improvements Division,  
375 11th Street MS 407,  
Oakland, CA 94607.  
E-mail: [Tfrancis@ebmud.com](mailto:Tfrancis@ebmud.com)

Mr Francis,

I am opposed to the proposed expansion of Pardee Reservoir. I have lived in the foothills for 50 years and have enjoyed their rivers since I was a boy. This expansion would negatively impact the Mokelumne River for recreational use.

In my opinion, Californians need to come to grips with their water usage and start behaving like they live in a dry climate that has limited water resources.

John Simpkin  
Placerville

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## John Simpkin (JSimp)

- JSimp-1. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040. EBMUD recognizes the many recreational opportunities provided by the Mokelumne River. At this stage, there is no certainty regarding the impacts of the potential Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Impacts to recreation will be thoroughly examined in the project-level EIR for this component, when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning. The project-level EIR will also identify specific mitigation measures to reduce significant impacts.
- JSimp-2. The alternative development process included an in-depth evaluation of over 50 components and a range of portfolios before the Board selected the Preferred Portfolio. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives.

From: janabanana13@gmail.com [mailto:janabanana13@gmail.com]  
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2009 3:59 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Please drop plans to expand Pardee Reservoir

Dear East Bay MUD and local officials: I urge you to drop your plans to build a new Pardee Dam and expand Pardee Reservoir as part of the EBMUD 2040 water plan.

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\* A new dam will be too expensive for EBMUD ratepayers, provide relatively little new water, and harm miles of the Mokelumne River.

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\* Enlarging Pardee will drown a part of the Mokelumne popular for kayaking and fishing, submerge or require removal of the historic Middle Bar Bridge and river access facilities, inundate cultural resources, require construction of a new Highway 49 bridge, and seasonally inundate nearly a mile of river proposed for National Wild and Scenic River designation by the Bureau of Land Management.

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\* Enlarging Pardee will destroy decades of work and investment by public agencies and local residents to improve recreational use of the Mokelumne River, thwarting local efforts to use the river for economic development.

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\* Creating dead-end roads approaching the river will cut off a critical fire evacuation route for residents of Middle Bar and Gwin Mine roads.

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\* There is no reason to destroy more miles of a popular river used by locals and visitors alike and its fish habitat. You can avoid the environmental, social and economic cost by using your water supplies, including the new American River water supply, more efficiently.

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My family and I have been using the area for recreation for 20 years. We love having picnics, walking, biking, etc. in the area. It would be a shame to have all those fond memories flooded, and prevent the opportunity for future memory making.

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Please leave these miles of the Mokelumne a river for future generations.

Jana Stanford  
16524 Alpine Ln.

Pioneer , CA 95666

**Jana Staniford (JSta)**

JSta-1. Please see response Form Letter 2-1.

JSta-2. Please see response Form Letter 2-2.

JSta-3. Please see response Form Letter 2-3.

JSta-4. Please see response Form Letter 2-4.

JSta-5. Please see response Form Letter 2-5.

JSta-6. Please see response Form Letter 2-6.

JSta-7. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040. Impacts to recreation will be fully examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component.

From: Friends of the River on behalf of Julie Steury  
Sent: Tue 3/17/2009 10:43 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Mar 18, 2009

Mr. Thomas Francis  
375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

Dear Mr. Francis,

Please do not enlarge the Pardee and Lower Bear reservoirs downing a segment of the Mokelumne River.

Please don't destroy the Mokelumne.

I believe that EBMUD can easily meet its future water needs without enlarging the Pardee or Lower Bear Reservoirs. EBMUD's proposed Water Supply Management Plan is significantly overestimating future demand. In addition, the Plan substantially underestimates the amount of water that could be produced by reasonable and achievable increases in water conservation, recycling, groundwater storage, and increased rationing during drought years.

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The Pardee reservoir enlargement will drown a segment of the Mokelumne River recommended by the BLM for wild and scenic river protection. This section is also popular for kayaking and fishing. The Pardee enlargement would destroy the recently renovated Middle Bar Bridge and other existing and proposed public access facilities, as well as require the costly relocation of the Hwy 49 bridge.

2

The Lower Bear reservoir enlargement could alter Mokelumne River flows that have been improved to benefit fish, wildlife, and recreation. These improved flows took years to negotiate as part of PG&E's federal hydroelectric license. EBMUD's proposed reservoir enlargements will thwart the decades of work that have gone into making the Mokelumne a more viable recreation resource that will economically benefit foothill communities.

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My husband and I learned to kayak on the Mokelumne. We have 3 daughters. Please save this river for future generations to enjoy as we did.

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Please revise the Plan to eliminate the Pardee and Lower Bear Reservoir enlargements. The Plan should focus on increased conservation, recycling, and drought year rationing instead.

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Sincerely,

Ms. Julie Steury  
1721 Walnut Dr  
Mountain View, CA 94040-3636

## Julie Steury (JSte)

- JSte-1. Please see response Form Letter 3-1.
- JSte-2. Please see response Form Letter 3-2.
- JSte-3. Please see response Form Letter 3-3.
- JSte-4. EBMUD recognizes the importance of the Mokelumne River to the local community and EBMUD appreciates the commenter's support for and enjoyment of recreation opportunities in the Mokelumne River. Please see the Master Response on the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. EBMUD recognizes the many recreational opportunities provided by the Mokelumne River (please see pages 4.2.D-5 through 4.2.D-6 of the Draft PEIR and FC-24). At this stage, there is no certainty regarding the impacts of the potential Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Please see the Master Response on Program-level EIR analysis. Impacts to recreation will be thoroughly examined in the project-level EIR for this component, when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning. The project-level EIR will also identify specific mitigation measures to reduce significant impacts. Please see the Master Response on the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component.
- JSte-5. EBMUD recognizes the value of water conservation, recycling and rationing, and has included them as components in the Preferred Portfolio. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040.

-----Original Message-----

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf Of James D. Taylor  
Sent: Wednesday, March 18, 2009 9:45 AM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam/Save our natural heritage

Mar 18, 2009

Mr. Thomas Francis  
375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

Dear Mr. Francis,

Please do not enlarge the Pardee and Lower Bear reservoirs downing a segment of the Mokelumne River.

I believe that EBMUD can easily meet its future water needs without enlarging the Pardee or Lower Bear Reservoirs. EBMUD's proposed Water Supply Management Plan is significantly overestimating future demand. In addition, the Plan substantially underestimates the amount of water that could be produced by reasonable and achievable increases in water conservation, recycling, groundwater storage, and increased rationing during drought years.

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The Lower Bear reservoir enlargement could alter Mokelumne River flows that have been improved to benefit fish, wildlife, and recreation. These improved flows took years to negotiate as part of PG&E's federal hydroelectric license. EBMUD's proposed reservoir enlargements will thwart the decades of work that have gone into making the Mokelumne a more viable recreation resource that will economically benefit foothill communities.

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As a lifelong Californian I've repeatedly seen further degradation of our once pristine waterways and many of their natural settings. As a fisherman for over 45 years I've watched our State's once healthy and abundant rivers and streams that serve as spawning grounds for fish be decimated to such a degree that many of our State's native salmonids have now, or are expected to soon, be placed on the Threatened or Endangered Species list

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The options available to EBMUD to conserve and protect its water needs

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are many. The options to the native fish in the Mokelumne are one and will depend on your vigilance to protect their very right to continue to exist.

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Please revise the Plan to eliminate the Pardee and Lower Bear Reservoir enlargements. The Plan should focus on increased conservation, recycling, and drought year rationing instead.

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Sincerely,

Mr. James D. Taylor  
PO Box 5071  
Galt, CA 95632-5071

## James D. Taylor (JTa)

- JTa-1. Please see response Form Letter 3-1.
- JTa-2. Please see response Form Letter 3-2.
- JTa-3. Please see response Form Letter 3-3.
- JTa-4. EBMUD recognizes the importance of the Mokelumne River to the local community. At this stage, there is no certainty regarding the impacts of the potential Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Please see the Master Response on Program-level EIR analysis. Impacts to fisheries and recreation will be fully examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Please see the response to NMFS-5 where the potential to impact Endangered Species Act-listed salmonids has been added to the Areas of Controversy identified in PEIR Section 1.5.
- JTa-5. As stated in the Master Response on the WSMP 2040, the District is committed to implementing high levels of water conservation. While the rationing, conservation, and recycled water components chosen as part of the Preferred Portfolio will reduce the District's dry-year potable water demand, these components alone would not enable the District to meet the Need for Water through 2040.
- JTa-6. EBMUD recognizes the value of water conservation, recycling and rationing, and has included them as components in the Preferred Portfolio. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040.

From: wasiel@att.net [mailto:wasiel@att.net]  
Sent: Tuesday, March 03, 2009 8:16 AM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Please drop plans to expand Pardee Reservoir

Dear East Bay MUD and local officials: I urge you to drop your plans to build a new Pardee Dam and expand Pardee Reservoir as part of the EBMUD 2040 water plan.

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\* A new dam will be too expensive for EBMUD ratepayers, provide relatively little new water, and harm miles of the Mokelumne River.

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\* Creating dead-end roads approaching the river will cut off a critical fire evacuation route for residents of Middle Bar and Gwin Mine roads.

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\* There is no reason to destroy more miles of a popular river and its fish habitat. You can avoid the environmental, social and economic cost by using your water supplies, including the new American River water supply, more efficiently.

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I frequently kayak the Middle Bar section of the Mokelumne River. I sincerely hope that this will not be drowned and it will continue to be available for future generations.

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Jeff Wasielewski  
8634 Gunner Way  
Fair Oaks, CA 95628

**Jeff Wasielewski (JWa)**

JWa-1. Please see response Form Letter 2-1.

JWa-2. Please see response Form Letter 2-2.

JWa-3. Please see response Form Letter 2-3.

JWa-4. Please see response Form Letter 2-4.

JWa-5. Please see response Form Letter 2-5.

JWa-6. Please see response Form Letter 2-6.

JWa-7. EBMUD recognizes the many recreational opportunities provided by the Mokelumne River. Impacts to recreation will be thoroughly examined in the project-level EIR for this component, when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning. The project-level EIR will also identify specific mitigation measures to reduce significant impacts.

From: jimtinawhite@caltel.com [mailto:jimtinawhite@caltel.com]  
Sent: Sunday, May 03, 2009 7:09 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Cc: jimtinawhite@caltel.com  
Subject: Pardee Dam Comments

May 3, 2009

Dear Mr. Francis:

We are property owners down river from the existing Pardee Dam in Calavers County. In fact, located fairly close to the proposed new dam.

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I am opposed to EBMUD's potential expansion of Pardee Reservoir. We believe there are other, less invasive options to consider. There have been many options discussed at numerous public meetings that I have attended. We appreciate your extension for the public comment period. However, it has been irritating to us to have to dissect the EIR in such a short time. One copy at a local library is not enough. It would have been helpful to have these for sale on a cd for everyone. We work full-time in the valley and have a family. This is certainly a lot of information to digest and respond to so quickly for a 2040 water plan, a

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project considered "supposedly" many years from now. Furthermore, how about our property values (now and in the future)? Is this something we now have to disclose if we sell our land? Will we be affected by eminent domain? What about the new road to go across the new dam and the impact

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to affected and surrounding property owners? There are many concerns that we have going forward regarding this project and would appreciate better communication than what has been done over the past few months. Not everyone has time to scan your website, or look for notices you have

posted at libraries or post offices to be informed of situations that could ultimately affect the future of our land. Please keep us informed

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of any additional meetings that occur or what the status is after the comment period has ceased. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Jim & Tina White  
209-607-7161  
P. O. Box 17  
Campo Seco, CA  
95226

## Jim & Tina White (JWh)

- JWh-1. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040. The alternative development process included an in-depth evaluation of over 50 components and a range of portfolios before the Board selected the Preferred Portfolio. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives.
- JWh-2. The 45-day public review period for the Draft PEIR extended from February 19 through April 6, 2009. In response to requests for additional review time, the District extended the public review period until May 4, 2009. In addition to being available at the local library, the Draft PEIR was also made available digitally to the public on the EBMUD website.
- JWh-3. Please see the Master Response on the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Project impacts will be fully examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. The project-level EIR will also identify specific mitigation measures to reduce significant impacts.
- JWh-4. EBMUD has added the commenter's name and contact information to its mailing list and will keep the commenter informed of developments related to the WSMP 2040 and PEIR.

From: Friends of the River on behalf of K. Ahola  
Sent: Tue 3/17/2009 8:13 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Mar 17, 2009

Mr. Thomas Francis  
375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

Dear Mr. Francis,

Please do not enlarge the Pardee and Lower Bear reservoirs downing a segment of the Mokelumne River.

I believe that EBMUD can easily meet its future water needs without enlarging the Pardee or Lower Bear Reservoirs.

The Pardee reservoir enlargement will drown a segment of the Mokelumne River recommended by the BLM for wild and scenic river protection. This section is also popular for kayaking and fishing. The Pardee enlargement would destroy the recently renovated Middle Bar Bridge and other existing and proposed public access facilities, as well as require the costly relocation of the Hwy 49 bridge.

The Lower Bear reservoir enlargement could alter Mokelumne River flows that have been improved to benefit fish, wildlife, and recreation. These improved flows took years to negotiate as part of PG&E's federal hydroelectric license. EBMUD's proposed reservoir enlargements will thwart the decades of work that have gone into making the Mokelumne a more viable recreation resource that will economically benefit foothill communities.

Please look at alternatives before inundating this magnificent stretch of river.

Please revise the Plan to eliminate the Pardee and Lower Bear Reservoir enlargements. The Plan should focus on increased conservation, recycling, and drought year rationing instead.

Sincerely,

Dr. K. Ahola  
PO Box 932  
Lotus, CA 95651-0932

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## K. Ahola (KAh)

KAh-1. Please see response Form Letter 3-1.

KAh-2. Please see response Form Letter 3-2.

KAh-3. Please see response Form Letter 3-3.

KAh-4. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040. EBMUD recognizes the importance of the Mokelumne River to the local community. Please see the Master Response on the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. At this stage, there is no certainty regarding the impacts of the potential Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Please see the Master Response on Program-level EIR analysis. Project impacts will be thoroughly evaluated in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning for this component.

The alternative development process included an in-depth evaluation of over 50 components and a range of portfolios before the Board selected the Preferred Portfolio. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives.

KAh-5. EBMUD recognizes the value of water conservation, recycling and rationing, and has included them as components in the Preferred Portfolio. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040.



From: k8\_al dridge@yahoo.com [mailto:k8\_al dridge@yahoo.com]  
Sent: Monday, May 04, 2009 7:05 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Please drop plans to expand Pardee Reservoir

Dear East Bay MUD and local officials:

I love this river! It is a fun place to learn to kayak, watch the river and all of its wonderful delights! Another alternative is to install water meters on everyone's house. This will be cheaper in the long run, and better for the world!

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Thanks for taking the time to read this!

Here are some other good points!

kathleen Aldridge

I urge you to drop your plans to build a new Pardee Dam and expand Pardee Reservoir as part of the EBMUD 2040 water plan.

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½ A new dam will be too expensive for EBMUD ratepayers, provide relatively little new water, and harm miles of the Mokelumne River.

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½ Enlarging Pardee will drown a part of the Mokelumne popular for kayaking and fishing, submerge or require removal of the historic Middle Bar Bridge and river access facilities, inundate important cultural resources, require construction of a new Highway 49 bridge, and seasonally inundate nearly a mile of river proposed for National Wild and Scenic River designation by the Bureau of Land Management.

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½ Creating dead-end roads approaching the river will cut off a critical fire evacuation route for residents of Middle Bar and Gwin Mine roads.

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There is no reason to destroy more miles of a popular river used by locals and visitors alike and its fish habitat. You can avoid the environmental, social and economic cost by using your water supplies, including the new American River water supply, more efficiently.

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Please leave these miles of the Mokelumne a river for future generations.

Kathleen Aldridge  
9651 Argonne Way  
Forestville, Ca 95436

## Kathleen Aldridge (KAI)

KAI-1. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040. EBMUD also recognizes the importance of the Mokelumne River to the local community.

EBMUD recognizes the many recreational opportunities provided by the Mokelumne River (please see pages 4.2.D-5 through 4.2.D-6 of the Draft PEIR and response FC-24). Impacts to recreation will be thoroughly examined in the project-level EIR for this component, when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning. The project-level EIR will also identify specific mitigation measures to reduce significant impacts.

EBMUD supports increased water conservation and has included a high level of conservation in the WSMP 2040. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives. Conservation Level D was selected for inclusion in the Preferred Portfolio because it establishes an aggressive conservation goal that is greater than the District's current level of investment and it ensures that the District will continue to be a leader in the demand management aspects of future water supply planning. Conservation Level D includes water surveys and use of Automatic Metering System (AMS) to help identify (to the customer and to EBMUD) leakage and excessive use. Conservation Level D also includes conservation measures to require developers to provide the latest state of the art SMART irrigation controllers and rain sensors.

KAI-2. Please see response Form Letter 2-1.

KAI-3. Please see response Form Letter 2-2.

KAI-4. Please see response Form Letter 2-3.

KAI-5. Please see response Form Letter 2-4.

KAI-6. Please see response Form Letter 2-5.

KAI-7. Please see response Form Letter 2-6.

6418 Gwin St.  
Paloma, CA 95252

To EBMUD:

I have lived in Paloma for 9 years and right now I am 14 years old. I have gone to the Mokelumne River all the time with my family and my dog, to fish, swim, pick berries, and to raft down the scenic river. If you enlarge the Pardee Lake you will make the yellow legged frog (God's creation) one step closer to being extinct just like the salmon, and along with that you will waist your money and ruin the best part of the Mokelumne River. There are a lot of things you can do to save money like fixing the leakage and that right there will save you thousands of dollars. If you don't try to save your money in this economy you are very foolish.

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Sincerely,

Kyle Caires

## Kyle Caires (KCa)

- KCa-1. EBMUD recognizes the importance of the Mokelumne River to the local community and EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040.
- KCa-2. Impacts to biological resources and recreation will be fully examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component.
- KCa-3. EBMUD has a program in place that adequately addresses the need for delivery system maintenance. The program monitors for and schedules the repair of system leaks. Therefore, excessive system leakage was not a factor that affected the Need for Water estimate prepared for WSMP 2040.

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf Of Kiya Cote'  
Sent: Wednesday, April 01, 2009 5:53 AM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Apr 1, 2009

Mr. Thomas Francis  
375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

Dear Mr. Francis,

Please do not enlarge the Pardee and Lower Bear reservoirs drowning a segment of the Mokelumne River.

I believe that EBMUD can easily meet its future water needs without enlarging the Pardee or Lower Bear Reservoirs. EBMUD's proposed Water Supply Management Plan is significantly overestimating future demand. In addition, the Plan substantially underestimates the amount of water that could be produced by reasonable and achievable increases in water conservation, recycling, groundwater storage, and increased rationing during drought years.

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The Pardee reservoir enlargement will drown a segment of the Mokelumne River recommended by the BLM for wild and scenic river protection. This section is also popular for kayaking and fishing. The Pardee enlargement would destroy the recently renovated Middle Bar Bridge and other existing and proposed public access facilities, as well as require the costly relocation of the Hwy 49 bridge.

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The Lower Bear reservoir enlargement could alter Mokelumne River flows that have been improved to benefit fish, wildlife, and recreation. These improved flows took years to negotiate as part of PG&E's federal hydroelectric license. EBMUD's proposed reservoir enlargements will thwart the decades of work that have gone into making the Mokelumne a more viable recreation resource that will economically benefit foothill communities. Free flowing rivers are the life blood of our world and our region. Let's protect them in their natural state.

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Sincerely,  
Kiya Cote  
P. O. Box 3796  
Walnut Creek, CA 94598

Please revise the Plan to eliminate the Pardee and Lower Bear Reservoir enlargements. The Plan should focus on increased conservation, recycling, and drought year rationing instead.

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Sincerely,

Ms. Kiya Cote'  
PO Box 3796  
Walnut Creek, CA 94598-0796

**Kiya Cote (KCo)**

KCo-1. Please see response Form Letter 1-1.

KCo-2. Please see response Form Letter 1-2.

KCo-3. EBMUD recognizes the importance of the Mokelumne River to the local community and acknowledges the commenter's opposition to expanded reservoirs and new dams. Project impacts will be fully examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Please also see response Form Letter 1-3.

KCo-4. Please see response Form Letter 1-4.



From: Kathleen duBois [mailto:cowgirlshorty@gmail.com]  
Sent: Mon 3/30/2009 2:47 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: EBMUD WSMP Comments to the PEIR

Dear Mr. Francis,

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the draft environmental impact report for the Water Supply Management Program. It seems unfortunate that EBMUD does not take this opportunity to lead the way toward a smarter way of approaching the imposing water shortage problem in this state. They have been leaders in conservation, rebates for low-flow faucets, toilets and speaking out to the public about water usage.

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So instead of turning their need for water into another water war, why not do better, think bigger, and organize agencies across this state to come together to seek solutions that benefit all of us equally. Recycling is the only real means of "creating" water and with the population soaring out of sight, that is the ultimate solution. The faster the infrastructure is in place the better off all of us will be.

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Can we not think of this state as all the people, not just the few that you service? We all need the same resources and we all need to keep this planet as intact as possible too.

Sincerely,  
Kathleen duBois

(Would you please confirm that you received this, and you were able to open the attachment?)

# EBMUD WSMP 2040 Draft Program EIR

Comments submitted by  
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## 1.2 Portfolio Development Process

"The Preferred Portfolio consists of the following:  
A rationing level of 10 percent"

Considering that the Governor of this state is considered to be one of the most progressive conservationists and that his new figure for rationing is 20% statewide, the EBMUD figure is shockingly low. Water is a non-renewable resource, which is now being used at a rapid rate. Technology is not going to save us from running out of water considering our continuing increase in population, global warming and the need for California to produce food for the nation and ourselves.

The rationing level for all of California and EBMUD's customers should be 20%. In addition, all of the partners involved in this Program should also be conserving water at the same rate. Currently, AWA has no conservation requirement.

## 1.5 Areas of Controversy

One area of controversy clearly missing from this list is the opposition to the Mokelumne River being changed in any way upcounty from the dam. For many years there has been a strong community effort to establish the area as Wild and Scenic. The changes that EBMUD proposes significantly alter the character and flow of that pristine body of water. No mention has been made of the Foothill Conservancy designation in the EIR.

5.2.H-I: Potential to adversely affect the existing visual character and scenic vistas or resources. Other controversies missing include:

- Eminent domain or purchase of properties of historic interest for destruction in preparation for expanding Pardee and Lower Bear
- Agricultural land used for uses other than agriculture
- Opposition to loss of riparian habitats, special species, and biodiversity in county
- Lack of emphasis and focus in this project on new methods of using less natural resources instead of concentrating on harvesting more.

## 1.6 Issues to be Resolved

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EBMUD fails to give a reason for partnering in this project. It is understandable that water is needed to fill the aquifers, but is there a trade expected? Is there a price tag in partnering? What is the price tag, and does it involve relinquishing water rights?

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This is not explained in a manner that is understandable to a lay person and needs to be further expanded on.

## Table 1-2 Summary of Mitigation Measures Identified in the Program EIR

### **Impact 5.2.A-2 Potential to degrade water quality from waste discharge**

Mitigation proposal - incorporate a salt manufacturing company within the project, or partner with a salt company to refine the salt for industrial or home uses.

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## 5. Impacts and Mitigation Measures

### **5.1.3 Assumptions for Impact Analysis**

#### Reservoir Enlargement

“...excavation of dam foundations and spillways; transportation of fill materials from borrow areas on the project sites and from off-site sources; transportation of unusable soil and rock to disposal sites; construction of dam embankments; upgrade of intake structures and waterways, and relocation of existing recreation facilities.”

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What recycling methods are going to be employed at this site and all the other sites planned for construction? Concrete, wood, metal, glass, rock, etc.

How will the mines be handled that are to be submerged under water? There is no discussion of that in the EIR.

### **5.2.A Hydrology, Groundwater and Water Quality**

#### **5.2.A-1: Potential to degrade water quality from construction**

There is no discussion of the accidental exposure of contaminants during construction when a mine pit or tailing pile gets mixed into the water and/or building construction. There are several mines of known existence and many more mine excavations throughout the areas proposed.

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#### **Bayside Groundwater Project Ph. 2, Sac Basin Groundwater Banking & Exchange, & IRCUP/ San Joaquin Groundwater Banking and Exchange**

How many wells are presently using the aquifer in the Sacramento region and in the San Joaquin region? How will those people be compensated? If they live near and/or above the aquifer, how will they keep their septic? How will that be handled?

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Until water is banked and retrieved how can you be certain of the water quality of the different depths of the aquifers? Are there not possibly cracks or fissures that will be undetectable to scientists in the walls of the aquifers?

#### **Impact 5.2.A-2 Potential to degrade water quality from waste discharge.**

##### Regional Desalination

What are the economic advantages of desalination of brackish water compared to salt water and have you explored that option? Is there a power plant located near Suisun Bay where the project will get hot water to use in the membrane process?

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What is the carbon footprint of this desalination plant? Can it be carbon neutral as the San Diego plant is expected to be? How does this plant fit into the statewide effort to reduce greenhouse gas emissions?

The San Diego plant is being asked to replace 68 acres of coastal wetlands because of the destruction that the plant will create, what is your plan to compensate for the loss of marine life?

Desalination is the most costly of all forms of water management, the most energy dependent, and environmentally unfriendly. Why is EBMUD not considering a higher conservation rate on the public and pursuing other options of two-flush toilet cost reductions or purple pipe installation instead of desalination?

It is stated that approximately 60% of a family's water bill is the toilet and shower, 20% the laundry and 20% the kitchen. Isn't household water much easier and less expensive to clean than desalinating seawater?

How much waste, approximately, is created per month from this proposed plant? Is it considered toxic?

Who are the buyers or potential buyers of this water? Who are all of the stakeholders?

**Impact 5.2.C-11: Potential disruption of downstream flow releases.**

- Enlarge Pardee and Lower Bear Reservoirs

During the construction of the dam, the Mokelumne River will be rerouted from its usual course. This will be for potentially one month. The lack of water in the natural course is not covered in the species and plant life sections. One month is sufficient to cause death to many species of both plant and animals, depending on the time of year. This needs to be further studied.

The same condition will apply to Lower Bear and that needs to be studied as well. There is nothing in this document to establish the safety of plants and animals for a month or longer without their wet habitat.

**5.2.D.5 Potential Land Use and Recreation Impacts**

Impact 5.2.D-1: Potential reduction of agricultural productivity and conversion of farmland to non-agricultural uses.

As described in the EIR both short and long-term interference of farming and agriculture will occur. There will also be permanent loss of agricultural land, which is unspecified. In addition, some farms/ranches will experience loss of water delivery due to pipeline alignment or trench dewatering.

The amount of this damage to people, farms, livestock, and businesses is not specified, and these costs and burdens should be addressed prior to decision-making. More information is necessary to make adequate reasonable mitigations.

**Northern California Water Transfers**

Pages 5.5.D-3 – 5.2.D-5

Paragraph One

What are the potential agreements that would change the SWP and CVP water deliveries?

Who are the possible trading partners?

What role will they play in the project? What contribution will they make? Will there be water trades?

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How will these transfers occur, physically? Is it real or on paper?  
If the owner cannot afford to pay for water and lets his field fallow, will he lose his allotment of water for that field? For all his water?  
If someone is trying to conserve he will lose the water he is conserving? He will be penalized?  
What if the farmer is rotating crops and the crop he is growing needs less water than the crop he will grow next season? Will he lose his water?  
When you need less water for winter crops than for summer, do you lose water for the spring season?  
Is this a permanent loss? Does the loss run with the land if the property is sold?

#### Paragraph Two

If there is no surplus to a farmer, would the transfer have any affect on the farmer?  
This paragraph makes no sense what so ever. This concept of water transfers is not described in a manner that a normal intelligent person could understand. CEQA requires that it does.  
This is saying that if there is no surplus, one must buy water, go out of the agriculture business, use conservation methods, ground pump, or change crops.

#### Paragraph Three

How long do these water transfers last?  
Who gets the water?  
Why do you have to relinquish water?  
Who makes the decision how much water one has to give up?  
Where is the water going?  
Are landowners being paid for the water?  
Are they being paid to fallow the fields?  
Why is this transfer necessary?  
Who is gaining from the transfer?  
How many and where are these landowners located?

San Joaquin Valley is the most productive agricultural region in the world. ½ of the fruit, vegetables, and nuts in the US are grown there. What we do not need is subsidized crops that use the lion's share of water to grow. One acre of corn requires 500,000 gallons of water in its growing season.

The National Resources Defense Council states that a dam costs \$1400 per acre foot to build, desalination of salt water or ground water costs from \$750-1200 an acre foot. By using urban water conservation, local storm-water harvesting and groundwater clean-up it is estimated that California could get as much as 7 million acre feet per year. So why did EBMUD choose to start with expensive and environmentally damaging water projects instead of increasing conservation percentages, installing grey water systems in urban settings and capturing storm water?

Because of the toxic waste produced from desalination, and the problem of where to put it, and the energy gluttony of its process, it is common sense that desal should be a last resort. Where will the waste from the plant be accepted and what are the consequences of soil pollution, underground water pollution and human sickness from this waste? Has this specific area at Suisun Bay, where the water is being extracted been studied in terms of what chemical pollutants will remain in the waste? What chemical pollutants might be in the water?

Is the Morton Salt works still in production? Why are they not partnering with EBMUD?

#### **Enlarge Pardee and Lower Bear Reservoirs**

Page 5.2.D-7

"...the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component would inundate the Electra Whitewater Run..."

Whether temporary or permanent this river is part of two counties recreational draw and vital to the scenic beauty of the area. It is historically significant in its contribution to the Gold Rush

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period and an integral part of the landscape. For how long and how significantly will this area be modified?

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**Impact 5.2.E-2: Potential short-term increases in vehicle trips during construction.**

“...the increase in traffic volumes associated with new employees is not expected to result in substantial long-term degradation of operating conditions or levels of service on roadways. Therefore, potential traffic impacts would be less than significant.”

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Please define short-term and long-term. It seems like all of the possibilities are not questioned, or answered.

**5.2.F-1: Potential to conflict with, or obstruct implementation of, applicable air quality plans.**

If there is no local plan for air quality attainment standards, then by default the state plan is in force. Therefore, wouldn't any increase rather than decrease in air quality be considered counteractive to the plan in force?

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All counties that are potential partners with EBMUD are currently in non-attainment status in ozone levels. Any additional development would assure that the county would keep that status, would it not?

**Short-Term Construction-Generated Emissions of Criteria Air Pollutants and Ozone Precursors**

Construction emissions are described as short-term and temporary, but they need to be considered cumulative as well. It is not practical that 1.5 million cubic yards of concrete for the construction of the Pardee Reservoir would be coming from a distance too far away. Thus, the power and energy used to make that concrete and to turn the batch would be local as well most likely. The diesel engines used in the production of materials needs to be included whenever it is possible that they will be localized. Is that not correct?

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**Northern California Water Transfers**

Flooded rice fields versus fallow fields are mentioned as possible in one of the scenarios for the water transfer examples. Why would someone who is subsidized by the government choose to give up that subsidy and fallow his land? Is EBMUD saying that those farmers will not be allotted the amount of water necessary to farm rice, cotton or corn, crops currently subsidized?

Why does EBMUD feel that it is appropriate to build new developments in rural areas where agriculture once existed, when the housing stock in California is so plentiful and will be for many years? Isn't it more cost effective to build more developments, and infill, near established cities where infrastructure already exists?

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**Sacramento Basin Groundwater Banking/Exchange**

“...39 acres of ponds would be constructed to facilitate groundwater recharge.”

Are these “ponds” plastic lined, are they levees, are they concrete structures? What kind of fences and signage will they have around them? Without knowing what they look like, it is impossible to visualize how they will affect the existing landscape, is it not?

**Enlarge Pardee and Lower Bear Reservoirs**

Jacob H. Douma, US Army Corp of Engineers, Chief Hydraulic Branch, was one of a few people chosen to sit on a consulting board for EBMUD at the request of FEMA. FEMA wanted to make sure that Pardee Dam was safe before EBMUD's request for two new power units were granted. The interview that the following information comes from was not dated.

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The board, in their study of the dam safety, found that it was designed to only 70% of the maximum probable flood capacity. In the case of the maximum flood, most likely, the embankment would be underneath 11' of water and wash out. Water would flow over the top of

the concrete arch dam 6' and the dam would most likely fail. The consulting board found three options to alleviate the safety issue: the spillway could be enlarged, the spillway could be lengthened and the dam could be raised 12 feet. The board was also concerned about the 12" concrete slab downstream of the spillway crest not being anchored to rock. This too would be very costly, but the board decided that this should be redesigned and anchored properly.

At the final meeting the board of engineers made their recommendations to EBMUD. EBMUD said that they would think about it and get back to the consultants and FEMA. They never did. The total cost to upgrade the safety issues to current standards was \$20 million.

Were any of the safety issues addressed by EBMUD regarding the dam? Have there been any safety inspections done on the dam since that time? When did that request by FEMA for the inspection occur?

According to the World Commission on Dams in their 2000 Final Report on the Performance of 29 Dams:

- Cost production data shows that the financial cost overrun of 81 projects included in the analysis was 51%
- One-quarter of the 29 dams in the sample delivered less than 50% of their supply target.
- Two-thirds of the ecosystem impacts occurring had negative consequences
- For 87 of the projects almost 60% of the impacts identified were unanticipated prior to project construction.
- Of 87 of the projects for which ecosystem impacts were recorded, mitigation was undertaken for less than ¼ of the anticipated ecosystem impacts.
- The number of people displaced by the dams in the sample of 42 was 29% underestimated. Most of the shortfalls occurred for dams built in the upper reaches of rivers and in low-income areas.

What steps are you taking or will you take to insure that your projects will cover all of these potential shortfalls, and how will you deal with them if they arise?

Is there a reason that the dam is not going to be deepened instead of raised? As I understand there is a substantial amount of silt that has collected in the bottom that could be removed, allowing more room for water.

## Kathleen duBois (KD)

- KD-1. EBMUD supports increased water conservation and has included high levels of conservation and recycling in the WSMP 2040. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives.
- KD-2. EBMUD recognizes the need for regional solutions and continuously seeks to involve partner agencies. In fact, one of the main planning objectives for the WSMP 2040 is to promote District involvement in regional solutions.
- KD-3. Please see Response FC3-5 for a discussion of the rationing level that was selected for the Preferred Portfolio.
- KD-4. Please see Response FC3-6 regarding areas of controversy. As stated in the Master Response on the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component, EBMUD recognizes the numerous local concerns regarding this component, and in light of the controversy surrounding the environmental effects, has elevated it to an area of controversy.

Section 1.5, Areas of Controversy, on page 1-11 of the Draft PEIR is revised as follows:

Section 15123 of the CEQA Guidelines requires that an EIR identify areas of controversy. The following issues and concerns were raised by agencies or the public:

- Reliability of water transfers
- Preferred Portfolio components should reduce Mokelumne demand
- Potential impacts on Delta water quality
- Potential impacts on Sacramento Water Forum Agreements from ASR components
- Potential degradation of groundwater from ASR components
- Potential impacts on endangered species from water transfers
- Opposition to cross-Delta water transfers
- Opposition to Buckhorn Reservoir
- Acquisition of properties of historic interest through eminent domain or purchase
- Potential impacts on agricultural land
- Potential impacts on riparian habitats, special status species, and biodiversity in the Upcountry

The Preferred Portfolio includes a range of alternatives to give the District flexibility to address uncertainties such as timing of droughts and effects of climate change. Components in the Preferred Portfolio include rationing and conservation as well as new storage and treatment facilities. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 and Response SCSFB2-1 for discussion of conservation.

Please see Response BLM-1 for a discussion of the proposed Wild and Scenic River designation for the Mokelumne River.



## Kathleen du Bois (KD)

- KD-5. The District will seek partners for many of the Preferred Portfolio components to share costs and benefits of the various water supply projects. While some partners have been identified (e.g., San Francisco Public Utilities Commission and Santa Clara Valley Water District for the Regional Desalination component), partners have not yet been determined for some components, such as the Northern California Water Transfers component. Water transfers may be short term or long term and may involve acquiring purchasing water from a water rights holder or acquiring water rights. Any water transfer agreement will undergo project-level CEQA review and environmental impacts will be fully evaluated.
- KD-6. Project impacts will be fully examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District and its partners decide to move forward with project-level planning for the Regional Desalination component. The project-level EIR will also identify specific mitigation measures to reduce significant impacts.
- KD-7. Please see the Master Response on the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Project impacts, including impacts involving nearby mines and solid waste generation, will be fully examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. The project-level EIR will also identify specific mitigation measures to reduce significant impacts.
- KD-8. Please see the Master Response on the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Project impacts, including impacts involving nearby mines and contaminants, will be fully examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. The project-level EIR will also identify specific mitigation measures to reduce significant impacts.
- KD-9. Please see the Master Response on Program-level EIR analysis. Project impacts, including impacts on other well operators in the Sacramento and San Joaquin regions and in the vicinity of the Bayside Groundwater Project Phase 2, will be fully examined in project-level CEQA documentation when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning for the groundwater storage components.
- KD-10. The commenter asks a number of questions regarding the design of the Regional Desalination plant. EBMUD and its partners in the Regional Desalination component (San Francisco Public Utilities Commission and Santa Clara Valley Water District) have not yet developed designs for the plant, and in fact the location of the plant has not been identified. Consequently, the District does not have sufficient information at this program-level stage to answer the commenter's detailed questions. Project impacts will be fully examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District and its partners decide to move forward with project-level planning for this component. The project-level EIR will also identify specific mitigation measures to reduce significant impacts.

## Kathleen duBois (KD)

- KD-11. Please see the Master Responses on Program-level EIR analysis and the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Project impacts will be fully examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning for this component. The project-level EIR will also identify specific mitigation measures to reduce significant impacts.
- KD-12. Effects on agricultural land and operations are addressed generally in the Draft PEIR because it is not known where these potential effects would occur. Please see the Master Response on Program-level EIR analysis. Project impacts will be fully examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning for this component. The project-level EIR will also identify specific mitigation measures to reduce significant impacts.
- KD-13. The commenter asks a number of questions regarding the Northern California Water Transfers component. EBMUD has not yet identified water transfer partners and thus does not know where potential impacts related to water transfers would occur. Consequently, the Draft PEIR generally characterizes potential impacts associated with water transfers. The District does not have sufficient information at this program-level stage to answer the commenter's detailed questions. Project impacts will be fully examined in a project-level CEQA documentation when and if the District and its partners decide to move forward with a specific water transfer agreement. Please see the Master Response on Program-level EIR analysis.
- KD-14. EBMUD does not provide water service to the San Joaquin Valley, and the WSMP 2040 is not intended to provide water supply to the San Joaquin Valley. If any Preferred Portfolio component would affect the San Joaquin Valley, the impacts will be identified in project-level CEQA documentation for that component.
- KD-15. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040. The Preferred Portfolio includes a range of components to give the District flexibility to address uncertainties such as the timing of droughts and the effects of climate change. The Preferred Portfolio includes high levels of conservation and recycling, but these components are not sufficient to meet the District's Need for Water in dry years.
- KD-16. Please see Response KD-10 above.
- KD-17. The Regional Desalination component is in the early stages and will move forward in conjunction with the District's partner agencies. Please see Response KD-10. EBMUD and its partners will explore the option of partnering with Morton Salt Works.
- KD-18. Please see the Master Response on the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Project impacts will be fully examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. The project-level EIR will also identify specific mitigation measures to reduce significant impacts.

## Kathleen du Bois (KD)

- KD-19. Short-term traffic impacts result from project construction, and long-term impacts result from project operation. Please see the Master Response on the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Project impacts, including impacts on traffic, will be fully examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. The project-level EIR will also identify specific mitigation measures to reduce significant impacts.
- KD-20. Please see the impact discussion presented on pages 5.2.F-5 and 5.2.F-6 of the Draft PEIR. The proposed facilities under the Preferred Portfolio would not regularly generate emissions since they are typically electric-powered and have back-up diesel generators. EBMUD and its potential partners would be required to obtain permits from the applicable air district and will comply with the terms of the permit. Air quality impacts will be fully examined in project-level CEQA documentation when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning for components involving new facilities.
- KD-21. Please see Impact 5.2.F-3 on pages 5.2.F-11 and 5.2.F-12 of the Draft PEIR for a discussion of cumulative air quality impacts.
- KD-22. EBMUD will seek water transfer agreements with willing sellers, which may include farmers and other water agencies. Please see Response KD-13.
- EBMUD does not propose to build new developments in agricultural areas. EBMUD is a water service providers and does not have the authority to make decisions regarding land development.
- The commenter asks several questions regarding structures that would be constructed as part of the Sacramento Basin Groundwater Banking/Exchange component. Specific design features and location of these facilities is not known at this program-level stage. Consequently, EBMUD does not have sufficient information to answer the commenter's detailed questions. Project impacts, including impacts on traffic, will be fully examined in project-level CEQA documentation when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning for this component.
- KD-23. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's concerns regarding dam safety. EBMUD will work closely with FEMA, the Division of Safety of Dams, and other agencies during the design phases of the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir and Enlarge Lower Bear Reservoir components, when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning. Project impacts, including impacts related to dam safety and seismic impacts, will be fully examined in project-level EIRs for these components. The project-level EIRs will also identify specific mitigation measures to reduce significant impacts.

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Calif. has to realize that water is not a resource put her for HUMANS only. In the last 50 years we have built many dams on the west coast and yet we still have energy problems, water shortages and now one keystone species, the salmon, are in danger of becoming extinct. We have poorly managed this resource by building infrastructure that

benefits us only, and it is short term. Anyone can have a swimming pool at their private residence, every where you look you see lawns with perfect green grass and we grow crops that require lots of water (cotton) in desert areas. Dams are not the answer.

The Pardee reservoir enlargement will drown a segment of the Mokelumne River recommended by the BLM for wild and scenic river protection. This section is also popular for kayaking and fishing. The Pardee enlargement would destroy the recently renovated Middle Bar Bridge and other existing and proposed public access facilities, as well as require the costly relocation of the Hwy 49 bridge.

The Lower Bear reservoir enlargement could alter Mokelumne River flows that have been improved to benefit fish, wildlife, and recreation. These improved flows took years to negotiate as part of PG&E's federal hydroelectric license. EBMUD's proposed reservoir enlargements will thwart the decades of work that have gone into making the Mokelumne a more viable recreation resource that will economically benefit foothill communities.



Please revise the Plan to eliminate the Pardee and Lower Bear Reservoir enlargements. The Plan should focus on increased conservation, recycling, and drought year rationing instead.

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Sincerely,

Ms. KJ Linarez  
5249 Manzanita Ave  
Carmichael, CA 95608-0544

## **KJ Linarez 1 - Responses to Comment Letter #1 - 3/21/09 (KLi1)**

KLi1-1. Please see response Form Letter 3-1.

KLi1-2. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to expanded reservoirs and new dams.

KLi1-3. Please see response Form Letter 3-2.

KLi1-4. Please see response Form Letter 3-3.

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf Of Kimberly O'Connor  
Sent: Thursday, April 30, 2009 1:57 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Apr 30, 2009

Mr. Thomas Francis  
375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

Dear Mr. Francis,

Please do not enlarge the Pardee and Lower Bear reservoirs drowning a segment of the Mokelumne River.

I believe that EBMUD can easily meet its future water needs without enlarging the Pardee or Lower Bear Reservoirs. EBMUD's proposed Water Supply Management Plan is significantly overestimating future demand. In addition, the Plan substantially underestimates the amount of water that could be produced by reasonable and achievable increases in water conservation, recycling, groundwater storage, and increased rationing during drought years.

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The Pardee reservoir enlargement will drown a segment of the Mokelumne River recommended by the BLM for wild and scenic river protection. This section is also popular for kayaking and fishing. The Pardee enlargement would destroy the recently renovated Middle Bar Bridge and other existing and proposed public access facilities, as well as require the costly relocation of the Hwy 49 bridge.

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The Lower Bear reservoir enlargement could alter Mokelumne River flows that have been improved to benefit fish, wildlife, and recreation. These improved flows took years to negotiate as part of PG&E's federal hydroelectric license. EBMUD's proposed reservoir enlargements will thwart the decades of work that have gone into making the Mokelumne a more viable recreation resource that will economically benefit foothill communities.

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I love this section of the Mokelumne and I encourage you at EBMUD to focus your attention on other efforts to increase water availability. Keep rivers flowing freely. Our children and all wildlife NEED these natural resources to exist.

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Please revise the Plan to eliminate the Pardee and Lower Bear Reservoir enlargements. The Plan should focus on increased conservation, recycling, and drought year rationing instead.

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Sincerely,

Mrs. Kimberly O'Connor  
2919 Polaris St  
Pollock Pines, CA 95726-9612



## Kimberly O'Connor (KOC)

KOC-1. Please see response Form Letter 3-1.

KOC-2. Please see response Form Letter 3-2.

KOC-3. EBMUD recognizes the importance of the Mokelumne River to the local community as well as the commenter's opposition to expanded reservoirs and new dams.

KOC-4. Please see response Form Letter 3-3.

KOC-5. EBMUD recognizes the value of water conservation, recycling and rationing, and has included them as components in the Preferred Portfolio. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040.

From: beargardens@webtv.net [mailto:beargardens@webtv.net]  
Sent: Friday, March 06, 2009 6:43 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Proposed Pardee Expansion

Sir: I was shocked to read of EBMUD's proposal to expand Pardee Reservoir into an area of the Mokelumne River that has been recommended for wild & scenic status. In the current economic climate, where we must all scale down, I cannot understand how you can entertain the idea of expensive expansion of EBMUD's facilities, not to mention destructive alteration of a natural area. Surely the better solution to water supply shortages in the Bay Area would be more conservation. Have all avenues of conservation and recycling been explored? Unless EBMUD can prove this beyond question I will fiercely oppose the sacrifice of any remaining portion of the Mokelumne River. Most Sincerely, Karen Orso, Wilseyville, Calaveras County, CA.

ps: Please advise me immediately of any and all developments concerning this issue. I can be contacted at this e-mail address or by mail at: 5734 Gold Trail, Wilseyville, CA 95257.

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## Karen Orso (KOr)

KOr-1. Please see response BLM-1.

KOr-2. The District acknowledges the commenter's support for water conservation and water recycling. As stated in the Master Response on the WSMP 2040, the District is committed to implementing high levels of water conservation and recycling.

Conservation Level D was selected for inclusion in the Preferred Portfolio because it establishes an aggressive conservation goal that is greater than the District's current level of investment and it ensures that the District will continue to be a leader in the demand management aspects of future water supply planning. Please see the WSMP 2040 Conservation Program Evaluation (March 19, 2009) for additional detail, available on the EBMUD website at:

[http://www.ebmud.com/water\\_&\\_environment/water\\_supply/water\\_supply\\_management\\_program/Conservation\\_Memo.pdf](http://www.ebmud.com/water_&_environment/water_supply/water_supply_management_program/Conservation_Memo.pdf)

The alternative development process included an in-depth evaluation of over 50 components and a range of portfolios before the Board selected the Preferred Portfolio. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives.

KOr-3. EBMUD has added the commenter's name and contact information to its mailing list and will keep the commenter informed of developments related to the WSMP 2040 and PEIR.

From: raypekarci k@comcast.net [mailto:raypekarci k@comcast.net]  
Sent: Sun 4/5/2009 1:48 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Please drop plans to expand Pardee Reservoir

Dear East Bay MUD and local officials: I urge you to drop your plans to build a new Pardee Dam and expand Pardee Reservoir as part of the EBMUD 2040 water plan, particularly when it's unclear how effective EBMUD clients and officials have been at enacting conservation practices.

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A new dam will be too expensive for EBMUD ratepayers, provide relatively little new water, and harm miles of the Mokelumne River.

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Enlarging Pardee will drown a part of the Mokelumne popular for kayaking and fishing, submerge or require removal of the historic Middle Bar Bridge and river access facilities, inundate important cultural resources, require construction of a new Highway 49 bridge, and seasonally inundate nearly a mile of river proposed for National Wild and Scenic River designation by the Bureau of Land Management.

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Enlarging Pardee will destroy decades of work and investment by public agencies and local residents to improve recreational use of the Mokelumne River, thwarting local efforts to use the river for economic development.

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Creating dead-end roads approaching the river will cut off a critical fire evacuation route for residents of Middle Bar and Gwin Mine roads.

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There is no reason to destroy more miles of a popular river used by locals and visitors alike and its fish habitat. You can avoid the environmental, social and economic cost by using your water supplies, including the new American River water supply, more efficiently.

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The limited water supply that will be captured to offset greater East Bay populations' inefficient community design and water use cannot possibly be worth the expense in loss of sacred space, recreation areas and natural habitat.

Please leave these miles of the Mokelumne a river for future generations of Californians.

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Karen Pekarci k  
PO Box 1240  
Valley Springs, CA 95252

## Karen Pekarcik (KP)

- KP-1. Please see the Master Response on Water Demand Projections for a discussion of the achieved and projected conservation savings. Please also see response Form Letter 2-1.
- KP-2. Please see response Form Letter 2-2.
- KP-3. Please see response Form Letter 2-3.
- KP-4. Please see response Form Letter 2-4.
- KP-5. Please see response Form Letter 2-5.
- KP-6. Please see response Form Letter 2-6.

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf Of Kenneth Renwick  
Sent: Tuesday, March 24, 2009 10:22 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Mar 25, 2009

Mr. Thomas Francis  
375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

Dear Mr. Francis,

Please do not enlarge the Pardee and Lower Bear reservoirs drowning a segment of the Mokelumne River.

Dear EDMUD,

As a local resident of Tuolumne County I have spent many great days canoeing the Mokelumne River Electric run. Now that my kids are teenagers I'd like them to have the same great days.

Please don't raise the Pardee Dam and flood the river canyon.

Conservation can do more than adding capacity when we don't have enough water to fill the reservoirs we have.

Many folks over the years have worked hard to make the river available

to all who come, including many EBMUD customers. Too few fine beginner boating stretches remain. Protect this river run and don't raise the dam.

Thanks,

Kenneth Renwick, MD  
PO Box 190  
Soulsbville, CA 95372

Please revise the Plan to eliminate the Pardee and Lower Bear Reservoir enlargements. The Plan should focus on increased conservation, recycling, and drought year rationing instead.

Sincerely,

Dr. Kenneth Renwick  
PO Box 190  
16678 Cornucopia Mine Rd  
Soulsbville, CA 95372-9766

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## Kenneth Renwick (KRen)

- KRen-1. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040.
- KRen-2. EBMUD recognizes the many recreational opportunities provided by the Mokelumne River. Impacts to recreation will be thoroughly examined in the project-level EIR for this component, when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning. The project-level EIR will also identify specific mitigation measures to reduce significant impacts. .
- KRen-3. EBMUD supports increased water conservation and has included a high level of conservation in the WSMP 2040. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives.
- KRen-4. Please see Master Responses on the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component and Program-level EIR analysis.
- KRen-5. Please see response Form Letter 1-4.



From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf Of Kevin Wolf  
Sent: Tuesday, March 24, 2009 10:22 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Mar 25, 2009

Mr. Thomas Francis  
375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

Dear Mr. Francis,

Please do not enlarge the Pardee and Lower Bear reservoirs drowning a segment of the Mokelumne River. EBMUD has better options to meet its future water needs that doesn't result in the destruction of more miles of the Mokelumne River and enlarging the Pardee or Lower Bear Reservoirs. EBMUD's proposed Water Supply Management Plan is significantly overestimating future demand, especially if the district moved its customers away from irrigated landscaping. In addition, the Plan substantially underestimates the amount of water that could be produced by reasonable and achievable increases in water conservation, recycling, groundwater storage, and increased rationing during drought years.

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The Pardee reservoir enlargement will drown a segment of the Mokelumne River recommended by the BLM for wild and scenic river protection. This section is also popular for kayaking and fishing. The Pardee enlargement would destroy the recently renovated Middle Bar Bridge and other existing and proposed public access facilities, as well as require the costly relocation of the Hwy 49 bridge.

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The Lower Bear reservoir enlargement could alter Mokelumne River flows that have been improved to benefit fish, wildlife, and recreation. These improved flows took years to negotiate as part of PG&E's federal hydroelectric license. EBMUD's proposed reservoir enlargements will thwart the decades of work that have gone into making the Mokelumne a more viable recreation resource that will economically benefit foothill communities.

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Please revise the Plan to eliminate the Pardee and Lower Bear Reservoir enlargements. The Plan should focus on increased conservation, recycling, and drought year rationing instead.

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Sincerely,

Mr. Kevin Wolf  
724 N St

Davis, CA 95616-3914

## Kevin Wolf (KW)

- KW-1. Please see response Form Letter 1-1.
- KW-2. Please see response Form Letter 1-2.
- KW-3. Please also response Form Letter 1-3.
- KW-4. Please see response Form Letter 1-4.

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf Of Leonard Conly  
Sent: Monday, March 23, 2009 11:50 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Mar 24, 2009

Mr. Thomas Francis  
375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

Dear Mr. Francis,

Please do not enlarge the Pardee and Lower Bear reservoirs drowning a segment of the Mokelumne River.

I believe that EBMUD can easily meet its future water needs without enlarging the Pardee or Lower Bear Reservoirs. EBMUD's proposed Water Supply Management Plan is significantly overestimating future demand. In addition, the Plan substantially underestimates the amount of water that could be produced by reasonable and achievable increases in water conservation, recycling, groundwater storage, and increased rationing during drought years.

Global warming means that we need to minimize our water use at all times - not just during a drought. According to Heather Cooley of the Pacific Institute, the energy required to process and transport the

water that comes out of a kitchen faucet for 5 minutes is equivalent to the energy required to light a 60 watt incandescent bulb for 14 hours.

The Pardee reservoir enlargement will drown a segment of the Mokelumne River recommended by the BLM for wild and scenic river protection. This section is also popular for kayaking and fishing. The Pardee enlargement would destroy the recently renovated Middle Bar Bridge and other existing and proposed public access facilities, as well as require the costly relocation of the Hwy 49 bridge.

The Lower Bear reservoir enlargement could alter Mokelumne River flows that have been improved to benefit fish, wildlife, and recreation. These improved flows took years to negotiate as part of PG&E's federal hydroelectric license. EBMUD's proposed reservoir enlargements will thwart the decades of work that have gone into making the Mokelumne a more viable recreation resource that will economically benefit foothill communities.

Please revise the Plan to eliminate the Pardee and Lower Bear Reservoir enlargements. The Plan should focus on increased conservation, recycling, and drought year rationing instead.



Sincerely,

Mr. Leonard Conly  
1252 Gilman St  
Berkeley, CA 94706-2353

## Leonard Conly (LCo)

- LCo-1. Please see response Form Letter 3-1.
- LCo-2. EBMUD supports increased water conservation and water recycling and has included a high level of conservation and recycled water in the WSMP 2040. These components would provide potable water savings in all years, not just during a drought. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives.
- LCo-3. Please see response Form Letter 3-2.
- LCo-4. Please see response Form Letter 3-3.

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf  
Of Lillian Davidson-Davis  
Sent: Wednesday, March 18, 2009 10:45 AM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Mar 18, 2009

Mr. Thomas Francis  
375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

Dear Mr. Francis,

Please do not enlarge the Pardee and Lower Bear reservoirs downing a  
segment of the Mokelumne River.

I believe that EBMUD can easily meet its future water needs without  
enlarging the Pardee or Lower Bear Reservoirs. EBMUD's proposed Water  
Supply Management Plan is significantly overestimating future demand.  
In addition, the Plan substantially underestimates the amount of water  
that could be produced by reasonable and achievable increases in water  
conservation, recycling, groundwater storage, and increased rationing  
during drought years.

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The Pardee reservoir enlargement will drown a segment of the Mokelumne

River recommended by the BLM for wild and scenic river protection. This

section is also popular for kayaking and fishing. The Pardee enlargment  
would destroy the recently renovated Middle Bar Bridge and other  
existing and proposed public access facilities, as well as require the  
costly relocation of the Hwy 49 bridge.

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Water cannot be made by man, nor can free-flowing rivers with their  
Earth-enhancing habitats. Please think of Earth first.

Please revise the Plan to eliminate the Pardee and Lower Bear Reservoir  
enlargements. The Plan should focus on increased conservation,  
recycling, and drought year rationing instead.

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Sincerely,

Ms. Lillian Davidson-Davis  
1365 Beckett Ct  
Hemet, CA 92545-9490

**Lillian Davidson-Davis (LDD)**

LDD-1. Please see response Form Letter 3-1.

LDD-2. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to expanded reservoirs and new dams. Impacts to the natural environment will be fully examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component.

The alternative development process included an in-depth evaluation of over 50 components and a range of portfolios before the Board selected the Preferred Portfolio. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives.

LDD-3. Please see response Form Letter 3-3.



From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf Of Larry Dennis  
Sent: Tuesday, March 24, 2009 5:21 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Mar 24, 2009

Mr. Thomas Francis  
375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

Dear Mr. Francis,

Please do not enlarge the Pardee and Lower Bear reservoirs drowning a segment of the Mokelumne River.

I believe that EBMUD can easily meet its future water needs without enlarging the Pardee or Lower Bear Reservoirs. EBMUD's proposed Water Supply Management Plan is significantly overestimating future demand. In addition, the Plan substantially underestimates the amount of water that could be produced by reasonable and achievable increases in water conservation, recycling, groundwater storage, and increased rationing during drought years.

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The Lower Bear reservoir enlargement could alter Mokelumne River flows that have been improved to benefit fish, wildlife, and recreation. These improved flows took years to negotiate as part of PG&E's federal hydroelectric license. EBMUD's proposed reservoir enlargements will thwart the decades of work that have gone into making the Mokelumne a more viable recreation resource that will economically benefit foothill communities.

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DON'T START A FIGHT YOU WILL NEVER WIN!

Please revise the Plan to eliminate the Pardee and Lower Bear Reservoir enlargements. The Plan should focus on increased conservation, recycling, and drought year rationing instead.

Sincerely,

Mr. Larry Dennis  
35170 Garcia St  
Union City, CA 94587-5206

**Larry Dennis (LDenn)**

LDenn-1. Please see response Form Letter 3-1.

LDenn-2. Please see response Form Letter 3-2.

LDenn-3. Please see response Form Letter 3-3.

-----Original Message-----

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf Of Laura Drath  
Sent: Wednesday, March 18, 2009 7:15 AM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Mar 18, 2009

Mr. Thomas Francis  
375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

Dear Mr. Francis,

Please do not enlarge the Pardee and Lower Bear reservoirs downing a segment of the Mokelumne River.

As a kayaker, nearly life-long resident of central California, and mother-to-be, I urge you not to drown the Mokelumne. The river is valuable as an incentive for tourism and recreation and as a natural habitat, and we simply can't continue to destroy more and more in the hopes that it will someday be enough.

I believe that EBMUD can easily meet its future water needs without enlarging the Pardee or Lower Bear Reservoirs. EBMUD's proposed Water Supply Management Plan is significantly overestimating future demand. In addition, the Plan substantially underestimates the amount of water that could be produced by reasonable and achievable increases in water conservation, recycling, groundwater storage, and increased rationing during drought years.

The Pardee reservoir enlargement will drown a segment of the Mokelumne River recommended by the BLM for wild and scenic river protection. This section is also popular for kayaking and fishing. The Pardee enlargement would destroy the recently renovated Middle Bar Bridge and other existing and proposed public access facilities, as well as require the costly relocation of the Hwy 49 bridge.

The Lower Bear reservoir enlargement could alter Mokelumne River flows that have been improved to benefit fish, wildlife, and recreation. These improved flows took years to negotiate as part of PG&E's federal hydroelectric license. EBMUD's proposed reservoir enlargements will thwart the decades of work that have gone into making the Mokelumne a more viable recreation resource that will economically benefit foothill communities.

Please revise the Plan to eliminate the Pardee and Lower Bear Reservoir enlargements. The Plan should focus on increased conservation, recycling, and drought year rationing instead.

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Sincerely,

Mrs. Laura Drath  
5800 11th Ave  
Sacramento, CA 95820-2431

## Laura Drath (LDr)

- LDr-1. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir and Enlarge Lower Bear Reservoir components of the WSMP 2040.
- LDr-2. EBMUD recognizes the importance of the Mokelumne River to the local community and EBMUD appreciates the commenter's support for and enjoyment of recreation opportunities in the Mokelumne River. EBMUD also agrees with the commenter that the Mokelumne River is a valuable resource for tourism, recreation, and natural habitat. Please see the Master Response on the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component.
- EBMUD recognizes the many recreational opportunities provided by the Mokelumne River (please see pages 4.2.D-5 through 4.2.D-6 of the Draft PEIR and FC-24). At this stage, there is no certainty regarding the impacts of the potential Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Please see the Master Response on Program-level EIR analysis. Impacts to recreation and natural habitat will be thoroughly examined in the project-level EIR for this component, when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning. The project-level EIR will also identify specific mitigation measures to reduce significant impacts. Please also see the response to FC-6 for a discussion of local opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component.
- LDr-3. Please see response Form Letter 3-1.
- LDr-4. Please see response Form Letter 3-2.
- LDr-5. Please see response Form Letter 3-3.

From: friendlyearth@comcast.net [mailto:friendlyearth@comcast.net]  
Sent: Friday, March 27, 2009 9:08 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Please drop plans to expand Pardee Reservoir

Dear East Bay MUD and Local officials:

I urge you to drop your plans to build a new Pardee Dam and expand Pardee Reservoir as part of the EBMUD 2040 water plan. This area is a natural place to go for refuge from the hustle and bustle of our busy lives.

Even though I moved to El Dorado County, I still go back to walk along the Mokelumne River on Electra Road to recharge myself. I have taken my daughter there to walk and pick up trash at the river since she was a baby and she is 11 now. We even saw a bald eagle there on Christmas Day when she was only 3.

This plan takes away much more than it gives. There have got to be other ideas for solving problems than taking away a Wild and Scenic area of the Mokelumne River that is enjoyed by so many.

Please leave these miles of the Mokelumne River for future generations.

Sincerely,  
Lori and Claressa Mills

Lori Mills  
5508 Crossbill Lane  
El Dorado, CA 95623

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## Lori & Claresa Mills 1 - Responses to Comment Letter #1 - 3/27/09 (LMi1)

- LMi1-1. Please see response Form Letter 2-1.
- LMi1-2. EBMUD recognizes the many recreational opportunities provided by the Mokelumne River, as well as its importance to the local community.
- LMi1-3. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040. Impacts to recreation will be fully examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Please also see response Form Letter 2-6.

From: Mills [mailto:friendlyearth@comcast.net]  
Sent: Tue 3/31/2009 12:32 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Cc: randy@foothillconservancy.org  
Subject: Opposition to expansion of Pardee Reservoir

Hello to T. Francis of EBMUD:

I want to voice my opposition to the proposed expansion of the Pardee Dam in Amador County on the Mokelumne River. My daughter and I have walked along that river for refreshment and rejuvenation since she was a baby and she is now 11. We need to keep this area in its natural state so that people can continue to kayak there and swim and enjoy our river for generations to come.

Please take note of this opposition to the part of EBMUD's 2040 water plan that involves expanding the Pardee Reservoir.

Sincerely,  
Lori Mills  
El Dorado county resident, formerly of Amador County

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## Lori Mills 2 - Responses to Comment Letter #2 - 3/31/09 (LMi2)

- LMi2-1. EBMUD recognizes the many recreational opportunities provided by the Mokelumne River, as well as its importance to the local community. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040. Impacts to recreation will be fully examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Please also see response Form Letter 2-6.

From: Linda and Don Winn [mailto:ldwinn@dishmail.net]  
Sent: Sunday, March 29, 2009 6:58 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Pardee Expansion

We are writing to express our opposition to the Pardee Expansion. We concur with the opinions and concerns expressed at the meeting at the Amador Water District and feel more efforts need to be made toward conserving water use. My husband I did not come away from that meeting with the sense that was the expectation of the Bay Area Populations. We would like to see more emphasis on building storage capacity such as underground reservoirs or large storage holding tanks. We are not convinced everyone is doing their part to conserve water and do not feel it is appropriate to keep taking more and more from this area. At some point, that solution will dry up and then what's next? That river needs to be protected now so it will be there in the future.

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Thank you

Linda and Don Winn

**Linda & Don Winn (LWin)**

- LWin-1. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040. EBMUD supports increased water conservation and has included a high level of conservation in the WSMP 2040. In dry years, rationing is applied in addition to the conservation goals. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives.

From: bradyjohn@volcano.net [mailto:bradyjohn@volcano.net]  
Sent: Wednesday, April 29, 2009 11:38 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Please drop plans to expand Pardee Reservoir

Dear East Bay MUD and local officials: I urge you to drop your plans to build a new Pardee Dam and expand Pardee Reservoir as part of the EBMUD 2040 water plan.

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½ A new dam will be too expensive for EBMUD ratepayers, provide relatively little new water, and harm miles of the Mokelumne River.

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½ Enlarging Pardee will drown a part of the Mokelumne popular for kayaking and fishing, submerge or require removal of the historic Middle Bar Bridge and river access facilities, inundate important cultural resources, require construction of a new Highway 49 bridge, and seasonally inundate nearly a mile of river proposed for National Wild and Scenic River designation by the Bureau of Land Management.

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½ Enlarging Pardee will destroy decades of work and investment by public agencies and local residents to improve recreational use of the Mokelumne River, thwarting local efforts to use the river for economic development.

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½ Creating dead-end roads approaching the river will cut off a critical fire evacuation route for residents of Middle Bar and Gwin Mine roads.

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½ There is no reason to destroy more miles of a popular river used by locals and visitors alike and its fish habitat. You can avoid the environmental, social and economic cost by using your water supplies, including the new American River water supply, more efficiently.

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Please leave these miles of the Mokelumne a river for future generations. We moved from San Francisco 20 years ago to live closer to the rivers and beauty of the foothills. Let us find ways to conserve the water already flowing to the Contra Costa area that does not contort the Mokelumne River into a shadow of its great physical and spiritual power.

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Marta Johnson RN BA PHN  
8392 Prindle Road  
Mokelumne Hill, CA 95245

## Marta Johnson (MaJo)

MaJo-1. Please see response Form Letter 2-1.

MaJo-2. Please see response Form Letter 2-2.

MaJo-3. Please see response Form Letter 2-3.

MaJo-4. Please see response Form Letter 2-4.

MaJo-5. Please see response Form Letter 2-5.

MaJo-6. Please see response Form Letter 2-6.

MaJo-7. EBMUD recognizes the importance of the Mokelumne River to the local community. The District acknowledges the commenter's support for water conservation as well as the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. As stated in the Master Response on the WSMP 2040, the District is committed to implementing high levels of water conservation and recycling.

From: margaret@copenhavercpa.com [mailto:margaret@copenhavercpa.com]  
Sent: Sat 3/14/2009 8:14 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Please drop plans to expand Pardee Reservoir

Dear East Bay MUD and Local officials:

As landowners on the South Fork of the Mokelumne River, we feel threatened. When will this stop? Our wild rivers have been dammed enough. It has to stop. So few are left, and we need to preserve them for future generations. It is our responsibility. We need to conserve more.

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I urge you to drop your plans to build a new Pardee Dam and expand Pardee Reservoir as part of the EBMUD 2040 water plan.

\* A new dam will be too expensive for EBMUD ratepayers, provide relatively little new water, and harm miles of the Mokelumne River.

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\* Enlarging Pardee will drown a part of the Mokelumne popular for kayaking and fishing, submerge or require removal of the historic Middle Bar Bridge and river access facilities, inundate cultural resources, require construction of a new Highway 49 bridge, and seasonally inundate nearly a mile of river proposed for National Wild and Scenic River designation by the Bureau of Land Management.

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\* Enlarging Pardee will destroy decades of work and investment by public agencies and local residents to improve recreational use of the Mokelumne River, thwarting local efforts to use the river for economic development.

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\* Creating dead-end roads approaching the river will cut off a critical fire evacuation route for residents of Middle Bar and Gwin Mine roads.

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\* There is no reason to destroy more miles of a popular river and its fish habitat. You can avoid the environmental, social and economic cost by using your water supplies, including the new American River water supply, more efficiently.

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Enough is enough.

Thank you for your consideration.



Margaret Copenhaver  
18126 Highway 26, P.O. Box 40  
Glencoe, CA 95232

## Margaret Copenhaver 1 - Responses to Comment Letter #1 - 3/14/09 (MCop1)

MCop1-1. Please see response Form Letter 2-1. Impacts, including to the Mokelumne River, will be thoroughly examined in the project-level EIR for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component, when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning. The project-level EIR will also identify specific mitigation measures to reduce significant impacts.

EBMUD supports increased water conservation and has included a high level of conservation in the WSMP 2040. Conservation Level D was selected for inclusion in the Preferred Portfolio because it establishes an aggressive conservation goal that is greater than the District's current level of investment and it ensures that the District will continue to be a leader in the demand management aspects of future water supply planning. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives.

MCop1-2. Please see response Form Letter 2-2.

MCop1-3. Please see response Form Letter 2-3.

MCop1-4. Please see response Form Letter 2-4.

MCop1-5. Please see response Form Letter 2-5.

MCop1-6. Please see response Form Letter 2-6.



From: mcottriel@yahoo.com [mailto:mcottriel@yahoo.com]  
Sent: Monday, March 16, 2009 11:02 AM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Please drop plans to expand Pardee Reservoir

Dear East Bay MUD and local officials: I urge you to drop your plans to build a new Pardee Dam and expand Pardee Reservoir as part of the EBMUD 2040 water plan.

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\* A new dam will be too expensive for EBMUD ratepayers, provide relatively little new water, and harm miles of the Mokelumne River.

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\* Enlarging Pardee will drown a part of the Mokelumne popular for kayaking and fishing, submerge or require removal of the historic Middle Bar Bridge and river access facilities, inundate cultural resources, require construction of a new Highway 49 bridge, and seasonally inundate nearly a mile of river proposed for National Wild and Scenic River designation by the Bureau of Land Management.

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\* There is no reason to destroy more miles of a popular river and its fish habitat. You can avoid the environmental, social and economic cost by using your water supplies, including the new American River water supply, more efficiently.

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Please leave these miles of the Mokelumne a river for future generations.

Yes, this is a form letter, but here are MY comments. It seems to me that a decision to destroy our natural resources should only be considered after all other means to accommodate "the need" are undertaken. In this case, you say we "need more water", and that may be true. But I want to see ALL means of conservation and efficient use of our current water resources being fully implemented before even entertaining the thought of the damage and destruction that are proposed with the Pardee Expansion Project.

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There are many types of recreational outlets this stretch of river offers to those who want to fish, picnic, boat, or just hang out along the banks of this flowing foothill gem. I have treasured the opportunity to play in the waters of this river and though I now live out of the area I would like this opportunity to remain. The local value of these natural resources is, I think, something the local tourist industry should be mindful of. In these economic times, please let us not mindlessly fund "make work" projects. Let us instead create jobs that truly support the community and it's people.

Margy Cottriel  
224 John St.  
Santa Cruz, CA 95060

## Margy Cottriel (MCot)

- MCot-1. Please see response Form Letter 2-1.
- MCot-2. Please see response Form Letter 2-2.
- MCot-3. Please see response Form Letter 2-3.
- MCot-4. Please see response Form Letter 2-4.
- MCot-5. Please see response Form Letter 2-5.
- MCot-6. Please see response Form Letter 2-6.
- MCot-7. The alternative development process included an in-depth evaluation of over 50 components and a range of portfolios before the Board selected the Preferred Portfolio. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives. As stated in the Master Response on the WSMP 2040, the District is committed to implementing high levels of water conservation. Conservation Level D was selected for inclusion in the Preferred Portfolio because it establishes an aggressive conservation goal that is greater than the District's current level of investment and it ensures that the District will continue to be a leader in the demand management aspects of future water supply planning.
- MCot-8. EBMUD recognizes the many recreational opportunities provided by the Mokelumne River, as well as its importance to the local community. Impacts to recreation and other resources will be thoroughly examined in the project-level EIR for this component, when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning. The project-level EIR will also identify specific mitigation measures to reduce significant impacts.

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf Of Marguerite Dessornes  
Sent: Tuesday, March 24, 2009 3:21 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam, Save the Moke!

Mar 24, 2009

Mr. Thomas Francis  
375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

Dear Mr. Francis,

Please do not enlarge the Pardee and Lower Bear reservoirs drowning a segment of the Mokelumne River.

I believe that EBMUD can easily meet its future water needs without enlarging the Pardee or Lower Bear Reservoirs. EBMUD's proposed Water Supply Management Plan is significantly overestimating future demand. In addition, the Plan substantially underestimates the amount of water that could be produced by reasonable and achievable increases in water conservation, recycling, groundwater storage, and increased rationing during drought years.

The Pardee reservoir enlargement will drown a segment of the Mokelumne River recommended by the BLM for wild and scenic river protection. This section is also popular for kayaking and fishing. The Pardee enlargement would destroy the recently renovated Middle Bar Bridge and other existing and proposed public access facilities, as well as require the costly relocation of the Hwy 49 bridge.

The Lower Bear reservoir enlargement could alter Mokelumne River flows that have been improved to benefit fish, wildlife, and recreation. These improved flows took years to negotiate as part of PG&E's federal hydroelectric license. EBMUD's proposed reservoir enlargements will thwart the decades of work that have gone into making the Mokelumne a more viable recreation resource that will economically benefit foothill communities.

Drowning the Moke is not the answer - there are many alternatives.

Please revise the Plan to eliminate the Pardee and Lower Bear Reservoir enlargements. The Plan should focus on increased conservation, recycling, and drought year rationing instead.

Sincerely,

Ms. Marguerite Dessornes  
3143 Potter Ave  
Thousand Oaks, CA 91360-6426



## Marguerite Dessornes (MDes)

MDes-1. Please see response Form Letter 3-1.

MDes-2. Please see response Form Letter 3-2.

MDes-3. Please see response Form Letter 3-3.

MDes-4. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040. The alternative development process included an in-depth evaluation of over 50 components and a range of portfolios before the Board selected the Preferred Portfolio. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives.

MDes-5. EBMUD recognizes the value of water conservation, recycling and rationing, and has included them as components in the Preferred Portfolio. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040.

From: dsobol99@netscape.net [mailto:dsobol99@netscape.net]  
Sent: Sun 4/5/2009 8:04 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Raising Pardee dam

Dear Mr Francis,

I am against raising the level of Pardee dam. I paddle from Electra PH to Middle Bar 3 or 4 times a week during the winter. Flooding such a unique waterway would be a recreational disaster. There are few places with water during the winter months besides the Mokelumne River.

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Regards,

Michael Fonda  
Lodi, Ca

## Michael Fonda (MFo)

MFo-1. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040.

EBMUD recognizes the many recreational opportunities provided by the Mokelumne River (please see pages 4.2.D-5 through 4.2.D-6 of the Draft PEIR and response FC-24). Impacts to recreation will be thoroughly examined in the project-level EIR for this component, when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning. The project-level EIR will also identify specific mitigation measures to reduce significant impacts. Please also see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives.

From: marionf@omsoft.com [mailto:marionf@omsoft.com]  
Sent: Monday, May 04, 2009 6:54 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Please drop plans to expand Pardee Reservoir

Dear East Bay MUD and local officials: I urge you to drop your plans to build a new Pardee Dam and expand Pardee Reservoir as part of the EBMUD 2040 water plan.

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This river is a gem where I have kayaked many times and my husband has fished. We need the wilderness and we need to figure out how to move forward without destroying a place beloved by so many people.

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Please leave these miles of the Mokelumne a river for future generations.

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Thank you.

Marion Franck  
2235 Alameda Avenue  
Davis, CA 95616-3007



**Marion Franck (MFranc)**

MFranc-1. Please see response Form Letter 2-1.

MFranc-2. EBMUD recognizes the many recreational opportunities provided by the Mokelumne River, as well as its importance to the local community.

The alternative development process included an in-depth evaluation of over 50 components and a range of portfolios before the Board selected the Preferred Portfolio. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives.

MFranc-3. The District acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040.

From: Marion Gee [mailto:marionjgee@yahoo.com]  
Sent: Monday, March 16, 2009 9:49 AM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: No to Pardee Reservoir enlargement

Thomas B. Francis  
EBMUD Water Supply Improvements Division  
375 11<sup>th</sup> Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

Dear Mr. Francis:

I oppose the Pardee Reservoir enlargement proposed in EBMUD's Water Supply Management Plan and Programmatic Environmental Impact Report.

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Building new and raising existing dams are simply too expensive for EBMUD ratepayers. These dam options provide relatively little water and will be harmful to the river and to local communities that depend on the revenue brought in from recreation.

2

The Pardee Reservoir enlargement will drown a segment of the Mokelumne River popular for kayaking and fishing, destroy existing and proposed public access facilities (including the Middle Bar Bridge), require the relocation of the Hwy 49 bridge, and seasonally inundate nearly a mile of the Mokelumne proposed for Wild & Scenic River protection by the Bureau of Land Management.

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EBMUD has already made amazing strides with water conservation and should continue to more efficiently use its existing water supplies by increasing water conservation and recycling and exploring other, less environmentally harmful options.

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Thank you.

Sincerely

Marion Gee  
PO Box 13675  
South Lake Tahoe, CA 96151  
949-378-5253  
[marionjgee@yahoo.com](mailto:marionjgee@yahoo.com)

## Marion Gee (MGee)

- MGee-1. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040.
- MGee-2. Please see the response Form Letter 2-2.
- MGee-3. Please see the response Form Letter 2-3.
- MGee-4. The District acknowledges the commenter's support for water conservation, water recycling and other soft path projects, as well as the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. As stated in the Master Response on the WSMP 2040, the District is committed to implementing high levels of water conservation and recycling.

-----Original Message-----

From: mjgenochi o@yahoo.com [mailto:mjgenochi o@yahoo.com]

Sent: Wednesday, March 18, 2009 11:18 AM

To: Francis, Thomas

Subject: Please drop plans to expand Pardee Reservoir

Dear East Bay MUD and local officials: I urge you to drop your plans to build a new Pardee Dam and expand Pardee Reservoir as part of the EBMUD 2040 water plan.

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\* A new dam will be too expensive for EBMUD ratepayers, provide relatively little new water, and harm miles of the Mokelumne River.

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\* Enlarging Pardee will drown a part of the Mokelumne popular for kayaking and fishing, submerge or require removal of the historic Middle Bar Bridge and river access facilities, inundate cultural resources, require construction of a new Highway 49 bridge, and seasonally inundate nearly a mile of river proposed for National Wild and Scenic River designation by the Bureau of Land Management.

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\* Enlarging Pardee will destroy decades of work and investment by public agencies and local residents to improve recreational use of the Mokelumne River, thwarting local efforts to use the river for economic development.

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\* Creating dead-end roads approaching the river will cut off a critical fire evacuation route for residents of Middle Bar and Gwin Mine roads.

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\* There is no reason to destroy more miles of a popular river and its fish habitat. You can avoid the environmental, social and economic cost by using your water supplies, including the new American River water supply, more efficiently.

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Your plans to ease the water issue encourages people not to conserve and be good stewards of our resources. Your plan encourages people to abuse our resources rather than appreciate them. Your plan destroys the future...its like planning to buy a hybrid car when gas prices are \$4.00/gal but later buying a gas guzzling truck when prices drop to \$2.00. As a descendent of gold rush immigrants from 1850, let's preserve our history and culture. Nature saves us from ourselves, so do disturb Middle Bar. Its a refuge.

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Please leave these miles of the Mokelumne a river for future generations.

Mary Jane Genochio  
545 Diamond Lane  
Mokelumne Hill, CA 95245

## Mary Jane Genochio (MGen)

MGen-1. Please see response Form Letter 2-1.

MGen-2. Please see response Form Letter 2-2.

MGen-3. Please see response Form Letter 2-3.

MGen-4. Please see response Form Letter 2-4.

MGen-5. Please see response Form Letter 2-5.

MGen-6. Please see response Form Letter 2-6.

MGen-7. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the WSMP 2040, and specifically to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component which would disturb Middle Bar. Impacts to historical, cultural, and natural resources will be fully examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. EBMUD supports increased water conservation and has included a high level of conservation in the WSMP 2040. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives.

From: Marlene Gideon [mailto:mgideon@placertitle.com]  
Sent: Tuesday, March 17, 2009 8:58 AM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: OPPOSED TO RAISING PARDEE - REQUEST FOR MORE PUBLIC HEARINGS  
Importance: High

**Mr. Francis**

**I, along with most of my fellow Amador/Alpine and Calaveras County Residents are strongly opposed to the raising of the Pardee Reservoir.**

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**I am very disappointed in the fact that you only planned one public hearing, and only in Amador County to hear our concerns, since we are the ones being negatively impacted by your decisions to raise the dam, yet until last Friday when an article came out in our local paper most people in our counties were totally unaware of this meeting, and it is an outrage, that the residents of Calaveras and Alpine Counties were totally left out. The meeting that was held last night was held in a facility that was only meant for about 40 people at max, and there was a crowd of 150+ that should up even though it was a short notice and many having to stand outside in the cold for 2 ½ hours +. I am offended that you guys think there are so little of us that care about what happens/affects our communities.**

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**I'm asking that hold more public hearings in all three counties, and facilities large enough for everyone to sit inside and hear all that is said, and also have the meetings in the evening so people who have to work can attend. I would also ask that you consider extending the April 6 deadline for comments since many people were not aware of this.**

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**Thank you for your consideration.  
Marlene Gideon**

## Marlene Gideon (MGi)

- MGi-1. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040. EBMUD agrees with the commenter that the Mokelumne River is a valuable resource and EBMUD recognizes the importance of the Mokelumne River to the local community. Please see the Master Response on the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. At this stage, there is no certainty regarding the impacts of the potential Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Please see the Master Response on Program-level EIR analysis. Project impacts will be thoroughly evaluated in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning for this component.
- MGi-2. EBMUD conducted extensive outreach as part of the development of the WSMP 2040. EBMUD conducted an 18-month-long alternative development process prior to preparing the Draft PEIR. The public was invited to a series of workshops to provide input on the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives. Public input will also be sought for future project-level actions.
- EBMUD recognized the need for an additional public meeting beyond the original four meetings scheduled on the Draft PEIR. A fifth public meeting was held in the community of San Andreas in Calaveras County on March 30 2009. Please see the response to AWA-6.
- MGi-3. The 45-day public review period for the Draft PEIR extended from February 19 through April 6, 2009. In response to requests for additional review time, the District extended the public review period until May 4, 2009.



From: spiriritinthewind95249@yahoo.com  
[mailto:spiriritinthewind95249@yahoo.com]  
Sent: Monday, March 16, 2009 10:48 AM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Please drop plans to expand Pardee Reservoir

Dear East Bay MUD and local officials: I urge you to drop your plans to build a new Pardee Dam and expand Pardee Reservoir as part of the EBMUD 2040 water plan.

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\* A new dam will be too expensive for EBMUD ratepayers, provide relatively little new water, and harm miles of the Mokelumne River.

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\* Enlarging Pardee will destroy decades of work and investment by public agencies and local residents to improve recreational use of the Mokelumne River, thwarting local efforts to use the river for economic development.

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\* Creating dead-end roads approaching the river will cut off a critical fire evacuation route for residents of Middle Bar and Gwin Mine roads.

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\* There is no reason to destroy more miles of a popular river and its fish habitat. You can avoid the environmental, social and economic cost by using your water supplies, including the new American River water supply, more efficiently.

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Please leave these miles of the Mokelumne a river for future generations.

This is so unacceptable! I am alerting all 4 counties of Miwok people now!

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Marge Grow

P. O. BOX 1021  
San Andreas, CA 95249

## Marge Grow (MGro)

- MGro-1. Please see Response Form Letter 2-1.
- MGro-2. Please see Response Form Letter 2-2.
- MGro-3. Please see Response Form Letter 2-3.
- MGro-4. Please see Response Form Letter 2-4.
- MGro-5. Please see Response Form Letter 2-5.
- MGro-6. Please see Response Form Letter 2-6.
- MGro-7. EBMUD recognizes the importance of the Mokelumne River to the Me-wuk people and their cultural practices. EBMUD will consult with the Me-wuk and will conduct a thorough evaluation of cultural resources impacts, including impacts on current cultural practices and any sacred sites, in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component.

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf Of M. L. Heller  
Sent: Tuesday, March 24, 2009 5:21 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Mar 24, 2009

Mr. Thomas Francis  
375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

Dear Mr. Francis,

Please do not enlarge the Pardee and Lower Bear reservoirs drowning a segment of the Mokelumne River.

I'm writing to express my belief that EBMUD can easily meet its future water needs without enlarging the Pardee or Lower Bear Reservoirs. EBMUD's proposed Water Supply Management Plan is significantly overestimating future demand. In addition, the Plan substantially

underestimates the amount of water that might be produced by reasonable and achievable increases in water conservation, recycling, groundwater storage, and increased rationing during drought years.

The Pardee reservoir enlargement will drown a segment of the Mokelumne River recommended by the BLM for wild and scenic river protection. This section is also popular for kayaking and fishing. The Pardee enlargement would destroy the recently renovated Middle Bar Bridge and other existing and proposed public access facilities, as well as require the costly relocation of the Hwy 49 bridge.

The Lower Bear reservoir enlargement could alter Mokelumne River flows that have been improved to benefit fish, wildlife, and recreation. These improved flows took years to negotiate as part of PG&E's federal hydroelectric license. EBMUD's proposed reservoir enlargements will thwart the decades of work that have gone into making the Mokelumne a more viable recreation resource that will economically benefit foothill communities.

Please revise the Plan to eliminate the Pardee and Lower Bear Reservoir enlargements. The Plan should focus on increased conservation, recycling, and drought year rationing instead.

Sincerely,

Dr. M. L. Heller  
PO Box 51362

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Irvine, CA 92619-1362

**M.L. Heller (MHel)**

MHel-1. Please see response Form Letter 3-1.

MHel-2. Please see response Form Letter 3-2.

MHel-3. Please see response Form Letter 3-3.

From: Marci [mailto:marci@consult828.com]  
Sent: Tuesday, April 07, 2009 11:03 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Response to the water tier proposal

Mr. Francis,

I oppose the proposal to add more tiers to the water fees system and the fee increase.

Please keep the current 3-tier system of fees for water usage.

Thank you.

Marci Hue

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**Marci Hue (MHu)**

MHu-1. Please see the responses to SCSFB2-7 and SCSFB2-17 for a discussion of EBMUD's rate pricing structure.



From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf Of Matthew Isles  
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2009 4:52 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Mar 31, 2009

Mr. Thomas Francis  
375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

Dear Mr. Francis,

Please do not enlarge the Pardee and Lower Bear reservoirs drowning a segment of the Mokelumne River.

I'm a rafter, an environmentalist, an EBMUD customer, and someone who takes a keen interest in water issues. In fact, I'm just about to go back to school to study these issues. I am strongly against the construction of more dam height. Please, don't do it. Mandatory

cutbacks and rate hikes are the only real longterm. They're unpopular, but necessary, and can prevent the need for raising the dam level.

Please revise the Plan to eliminate the Pardee and Lower Bear Reservoir enlargements. The Plan should focus on increased conservation, recycling, and drought year rationing instead.

Sincerely,

Mr. Matthew Isles  
626 Grand Ave Apt 4

Oakland, CA 94610-3534

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## **Matthew Isles 1 - Responses to Comment Letter #1 - 3/31/09 (MI1)**

MI1-1. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to expanded reservoirs and new dams. Please also see response Form Letter 1-1.

MI1-2. Please see response Form Letter 1-4

From: Matthew Isles [mailto:matthewisles@hotmail.com]  
Sent: Fri 5/1/2009 9:46 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Mokelumne

Dear Mr. Francis.

I'd like to make two comments regarding the planned expansion of the Pardee Dam. I am strongly opposed to the creation of a new higher dam, further up river. This would not only be wantonly destructive to a beautiful stretch of river, it would also be unnecessary.

1

I am strongly in favor of stricter, higher pricing of our most precious resource: water. As the East Bay Express noted recently, you're organization has in recent years been hesitant to raise prices because wealthy, active people who live in the district are opposed to you doing so. SO WHAT?! Your responsibility to deliver water at a fair price does not exist in a vacuum. The environmental health of the watershed, and of the people and animals or plants that rely on it. To create this dam is an act of cowardice, and avarice. Yes, EBMUD makes lots of money from customers who use a lot of water who are also of the activist bent. And yes, EBMUD might face opposition from profligate users of water afraid of having to pay a price for their water that actually reflects its value. Again, SO WHAT.

2

I don't make much money, but I'm willing to pay more for water. So do many I know. Don't go ahead with the Dam plans.

Also, I wanted to add that your public solicitation for comments on this issue was very unclear as to the weightiness of the subject at issue.

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Matthew Isles

Matthew D. O. Isles  
626 Grand Ave., Apt. 4  
Oakland, CA 94610 c- 510.301.4622 / h- 510.625.0626  
"Pura vida!"

## Matthew Isles 2 - Responses to Comment Letter #2 - 5/1/09 (MI2)

- MI2-1. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040.
- MI2-2. Please see the responses to SCSFB2-7 and SCSFB2-17 for a discussion of EBMUD's rate pricing structure.
- MI2-3. EBMUD conducted extensive outreach as part of the development of the WSMP 2040. EBMUD conducted an 18-month-long alternative development process prior to preparing the Draft PEIR. The public was invited to a series of workshops to provide input on the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives. Public input will also be sought for future project-level actions.

EBMUD recognized the need for an additional public meeting beyond the original four meetings scheduled on the Draft PEIR. A fifth public meeting was held in the community of San Andreas in Calaveras County on March 30 2009. Please see the response to AWA-6.

The 45-day public review period for the Draft PEIR extended from February 19 through April 6, 2009. In response to requests for additional review time, the District extended the public review period until May 4, 2009.

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf Of Marla Morrissey  
Sent: Wednesday, March 25, 2009 8:23 AM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Mar 25, 2009

Mr. Thomas Francis  
375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

Dear Mr. Francis,

Please do not enlarge the Pardee and Lower Bear reservoirs drowning a segment of the Mokelumne River.

We need to have a preservation and conservation ethic and practice in water use. I believe that EBMUD can easily meet its future water needs

without enlarging the Pardee or Lower Bear Reservoirs. EBMUD's proposed Water Supply Management Plan is significantly overestimating future demand. In addition, the Plan substantially underestimates the amount of water that could be produced by reasonable and achievable increases in water conservation, recycling, groundwater storage, and increased rationing during drought years.

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The Pardee reservoir enlargement will drown a segment of the Mokelumne River recommended by the BLM for wild and scenic river protection. This section is also popular for kayaking and fishing. The Pardee enlargement would destroy the recently renovated Middle Bar Bridge and other existing and proposed public access facilities, as well as require the costly relocation of the Hwy 49 bridge.

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Sincerely Marla Morrissey  
1805 S Villa Palermo Ca 95968

Please revise the Plan to eliminate the Pardee and Lower Bear Reservoir enlargements. The Plan should focus on increased conservation, recycling, and drought year rationing instead.

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Sincerely,

Ms. Marla Morrissey  
1805 S Villa Ave  
Palermo, CA 95968-9609

**Marla Morrissey (MMo)**

MMo-1. Please see response Form Letter 1-1.

MMo-2. Please see response Form Letter 1-2.

MMo-3. Please see response Form Letter 1-4.

From: Friends of the River on behalf of Mary Murray  
Sent: Tue 3/17/2009 8:13 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Mar 17, 2009

Mr. Thomas Francis  
375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

Dear Mr. Francis,

Please do not enlarge the Pardee and Lower Bear reservoirs downing a segment of the Mokelumne River.

I believe that EBMUD can easily meet its future water needs without enlarging the Pardee or Lower Bear Reservoirs. EBMUD's proposed Water Supply Management Plan is significantly overestimating future demand. In addition, the Plan substantially underestimates the amount of water that could be produced by reasonable and achievable increases in water conservation, recycling, groundwater storage, and increased rationing during drought years.

The Pardee reservoir enlargement will drown a segment of the Mokelumne River recommended by the BLM for wild and scenic river protection. This section is also popular for kayaking and fishing. The Pardee enlargement would destroy the recently renovated Middle Bar Bridge and other existing and proposed public access facilities, as well as require the costly relocation of the Hwy 49 bridge.

The Lower Bear reservoir enlargement could alter Mokelumne River flows that have been improved to benefit fish, wildlife, and recreation. These improved flows took years to negotiate as part of PG&E's federal hydroelectric license. EBMUD's proposed reservoir enlargements will thwart the decades of work that have gone into making the Mokelumne a more viable recreation resource that will economically benefit foothill communities.

As stewards of the river environment, it is important to demonstrate to young people that we value our natural treasures.

Please revise the Plan to eliminate the Pardee and Lower Bear Reservoir enlargements. The Plan should focus on increased conservation, recycling, and drought year rationing instead.

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Ms. Mary Murray  
4101 Lamarck Ave  
Modesto, CA 95356-8908



**Mary Murray (MMu)**

- MMu-1. Please see response Form Letter 3-1.
- MMu-2. Please see response Form Letter 3-2.
- MMu-3. Please see response Form Letter 3-3.
- MMu-4. EBMUD appreciates the commenter's support for valuing our natural treasures and EBMUD recognizes the importance of the Mokelumne River to the local community. Please see the Master Response on the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. At this stage, there is no certainty regarding the impacts of the potential Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Please see the Master Response on Program-level EIR analysis. Project impacts will be thoroughly evaluated in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning for this component.
- MMu-5. EBMUD recognizes the value of water conservation, recycling and rationing, and has included them as components in the Preferred Portfolio. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040.

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf Of Mike O'Dell  
Sent: Tuesday, April 07, 2009 11:05 AM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Apr 7, 2009

Mr. Thomas Francis  
375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

Dear Mr. Francis,

Please do not enlarge the Pardee and Lower Bear reservoirs drowning a segment of the Mokelumne River.

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Dear Thomas Francis

I do not believe that with the other options available that there is any reason to flood the popular recreation section of the Mokelumne River. We should be focusing more on protecting these areas so we have them in the future. There are not that many recreation areas like this available in California. I hope you seriously reconsider your plan to destroy this area. There needs to be much more thought put into this decisions to destroy are recreational rivers, lakes, and streams.

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I believe that EBMUD can easily meet its future water needs without enlarging the Pardee or Lower Bear Reservoirs. EBMUD's proposed Water Supply Management Plan is significantly overestimating future demand. In addition, the Plan substantially underestimates the amount of water that could be produced by reasonable and achievable increases in water conservation, recycling, groundwater storage, and increased rationing during drought years.

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The Pardee reservoir enlargement will drown a segment of the Mokelumne River recommended by the BLM for wild and scenic river protection. This

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section is also popular for kayaking and fishing. The Pardee enlargement would destroy the recently renovated Middle Bar Bridge and other existing and proposed public access facilities, as well as require the costly relocation of the Hwy 49 bridge.

The Lower Bear reservoir enlargement could alter Mokelumne River flows that have been improved to benefit fish, wildlife, and recreation. These improved flows took years to negotiate as part of PG&E's federal hydroelectric license. EBMUD's proposed reservoir enlargements will thwart the decades of work that have gone into making the Mokelumne a more viable recreation resource that will economically benefit foothill communities.

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Sincerely,  
Mike O'Dell

Please revise the Plan to eliminate the Pardee and Lower Bear Reservoir enlargements. The Plan should focus on increased conservation, recycling, and drought year rationing instead.

Sincerely,

Mr. Mike O'Dell  
912 Merced Ave  
South Lake Tahoe, CA 96150-7937

## Mike O'Dell (MOD)

- MOD-1. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040.
- MOD-2. The alternative development process included an in-depth evaluation of over 50 components and a range of portfolios before the Board selected the Preferred Portfolio. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives.
- EBMUD recognizes the many recreational opportunities provided by the Mokelumne River. Impacts to recreation will be thoroughly examined in the project-level EIR for this component, when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning. The project-level EIR will also identify specific mitigation measures to reduce significant impacts.
- MOD-3. Please see response Form Letter 3-1.
- MOD-4. Please see response Form Letter 3-2.
- MOD-5. Please see response Form Letter 3-3.



COMMENT SHEET

(please hand in or mail back to EBMUD by April 6, 2009)

Name: Maren Sampson

Organization (if any): \_\_\_\_\_

Address (optional): \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: Mountain Ranch

E-mail address: marenart @ @ gmail.com

Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a current EBMUD customer?     Yes     No

The East Bay Municipal Utilities District (EBMUD) is interested in your comments regarding the draft Program Environmental Impact Report for the Water Supply Management Program 2040. Please hand your comments in after the meeting or mail them back to the address below by April 6, 2009 (end of the comment period).

Thank you!

Comments    I have just returned from a trip to Walnut Creek, where there is so much water wasted that people joke about how they water their lawns all winter because they have a free canal, perhaps the Contra Costa.

What about water conservation in the Bay Area? Why should our water be WASTED in a metropolitan area by careless users? Surely more than 10% could be saved, and right away, if people were required to ~~use~~ if they even THOUGHT about it.

How about dual flush toilets? (as in Australia) which save 80% of (of rain gutter water, for instance?)

Why ~~not~~ let the people in the city (Apt about their water like we do?

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## Maren Sampson (MSam)

MSam-1. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's support for water conservation. EBMUD supports increased water conservation and has included a high level of conservation in the WSMP 2040. Conservation Level D was selected for inclusion in the Preferred Portfolio because it establishes an aggressive conservation goal that is greater than the District's current level of investment and it ensures that the District will continue to be a leader in the demand management aspects of future water supply planning. This effort by EBMUD will continue to include education and outreach to encourage conservation.

EBMUD further acknowledges the commenter's support for rationing. As discussed elsewhere, EBMUD selected a level of rationing that is considered to be most feasible, allowing flexibility as necessary during dry years. Please see Response FC3-5. Please also see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives.

From: Mark Seedall [mailto:maseedall@yahoo.com]  
Sent: Monday, April 06, 2009 3:46 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Water Supply Management Program 2040 Draft Program Environmental Impact Report

Dear Mr. Francis,

Can you please send me a CD copy of the Draft Water Supply Management Program for 2040 and any associated environmental reports. It would be helpful if you can let me know where within the Water Supply Management Report there are growth projections, assumptions on future customer usage, and how drought is considered in terms of water supply availability.

As a customer of EBMUD I am very concerned that EBMUD does not have sufficient water to allow for any growth in the future. The current drought and reductions in available water supply from EBMUD in 2008 and 2009 are very limiting based on today's customer base.

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Thanks,

Mark A. Seedall  
5833 Romany Rd  
Oakland, CA 94618



**Mark A. Seedall (MSe)**

MSe-1. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives and the Master Response on the Demand Study for a discussion of demand assumptions and projections. The WSMP 2040 is designed to meet the future Need for Water.

-----Original Message-----

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf Of Mark Sutherland  
Sent: Wednesday, March 18, 2009 8:45 AM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Mar 18, 2009

Mr. Thomas Francis  
375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

Dear Mr. Francis,

Please do not enlarge the Pardee and Lower Bear reservoirs downing a segment of the Mokelumne River.

You cannot solve water shortages by building bigger dams. I believe

that EBMUD can easily meet its future water needs without enlarging the Pardee or Lower Bear Reservoirs. EBMUD's proposed Water Supply Management Plan is significantly overestimating future demand. In addition, the Plan substantially underestimates the amount of water that could be produced by reasonable and achievable increases in water conservation, recycling, groundwater storage, and increased rationing during drought years.

The Pardee reservoir enlargement will drown a segment of the Mokelumne River recommended by the BLM for wild and scenic river protection. This section is also popular for kayaking and fishing. The Pardee enlargement would destroy the recently renovated Middle Bar Bridge and other existing and proposed public access facilities, as well as require the costly relocation of the Hwy 49 bridge.

The Lower Bear reservoir enlargement could alter Mokelumne River flows that have been improved to benefit fish, wildlife, and recreation. These improved flows took years to negotiate as part of PG&E's federal hydroelectric license. EBMUD's proposed reservoir enlargements will thwart the decades of work that have gone into making the Mokelumne a more viable recreation resource that will economically benefit foothill communities.

Please revise the Plan to eliminate the Pardee and Lower Bear Reservoir enlargements. The Plan should focus on increased conservation, recycling, and drought year rationing instead.

Sincerely,

Mr. Mark Sutherland



1168 Willow Glen Way  
San Jose, CA 95125-3349

## Mark Sutherland (MSut)

- MSut-1. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir and Enlarge Lower Bear Reservoir components of the WSMP 2040.
- MSut-2. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to expanded reservoirs and new dams.
- MSut-3. Please see response Form Letter 3-1.
- MSut-4. Please see response Form Letter 3-2.
- MSut-5. Please see response Form Letter 3-3.

From: Mike Vandeman [mailto:mjvande@pacbell.net]  
Sent: Thursday, April 09, 2009 7:04 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: WSMP 2040 Draft Environmental Impact Report

1. I suggest that you find a way to fund waterless or water-conserving toilets for everyone in your service area. How about an "economic stimulus"?! }

2. I suggest that you change the way the water bill is calculated, so that it is proportional to water usage. As it is, there isn't much financial incentive to save water, since only a tiny portion of the bill depends on water usage! }

Mike Vandeman, Ph.D.  
2600 Camino Ramon # 2E9501  
San Ramon, CA 94583-5099

## Mike Vandeman 2 - Responses to Comment Letter #2 - 4/9/09 (MV2)

MV2-1. EBMUD supports increased water conservation and has included a high level of conservation in the WSMP 2040. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives.

Conservation Level D was selected for inclusion in the Preferred Portfolio because it establishes an aggressive conservation goal that is greater than the District's current level of investment and it ensures that the District will continue to be a leader in the demand management aspects of future water supply planning. Conservation Level D includes measures such as rebates for installation of high efficiency (<0.25 gallon) urinals and requirements for installation of high efficiency (0.5 gal/flush) urinals in new buildings. Please see the WSMP 2040 Conservation Program Evaluation (March 19, 2009) for additional detail on the conservation levels evaluated as part of WSMP 2040. This evaluation can be found on the EBMUD website at:

<http://www.ebmud.com/water & environment/water supply/water supply management program/Conservation Memo.pdf>

MV2-2. Please see the responses to SCSFB2-7 and SCSFB2-17 for a discussion of EBMUD's rate pricing structure.

From: plaingood@yahoo.com [mailto:plaingood@yahoo.com]  
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2009 6:25 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Please drop plans to expand Pardee Reservoir

Dear East Bay MUD and local officials: I urge you to drop your plans to build a new Pardee Dam and expand Pardee Reservoir as part of the EBMUD 2040 water plan.

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A new dam will be far too environmentally damaging than the greener plan of keeping the reservoir in its present state.

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\* A new dam will be too expensive for EBMUD ratepayers, provide relatively little new water, and harm miles of the Mokelumne River.

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\* Enlarging Pardee will drown a part of the Mokelumne popular for kayaking and fishing, submerge or require removal of the historic Middle Bar Bridge and river access facilities, inundate cultural resources, require construction of a new Highway 49 bridge, and seasonally inundate nearly a mile of river proposed for National Wild and Scenic River designation by the Bureau of Land Management.

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\* Enlarging Pardee will destroy decades of work and investment by public agencies and local residents to improve recreational use of the Mokelumne River, thwarting local efforts to use the river for economic development.

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\* Creating dead-end roads approaching the river will cut off a critical fire evacuation route for residents of Middle Bar and Gwin Mine roads.

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\* There is no reason to destroy more miles of a popular river used by locals and visitors alike and its fish habitat. You can avoid the environmental, social and economic cost by using your water supplies, including the new American River water supply, more efficiently.

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Please leave these miles of the Mokelumne a river for future generations.

Mark Whitehead Whitehead  
5656 Cox Drive  
Valley Springs, CA 95252

## Mark Whitehead (MWh)

- MWh-1. Please see response Form Letter 2-1.
- MWh-2. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040. Project impacts and alternatives, including a No-Action Alternative will be fully examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component.
- MWh-3. Please see response Form Letter 2-2.
- MWh-4. Please see response Form Letter 2-3.
- MWh-5. Please see response Form Letter 2-4.
- MWh-6. Please see response Form Letter 2-5.
- MWh-7. Please see response Form Letter 2-6.



From: Friends of the River on behalf of Melinda Wright  
Sent: Sat 4/4/2009 7:59 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Apr 4, 2009

Mr. Thomas Francis  
375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

Dear Mr. Francis,

Please do not enlarge the Pardee and Lower Bear reservoirs drowning a segment of the Mokelumne River. EBMUD underestimates the amount of water people can conserve by reasonable water conservation and recycling. Have you noticed that our values are changing? Even Los Angeles has conserved water and therefore has helped save Mono Lake. By overestimating future demand, EBMUD underestimates Californians and underestimates their customers. Please do not waste money and rivers. Expect more from people in the way of long-term thinking and decisions that respect the future. Stop wasting our rivers in order to waste water.

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The Pardee reservoir enlargement would end my ability to drive Highway 49 - already it is horrible to cross New Melones, and now you propose to turn the Mokelumne into another intolerable reservoir? Personally, I can't take this. Please reconsider.

It is time for Americans to stop doing things the easy, wasteful way

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and start being smart about conservation, valuing our natural heritage, and living in a sustainable way. EBMUD can meet future water needs with conservation, groundwater storage, and even rationing in drought years, but EBMUD can never replace a river.

Please revise the Plan to eliminate the Pardee and Lower Bear Reservoir enlargements. The Plan should focus on increased conservation, recycling, and drought year rationing instead.

Sincerely,

Ms. Melinda Wright  
PO Box 225  
Groveland, CA 95321-0225

**Melinda Wright (MWr)**

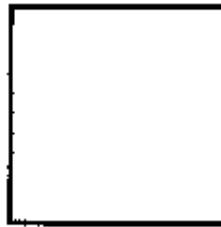
MWr-1. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir and Lower Bear Reservoir components of the WSMP 2040. Please see response Form Letter 1-1.

MWr-2. EBMUD does not plan to eliminate access in the Upcountry region. When and if EBMUD decides to move forward with project-level planning for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component, a project-level EIR will be prepared that will thoroughly examine impacts on cultural resources, including historic structures, and emergency access. The project-level EIR will also identify all feasible mitigation measures to reduce or avoid any impacts, including damaging impacts to Middle Bar Bridge. Please see the Master Responses on Program-level EIR analysis and the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component.

The District acknowledges the commenter's support for water conservation, water recycling and other soft path projects, as well as the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir and Lower Bear Reservoir components. As stated in the Master Response on the WSMP 2040, the District is committed to implementing high levels of water conservation and recycling. Please also see response Form Letter 1-2 and 1-4.

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**Natoma**  
Ceramic Design



squareplates.com  
james@squareplates.com

209 286-1174 p.o. box 230 mokelumne hill, ca 95245

Thomas B. Francis  
East Bay Municipal Utility District  
375 11<sup>th</sup> Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

March 6, 2009

Dear Mr. Francis-

As a resident of the Mokelumne River watershed, I am alarmed and concerned to hear that EBMUD is considering an expansion of the Pardee Reservoir that will flood our vital historic and pristine river. We are neighbors of EBMUD and enjoy the responsibility that comes with living alongside such an important civic institution. I believe the responsibility must work both ways.

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I urge you to oppose the Pardee Reservoir enlargement. Submerging more of the Mokelumne will further increase mankind's assumption that bullying nature into service is ok. It is not ok. We must learn to be stewards of the land, water and air. New and expanded dams are simply too expensive for EBMUD ratepayers, provide relatively little new water, and are too harmful to the environment.

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The Pardee Reservoir enlargement will drown a segment of the Mokelumne River popular for kayaking and fishing, destroy existing and proposed public access facilities (including the Middle Bar Bridge), require the relocation of the Hwy 49 bridge, and seasonally inundate nearly a mile of the Mokelumne proposed for Wild & Scenic River protection by the Bureau of Land Management.

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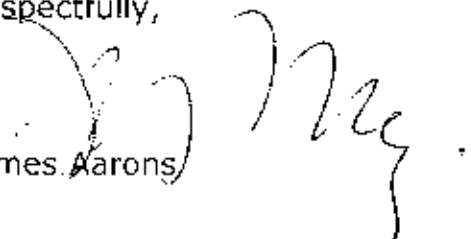
By drowning more of the river, EBMUD will thwart the decades of work that have gone into making the Mokelumne a more viable recreation resource that will economically benefit foothill communities.

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EBMUD should more efficiently use its existing water supplies by increasing water conservation and recycling. When every home and business in your district is following reasonable conservation practices, then come back to the river and ask for more. Until then, I urge you to fashion your downstream water use to fit the constraints of the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

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Respectfully,

  
James Aarons

## Natoma Ceramic (NC)

- NC-1. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040 and recognizes the importance of the Mokelumne River to the local community.
- NC-2. Please see Response Form Letter 2-2.
- NC-3. Please see Response Form Letter 2-3. EBMUD does not plan to eliminate access in the Upcountry region.
- NC-4. Please see Response Form Letter 2-4.
- NC-5. The District acknowledges the commenter's support for water conservation and water recycling. As stated in the Master Response on the WSMP 2040, the District is committed to implementing high levels of water conservation and recycling. Conservation Level D was selected for inclusion in the Preferred Portfolio because it establishes an aggressive conservation goal that is greater than the District's current level of investment and it ensures that the District will continue to be a leader in the demand management aspects of future water supply planning.

From: noahnsal@hotmail.com [mailto:noahnsal@hotmail.com]  
Sent: Friday, March 06, 2009 1:45 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Please drop plans to expand Pardee Reservoir

Dear East Bay MUD and local officials: I urge you to drop your plans to build a new Pardee Dam and expand Pardee Reservoir as part of the EBMUD 2040 water plan.

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This would destroy a vital portion of the best 'beginner' stretches of whitewater in the state! The cost is too high in too many ways (see below). Just to subsidize farmers who still flood irrigate? No way.

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\* A new dam will be too expensive for EBMUD ratepayers, provide relatively little new water, and harm miles of the Mokelumne River.

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\* Enlarging Pardee will drown a part of the Mokelumne popular for kayaking and fishing, submerge or require removal of the historic Middle Bar Bridge and river access facilities, inundate cultural resources, require construction of a new Highway 49 bridge, and seasonally inundate nearly a mile of river proposed for National Wild and Scenic River designation by the Bureau of Land Management.

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\* Enlarging Pardee will destroy decades of work and investment by public agencies and local residents to improve recreational use of the Mokelumne River, thwarting local efforts to use the river for economic development.

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\* Creating dead-end roads approaching the river will cut off a critical fire evacuation route for residents of Middle Bar and Gwin Mine roads.

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\* There is no reason to destroy more miles of a popular river and its fish habitat. You can avoid the environmental, social and economic cost by using your water supplies, including the new American River water supply, more efficiently.

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Please leave these miles of the Mokelumne a river for future generations.

Noah Hughes  
20192 Gibbs Dr.  
Sonora, CA 95370

## Noah Hughes (NH)

NH-1. Please see response Form Letter 2-1.

NH-2. At this stage, there is no certainty regarding the impacts of the potential Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Impacts to recreation will be thoroughly examined in the project-level EIR for this component, when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning. The project-level EIR will also identify specific mitigation measures to reduce significant impacts.

As stated in the Master Response on the WSMP 2040, EBMUD will pursue multiple supplemental supply components simultaneously, with the most cost effective and efficient projects being pursued first. The District would seek to involve partner agencies to share costs and to provide regional benefits in terms of yield.

NH-3. Please see response Form Letter 2-2.

NH-4. Please see response Form Letter 2-3.

NH-5. Please see response Form Letter 2-4.

NH-6. Please see response Form Letter 2-5.

NH-7. Please see response Form Letter 2-6.

From: serjicalstrike911@hotmail.com [mailto:serjicalstrike911@hotmail.com]  
Sent: Tue 3/31/2009 12:16 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Please drop plans to expand Pardee Reservoir

Dear East Bay MUD and local officials: I urge you to drop your plans to build a new Pardee Dam and expand Pardee Reservoir as part of the EBMUD 2040 water plan.

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\* Creating dead-end roads approaching the river will cut off a critical fire evacuation route for residents of Middle Bar and Gwin Mine roads, which could be hazardous in case of fires in the summer and storms in the winter.

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\* There is no reason to destroy more miles of a popular river used by locals and visitors alike and its fish habitat. You can avoid the environmental, social and economic cost by using your water supplies, including the new American River water supply, more efficiently. Support the use of gray water for lawns and encourage water conservation instead of encouraging the dependence of a water source miles from where it is used and the destruction of habitats.

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PLEASE!! Leave these miles of the Mokelumne river for future generations and for the people and nature that currently depend on it the way it stands today.

Ni ck Johnson  
5951 Crose l Ct.  
Val eey Spri ngs, CA 95252



**Nick Johnson (NJ)**

- NJ-1. Please see response Form Letter 2-1.
- NJ-2. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040. Project impacts will be fully examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Please also see response Form Letter 2-2.
- NJ-3. Please see response Form Letter 2-3.
- NJ-4. Please see response Form Letter 2-4.
- NJ-5. Please see response Form Letter 2-5.
- NJ-6. EBMUD supports increased water conservation and has included a high level of conservation in the WSMP 2040. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives. Please also see response Form Letter 2-6.

From: nanellemcc@yahoo.com [mailto:nanellemcc@yahoo.com]  
Sent: Sat 3/14/2009 3:03 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Protect the Mokelumne River PLEASE!

March 14, 2009

Thomas B. Francis

EBMUD Water Supply Improvements Division

375 11th Street MS 407

Oakland, CA 94607

Dear Mr. Francis:

I oppose the Pardee Reservoir enlargement proposed in EBMUD's Water Supply Management Plan and Programmatic Environmental Impact Report.

Building new and raising existing dams are simply too expensive for EBMUD ratepayers. These dam options provide relatively little water and will be harmful to the river. My extended family lives in Calaveras County and frequently visits the Middle Bar River area for kayaking and fishing. Our extended family includes 8 grandchildren ranging in age from 12 to 25. I firmly believe that it is my responsibility to advocate for the preservation of areas such as this for them and their children.

The Pardee Reservoir enlargement will drown a segment of the Mokelumne River popular for kayaking and fishing, destroy existing and proposed public access facilities (including the Middle Bar Bridge), require the relocation of the Hwy 49 bridge, and seasonally inundate nearly a mile of the Mokelumne proposed for Wild & Scenic River protection by the Bureau of Land Management.

EBMUD should more efficiently use its existing water supplies by increasing water conservation and recycling.

Please inform me of any future decisions EBMUD may make concerning the plan and the proposed Pardee Reservoir enlargement.

Thank you.

Sincerely:

Nancy Ellen McCracken

2466 Indian Rock Road

P. O. Box 4254

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**Nancy Ellen McCracken (NM)**

- NM-1. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040.
- NM-2. Please see response Form Letter 2-2.
- NM-3. EBMUD recognizes the many recreational opportunities provided by the Mokelumne River, and its importance to the local community.
- NM-4. Please see response Form Letter 2-3.
- NM-5. The District acknowledges the commenter's support for water conservation and water recycling. As stated in the Master Response on the WSMP 2040, the District is committed to implementing high levels of water conservation and recycling.
- NM-6. EBMUD has added the commenter's name and contact information to its mailing list and will keep the commenter informed of developments related to the WSMP 2040 and PEIR.



Thomas B. Francis  
EBMUD Water Supply Improvements Division  
375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

May 1, 2009

Dear Mr. Francis and EBMUD officials:

My wife and I chose to establish our company, O.A.R.S. (Outdoor Adventure River Specialists), and raise our family in northern California - near the Stanislaus and Mokelumne rivers. Through the early 1980s, the Stanislaus River became the lifeblood of our organization and community. However, as our business, family and network of friends continued to grow, we lost that spectacular canyon to a dam project, and we had to look elsewhere to develop our business.

We remain in Angels Camp, having raised our two sons and maintain our office operations here.

Our organization is committed to being a leader in the field of sustainable travel. Our goal isn't simply to be one of the most environmentally responsible tour operators in the world, but to continually raise the bar and challenge other companies to raise their standards as well.

In the 40 years since O.A.R.S.' inception, we've contributed, along with our guests, close to \$3 million dollars for the protection and preservation of the places and communities we visit. Our Angels Camp headquarters and other operations warehouses, run on solar power, and we voluntarily offset all carbon emissions from our domestic adventures. Conservation is the foundation of our company and the lifeblood of our future.

Although we do not presently have permits to run commercial trips on the Mokelumne, we do provide fundraising trips there for a wonderful organization, Calaveras Youth Mentoring Program, that connects local youth with safe, positive adult role models.

We believe that enlarging Pardee Dam will negatively impact our close-knit community. The project will drown a part of the Mokelumne popular for kayaking, fishing, swimming, picnicking, hiking, wildlife viewing and family outings.

I encourage you to drop your plans to build a new Pardee Dam and expand Pardee Reservoir as part of the EBMUD 2040 water plan. This new dam will be an expensive proposition for EBMUD ratepayers, provide relatively little new water, and harm miles of the extremely scenic Mokelumne River.

Enlarging Pardee will destroy decades of work and investment by public agencies and local residents to improve recreational use of the Mokelumne River, thwarting local efforts to use the river for economic development. I believe it is possible to avoid the environmental, social and economic cost by using your water supplies, including the new American River water supply, more efficiently.

Please leave these miles of the Mokelumne a river for future generations.

Respectfully,

George Wendt  
President and Founder, O.A.R.S.



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**Outdoor Adventure River Specialists 1 - Responses to Comment Letter #1 - 5/1/09  
(OARS1)**

- OARS1-1. EBMUD recognizes the many recreational opportunities provided by the Mokelumne River and its importance to the local community. Please see responses CYMP-1 and CYMP-2.
- OARS1-2. At this stage, there is no certainty regarding the impacts of the potential Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Please see response Form Letter 2-3.
- OARS1-3. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040. Please see response Form Letter 2-2.
- OARS1-4. Please see response Form Letter 2-4.
- OARS1-5. Please see response Form Letter 2-6.

From: George Wendt [mailto:george@oars.com]  
Sent: Monday, May 04, 2009 8:31 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Comments regarding WSMP 2040 Draft Program Environmental Report

Mr. Thomas B. Francis  
EBMUD

Dear Mr. Francis:

Attached is a letter from O.A.R.S. voicing our concern about the WSMP 2040 Draft Program Environmental Impact Report prepared by EBMUD. We would like to record our opposition to any serious consideration about raising the level of Pardee Reservoir. We believe that this would be very costly in terms of dollars, unnecessary for a number of reasons, and totally unacceptable from an environmental perspective.

We hope that you will "go back to the drawing board" and more thoroughly explore the many alternatives that are not adequately dealt with in your Draft Program Environmental Impact Report.

Please let us know if we can supply you with any additional information.

Sincerely,

**George Wendt**  
**The O.A.R.S. Family of Companies**  
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May 4, 2009

## The O.A.R.S. Family of Companies

Mr. Thomas B. Francis  
EBMUD Water Supply Improvements Division  
375 11<sup>th</sup> Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

Dear Mr. Francis:

We would like to express our concerns about the WSMP 2040 Draft Program Environmental Impact Report prepared by EBMUD. Please accept this letter as a record of our opposition to any serious consideration being given to the idea of raising the level of Pardee Reservoir. We believe that this would be very costly in terms of economic costs, unnecessary for a number of reasons – the most important of which is conservation, and totally unacceptable from an environmental perspective.

We hope that you will “go back to the drawing board” and more thoroughly explore the many alternatives that are not adequately dealt with in your Draft Program Environmental Impact Report. Alternatives that should be better considered include the following and you should also adequately take into account the negative impact caused by expanding the height of Pardee Reservoir:

- 1) Working to quantify the amount of sediment that has accumulated in your existing reservoirs – and then working to remove this sedimentation during periods of drought or seasonal reservoir draw downs. Most likely a significant percentage of the Bear River Reservoir has been taken up by sedimentation but even Pardee Reservoir has also, undoubtedly, seen its capacity reduced by the amount of silt and sand that has washed into it.
- 2) Working with Amador and Calaveras Counties to assist them with the management of their watersheds – to thin the forests so that they won’t be as susceptible to catastrophic wildfires – which, when they occur, lead to significant erosion and the resulting silting in of your existing reservoirs.
- 3) Better documentation and consideration for the amount of water that can be saved through conservation. In today’s world, we can’t continue to consume aggressively and ever more without considering the costs. Sonoma Valley proved last year that voluntary water conservation can save a large percentage of the water that people may needlessly be using. I believe that they achieved conservation of our 15% last year. Los Angeles has grown significantly over the last 20 – 30 years but their water usage has actually gone down. David Carle, the author of Water In California, has documented in his book (page 115) Los Angeles’ ability to grow by 30% while decreasing water usage by 7%. I believe that your Draft PEIR is inadequate because it fails to document conservation success studies such as these. Whether it is politically popular or not, the EBMUD Board of Directors needs to outline water pricing models that will generate a 15% or more reduction in water usage all the time. Simplistically, a

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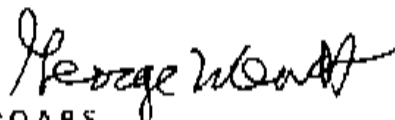
very easy way to reduce water consumption is to educate people – starting with our young people – that they need to shut the water off while doing simple things such as brushing their teeth, taking shorter showers, etc. You should be educating your customers and then provide encouragement for them to “do the right thing” through water pricing formulas that reward good behavior. Education is the key!

- 4) Reservoir storage wastes water through evaporation. If you increase the size of a reservoir like Pardee in the hot central part of California, there would be significant water losses due to evaporation. This negative impact of raising the reservoir level needs to be quantified.
- 5) Raising the level of Pardee Reservoir would cause an unsightly “bathtub ring” when the reservoir is drawn down in the area around the Highway 49 Bridge. This imposes a significant cost on the residents of Amador and Calaveras County. Once the area is impacted by an increased water level in a reservoir, the trees and vegetation die. For our lifetimes and that of our children, this destruction is permanent.
- 6) Currently, there is a beautiful Class II kayak – rafting section of river from the Electra Powerhouse to the Middle Bar Bridge. This section of river is a priceless resource for all of California – including the residents of Alameda and Contra Costa Counties. Our local counties will suffer economically if this river is not utilized for commercial rafting trips in the future. Our company is very interested in providing this service and we would be harmed economically if the level of Pardee Reservoir was to be raised.
- 7) Your Draft PIER needs to do a much better job of analyzing projected increases in EBMUD area population and projected water demand over the next 35+ years.
- 8) I understand that a study of the costs for a desalination plant is to be completed soon. The results of this study should be incorporated into your Draft PIER.
- 9) More analysis should be done regarding the possibility of ground water recharging – which then provides a storage of water that can be drawn upon during periods of drought.
- 10) More consideration should be given to drawing on water transfers from other areas of Northern California.
- 11) The Native American Miwok Indians attach great cultural significance to the area around the Middle Bar Bridge. This impact cannot be ignored.
- 12) Residents of the Middle Bar Road area need to have their fire safety better considered. If the Middle Bar Bridge is flooded, they lose their “back door” escape route in the event of catastrophic fire.

We will look forward to commenting further regarding your plans to impact Amador and Calaveras Counties in the future. We urge you to put forth other proposals that remove any consideration of what, we believe, is a short-sighted “old school” thought process of building more and more.

We appreciate this opportunity to share our input with the FBMUD Board of Directors and urge them to “look elsewhere” for the water that they believe they need.

Sincerely yours,



George R. Wendt for O.A.R.S.

## Outdoor Adventure River Specialists 2 - Responses to Comment Letter #2 - 5/4/09 (OARS2)

- OARS2-1. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040.
- OARS2-2. At this stage, there is no certainty regarding the impacts of the potential Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Please see response Form Letter 2-2.
- OARS2-3. The alternative development process included an in-depth evaluation of over 50 components and a range of portfolios before the Board selected the Preferred Portfolio. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives. Please see the Master Response on Program-level EIR analysis. Project impacts will be thoroughly evaluated in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component.
- OARS2-4. Please see response OARS2-1, above.
- OARS2-5. Please see response OARS2-2, above. EBMUD supports increased water conservation and has included a high level of conservation in the WSMP 2040. Conservation Level D was selected for inclusion in the Preferred Portfolio because it establishes an aggressive conservation goal that is greater than the District's current level of investment and it ensures that the District will continue to be a leader in the demand management aspects of future water supply planning. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives.
- OARS2-6. Please see response OARS2-3, above.
- OARS2-7. Please see the Master Response on Program-level EIR analysis. More detailed studies and analyses will be conducted in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component.
- OARS2-8. EMBUD agrees with the commenter that the District and Upcountry counties and water agencies should work together to develop water supply solutions with regional benefits. The WSMP 2040 Preferred Portfolio recognizes the combination of groundwater storage in San Joaquin County, the Enlarge Lower Bear Reservoir and Enlarge Pardee Reservoir components as a Regional Upcountry Project that in its future evaluation and development will seek to address regional interests through a regional partnership.
- OARS2-9. EBMUD supports increased water conservation and has included a high level of conservation in the WSMP 2040. Conservation Level D was selected for inclusion in the Preferred Portfolio because it establishes an aggressive conservation goal that is greater than the District's current level of investment and it ensures that the District will continue to be a leader in the demand management aspects of future water supply planning.
- OARS2-10. Please see responses SCSFB2-7 and SCSFB2-17 for a discussion of EBMUD's rate pricing structure.

- OARS2-11. Please see response OARS2-9, above. Project impacts on visual, biological and other resources will be thoroughly evaluated in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component.
- OARS2-12. EBMUD recognizes the many recreational opportunities provided by the Mokelumne River. At this stage, there is no certainty regarding the impacts of the potential Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Impacts to recreation resources will be thoroughly evaluated in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with this component. Please see response FC3-46 for a discussion of the Electra Run.
- OARS2-13. Please see the Master Response on the Demand Study for a discussion of demand assumptions and projections.
- OARS2-14. In implementing the WSMP 2040, EBMUD will pursue multiple supplemental supply components simultaneously, with the most cost effective and efficient projects being pursued first. Please see the Master Responses on the WSMP 2040 and Program-level EIR analysis.
- OARS2-15. EBMUD supports groundwater banking and has included three such components in the WSMP 2040: Bayside Groundwater Project Phase 2, Sacramento Basin Groundwater Banking / Exchange, and IRCUP / San Joaquin Groundwater Banking / Exchange. EBMUD further supports water transfers and has included the Northern California Water Transfers as a component in the WSMP 2040. These components will be further evaluated when and if EBMUD moves forward with project-level planning. Please see the Master Responses on the WSMP 2040 and Program-level EIR analysis.
- OARS2-16. EBMUD recognizes the importance of the Mokelumne River to the Me-wuk people and their cultural practices. EBMUD will consult with the Me-wuk and will conduct a thorough evaluation of cultural resources impacts, including impacts on current cultural practices and any sacred sites, in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Please see response FC3-54.
- OARS2-17. EBMUD does not plan to eliminate access in the Upcountry region. When and if EBMUD decides to move forward with project-level planning for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component, a project-level EIR will be prepared that will thoroughly examine impacts on emergency access. Please see the Master Responses on Program-level EIR analysis and the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component.
- OARS2-18. The District acknowledges the commenter's support for soft path projects. The alternative development process included an in-depth evaluation of over 50 components and a range of portfolios before the Board selected the Preferred Portfolio. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives.

From: Friends of the River on behalf of Patrick Carr  
Sent: Fri 3/20/2009 6:50 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Mar 20, 2009

Mr. Thomas Francis  
375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

Dear Mr. Francis,

Please do not enlarge the Pardee and Lower Bear reservoirs drowning a segment of the Mokelumne River. The Mokelumne River already works hard for EBMUD, and what's still free-flowing should remain so.

The Pardee reservoir enlargement will drown a segment of the Mokelumne River recommended by the BLM for wild and scenic river protection. This section is also popular for kayaking and fishing. The Pardee enlargement would destroy the recently renovated Middle Bar Bridge and other existing and proposed public access facilities, as well as require the costly relocation of the Hwy 49 bridge.

The Lower Bear reservoir enlargement could alter Mokelumne River flows that have been improved to benefit fish, wildlife, and recreation. These improved flows took years to negotiate as part of PG&E's federal hydroelectric license. EBMUD's proposed reservoir enlargements will thwart the decades of work that have gone into making the Mokelumne a more viable recreation resource that will economically benefit foothill communities.

Please revise the Plan to eliminate the Pardee and Lower Bear Reservoir enlargements. The Plan should focus on increased conservation, recycling, and drought year rationing instead.

Sincerely,

Mr. Patrick Carr  
1704 Virginia Way  
Arcata, CA 95521-6862

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## Patrick Carr (PCarr)

- PCarr-1. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir and Enlarge Lower Bear Reservoir components of the WSMP 2040.
- PCarr-2. EBMUD recognizes the importance of the Mokelumne River to the local community. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to expanded reservoirs, and specifically to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. At this stage, there is no certainty regarding the impacts of the potential Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component.
- PCarr-3. Please see response Form Letter 3-2.
- PCarr-4. Please see response Form Letter 3-3.

From: donkeyacres@centralhouse.net [mailto:donkeyacres@centralhouse.net]  
Sent: Fri 3/20/2009 9:20 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: proposed mokelumne project

Dear Mr. Francis,

My name is Peter B. Hansell, I am a third generation Californian.

I was born in December 1951, in Oroville, Butte county, California.

Therefore I had a "ring side seat", at the biggest "Urban Water Theft", from rural residents, in the history of the United States of

America. Yes I am talking about Edmund G. Brown's, "California Water Project", (Big Oroville Dam, completed 1968) This project was supposedly built for the "Greater Good", of the population of California. (actually benefited Southern Pacific corporate farms, down the west side of the Sanjoaquin Valley; and the population of the Las Angeles basin, who had already burned through the water they had stolen from the Owens river) (Mulholands agents really did sneak around the Owens valley, pretending to be ranchers, buying land & water rights)(and water stolen from the Colorado river).

I witnessed thousands of acres, inundated. Consequentially, I also saw thousands of people forced off of their land. Two of these people were my grand parents: John B. Hansell & Grace Hansell, who owned and operated Hansell's Motor Lodge, on Hwy 70 at Hansell's bridge (spanning the middle fork of the feather river, completed in 1932)(a twin of the Bixbey Creek bridge south of Big Sur) Their business wasn't inundated, it was buried under the down stream toe, of the actual dam.

I am also aware of the city of San Francisco's arrogant and selfish acquisition, of the Hetch Hetchy, and damming, of the same.

EBMUD, s vicious, and pointless, fight about the Middle Bar public access, ten years ago, demonstrates to me that EBMUD has no regard, nor respect, for the people of Amador, and Calaveras county. Your only apparent interest here, is to take (steal?) as much as you can for your customers.

Mr. Francis you have taken enough. If you have too many customers, restrict growth. If you insist on unrestricted growth, look to the Bay(de-salination)

These hills are dry enough. The river run down stream from Electra is holy. It is a beautiful run of river, and should be left as is.

The Parde dam is eighty two years old. EBMUD cant prove with any certainty, that it is structurally sound. The aggregate is exposed on the face of the dam, from eighty two years of rain water erosion. The eighty



two year old rebar is likely corroding away. The geological survey's of the north and south anchorages, are eighty two (plus?) years old. EBMUD can't possibly be considering increasing the pond size (and therefore the stress) on that old dam. (Teton dam was new, in the 1970's when it collapsed [Idaho] )

I would not want to live down stream (Clements, Lockford, Lodi ) from this proposed, engineering amalgamation.

EBMUD would better spend the money, they are going to spend defending all the law suits, on mineing the Bay for water.

Thankyou

Peter B. Hansel I

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## Peter B. Hansell (PH)

- PH-1. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to expanded reservoirs and new dams, and specifically to the construction of Oroville Dam in 1968.
- PH-2. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to expanded reservoirs and new dams. The City of San Francisco is supplied with water provided by the San Francisco Public Utilities District (SFPUC); East Bay Municipal Utility District (EBMUD) supplies water to the East Bay of the San Francisco Bay Area which includes parts of Alameda and Contra Costa counties.
- PH-3. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040. Please see the Master Response on the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. At this stage, there is no certainty regarding the impacts of the potential Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Impacts to the local community will be thoroughly evaluated in a project-level EIR if and when the District decides to move forward with project-level planning for this component.
- PH-4. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's support for imposing restrictions on growth within the EBMUD Service Area and for using desalinization as a source of water to accommodate growth if it occurs. Please see the Master Response on the Demand Study for a discussion of demand assumptions and projections. EBMUD conducted a comprehensive study of water demand through 2040 that relied on adopted general plans and consultations with planning staff in jurisdictions served by EBMUD to determine growth projections. Future planned land uses reflect the most current general plan land uses provided by the planning agencies. Meetings were held with most of the city and county planning agencies to confirm existing land uses, confirm general plan land use designations for future development, identify redevelopment areas, and identify phasing of future development in five year increments to 2030 plus 2040. While the Preferred Portfolio would increase EBMUD's water supply, it is not intended to support unplanned growth, as described in Impact 7-1 in the Draft PEIR (page 7-5 to 7-6). The incremental increase in surface storage created by the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component would only be used during dry years and would not increase the average annual supply.
- PH-5. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040. EBMUD agrees with the commenter that the Mokelumne River is a valuable resource and EBMUD recognizes the importance of the Mokelumne River to the local community.
- PH-6. The Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component would include construction of a replacement dam about 0.75 miles downstream of the existing dam and saddle dams. Flooding hazards and geologic/seismic impacts associated with Pardee Dam will be fully examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component.
- PH-7. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's preference for desalinization of Bay water as opposed to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component.



From: Patricia Pereira [mailto:patricia95226@caltel.com]  
Sent: Monday, May 04, 2009 4:21 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Re Water Supply Management Program 2040

Thomas B. Francis, PE  
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May 4, 2009

Response by e-mail

Dear Mr. Francis:

Re Water Supply Management Program  
2040

I have property down river from the proposed Pardee expansion.  
Your maps need an overlay so that the property owners can tell where their land is in relationship to your proposed project.

I am assuming that my property will not have any impacts from your project as I have not been informed there will be.

However, I am responding as if there were in the event someone

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has been negligent in full disclosure.  
Attending EBMUD public meetings has been sporadic  
because  
as neighbors we have not been notified of this project.

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I understand the State of California is in a water crisis.  
I understand  
how this would effect any water district's need to look  
to the future  
for future water expansion. However, there comes a  
point when  
the Mokelumne River and the Watershed is at a point  
of rape.

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We furnish water to how many agencies?  
And that's not enough you want more?  
Should Calaveras County sacrifice all that we have  
left and  
hold dear on the Mokelumne River so EBMUD can  
sell more water?

I would not support inundation of the historic middle  
bar bridge  
and the Middle Bar reach of the Mokelumne River, the  
cultural resources  
of the Miwok people and the flooding of Electra Run.  
Or the closure of  
the road between Jackson and Paloma through Gwen  
Mine.

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The Mokelumne River should be preserved as a Wild  
and Scenic River  
out of respect for the very life the river gives to others.

I'm also concerned about the effects of the Pardee Expansion below the Pardee Dam. They are as follows and not in order of concern:

1. BLM land- Public Land, and the existing Coast to Crest Trail through that public land. I would not support the taking of the public land for EBMUD purposes. I would support the continued retention of the public land for day time uses by the public.

2. The map designating the Pardee Expansion is vague below the proposed Dam site. A more specific map & overlay would improve understanding of the exact location in relationship to private lands and roads & how they are effected. We are asked to make a response to unknown boundaries and unknown properties that may be effected.

3. "If" the Pardee Expansion becomes a reality. The realignment of the road needs to be addressed. Over the Dam to Valley Springs.

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I would not support the realignment of traffic through Campo Seco.

It would be an invasion of privacy, noise, dust & traffic congestion.

And would degrade the historical significance that makes

Campo Seco unique.

4. Eagles follow the migrations of waterfowl to Pardee and Camanche

Reservoirs. The lakes offer a good food source and little human

contact. They nest & feed on the Mokelumne River below Pardee

Dam. What steps have you taken to preserve the bald eagle

habitat in that location should the Pardee Expansion proceed?

5. All property owners above and below the proposed Pardee

Dam Expansion project site that would be either in or near the

project are stake holders. Their lands may be in jeopardy and

these land owners should have the common courtesy of a

full disclosure by EBMUD.

IF EBMUD has no idea who these land owners are then they have

wasted paying allot of their technical people to survey & identify lands needed in their proposed expansion. Every inch of ground has been analyzed for this project. Full Disclosure, please!

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6. EBMUD policy on eminent domain should be disclosed.

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I appreciate, the opportunity to respond regarding my concerns and want to thank EBMUD for the 30 day extension to respond.

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Sincerely,

Patricia Pereira

## Patricia Pereira (PP)

- PP-1. Please see the Master Response on the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Project impacts and additional project detail will be fully examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. The project-level EIR will also identify specific mitigation measures to reduce significant impacts.
- PP-2. EBMUD conducted extensive outreach as part of the development of the WSMP 2040. In addition to the Draft PEIR public review meeting held on March 16, 2009, in Amador County, EBMUD held four other public meetings, two of which were held within counties near Amador County (Calaveras County and San Joaquin County). The purpose of the public meetings was to receive comments from the public regarding EBMUD's WSMP 2040 effort as detailed in the environmental document. All comments received at the meetings were recorded by EBMUD staff, and EBMUD has responded to these comments as part of the Final PEIR.

Beyond the five public meetings noted above, EBMUD staff gave presentations on WSMP 2040 during a City of Plymouth City Council meeting (March 30, 2009), and staff were present during the March 2009 meeting of the Amador County Board of Supervisors (on April 16, 2009) as well as the meeting of the Amador Water Agency (on April 23, 2009). In addition, during this same period, EBMUD staff participated in several interviews with local media (the Amador Ledger Dispatch, the Calaveras Enterprises, as well as the local Jackson, CA television station, in an attempt to further address local questions.

Notice of the availability of the Draft PEIR was published in the Amador Ledger Dispatch as well as in the Sacramento Bee, the Stockton Record, the Contra Costa Times and the Oakland Tribune. Notice was also posted on EBMUD's website. Impacts will be thoroughly examined in the project-level EIR for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component, when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning. Notice of the public scoping period as well as the public review period for the project-level EIR will be provided in accordance with CEQA requirements.

EBMUD has added the commenter's name and contact information to its mailing list and will keep the commenter informed of developments related to the WSMP 2040 and PEIR.

- PP-3. The alternative development process included an in-depth evaluation of over 50 components and a range of portfolios before the Board selected the Preferred Portfolio. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives.
- PP-4. Please see Response Form Letter 3-2.
- PP-5. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Please see the Master Responses on Program-level EIR analysis and the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. As part of the development of a project that would potentially inundate additional areas,

EBMUD would discuss potential access issues with private landowners and seek to mitigate any impacts. Impacts to properties along the river will be fully examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning for this component.

- PP-6. At this stage, there is no certainty regarding the impacts of the potential Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Project impacts will be fully examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. As part of project-level planning, EBMUD will examine options for siting of a new dam.
- PP-7. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to various aspects of the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component including opposition to realignment of traffic through Campo Seco and concern regarding preservation of migrating waterfowl and bald eagle habitat. EBMUD also acknowledges the commenter's request for more detailed maps of the proposed project. Impacts as well as options for siting of a new dam will be fully examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component.
- PP-8. Please see Response PP-2.
- PP-9. Although EBMUD has the authority to exercise the right of eminent domain (condemnation), EBMUD has a policy of seeking to acquire property from willing sellers. EBMUD therefore employs this power as a last resort when necessary to support its overall water supply and distribution mission.
- PP-10. EBMUD notes the commenter's appreciation of the review period extension until May 4, 2009.

-----Original Message-----

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf Of Paul Tebbel  
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2009 5:52 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Mar 31, 2009

Mr. Thomas Francis  
375 11th Street MS 407  
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Dear Mr. Francis,

Please do not enlarge the Pardee and Lower Bear reservoirs drowning a segment of the Mokelumne River.

The Lower Bear reservoir enlargement could alter Mokelumne River flows that have been improved to benefit fish, wildlife, and recreation. These improved flows took years to negotiate as part of PG&E's federal hydroelectric license. EBMUD's proposed reservoir enlargements will thwart the decades of work that have gone into making the Mokelumne a more viable recreation resource that will economically benefit foothill communities.

Do your best to improve user efficiency first before you take more of our river and turn it into a sterile reservoir.  
Thank you.

Please revise the Plan to eliminate the Pardee and Lower Bear Reservoir enlargements. The Plan should focus on increased conservation, recycling, and drought year rationing instead.

Sincerely,

Mr. Paul Tebbel  
3521 V St  
Sacramento, CA 95817-1338

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**Paul Tebbel (PT)**

PT-1. Please see response Form Letter 1-1.

PT-2. Please see response Form Letter 1-3.

PT-3. EBMUD supports increased water conservation and has included a high level of conservation as well as rationing in dry years in the WSMP 2040. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives. Please also see response Form Letter 1-4.

From: Gary and Rebecca [mailto:garreb@volcano.net]  
Sent: Monday, May 04, 2009 1:56 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Draft PEIR and Water Plan 2040  
Importance: High

Dear Mr. Francis,  
Please find attached my comments to the draft PEIR and the water plan. Please let me know if you have problems opening the document so I may resend. I appreciate the extension for submission.

Sincerely,  
Rebecca Brown  
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Pioneer, CA  
209-295-5589  
[garreb@volcano.net](mailto:garreb@volcano.net)

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**Rebecca Brown**  
**Amador County, Unincorporated resident**  
[garreb@volcano.net](mailto:garreb@volcano.net)  
**209-295-5589**

COMMENTS TO EAST BAY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT (EBMUD) REGARDING  
THE WATER SUPPLY MANAGEMENT PROGRAM 2040 AND THE DRAFT PEIR.

1. The portfolio of proposals and the PEIR for the 2040 water plan is in opposition to EBMUD’s mission statement. In the 2005 Water Plan, EBMUD states that:

“... It has a commitment to environmental protection which begins with our mission statement and continues through our varied programs and services.”

The EBMUD Mission Statement says,

“....To manage the natural resources with which the District is entrusted; to provide reliable, high quality water and wastewater services at fair and reasonable rates for the people of the East Bay; and to preserve and protect the environment for future generations.”

The Water Plan 2040 and the draft PEIR beg the questions, “Where is the commitment to environmental protection? What environments are you preserving and protecting and for whose future generations?” Based on the proposals, certainly not those of Amador and Calaveras Counties.

2. The portfolio of proposals and the PEIR for the 2040 water plan is in opposition to the California Water Code, Division 6, Part 2.6, Urban Water Management Planning, Chapter 1.

“Legislation 10610.4 states the policies of the state regarding management of urban water demands and efficient use of water will be actively pursued; that efficient use of urban water supplies shall be a guiding criterion in public decisions; and water suppliers shall be required to develop water management plans to actively pursue the efficient use of available supplies.”

3. The portfolio of proposals and the PEIR for the 2040 water plan is not in accordance with the definition of “efficient use” in Chapter 2, given to mean:

“...those management measures that result in the most effective use of water so as to prevent its waste or unreasonable use or unreasonable method of use.”

4. The portfolio of proposals and the PEIR for the 2040 water plan is in opposition to the California Water Code that requires plans to:

“...describe opportunities for development of desalinated water as a long term supply.”

The code also requires that plans shall also provide information on recycled water and its potential as a water source in service area of urban water supplier and that it shall be coordinated with local water, wastewater, groundwater....

Based on the California Water Code, I believe that EBMUD has not fulfilled the requirements to the fullest extent possible. I believe that the portfolios need to conduct an analysis of indirect (or direct) potable reuse and conduct a thorough analysis of the **full** costs of indirect (or direct) potable reuse in comparison to the costs of raising Pardee and Bear reservoirs and raising the Pardee dam. In addition, EBMUD should also conduct a thorough analysis of the **full** costs of the implementation of desalination in comparison to raising reservoirs and building dams. Desalination must be part of the selected portfolio for Water Plan 2040.

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5. The Planning and Conservation League's (PLC) "Investment Strategy for California Water" states that:

"The first priority recommendations - conservation, recycling and groundwater treatment – all meet the criteria as "no regrets actions" (strategies that make sense whatever the impacts of global climate change.)"

William Maddaus sent to Richard Harris, EBMUD a document from Maddaus Water Management, titled "Conservation Management Analysis" regarding "Conservation Program Evaluation, Summary of Data Inputs, Assumptions and Results" (March 19, 2009). Mr. Maddaus states that:

"More than 75% of the new potable water needed by EBMUD to accommodate planned growth could be met through aggressive conservation and planned recycled water projects."

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EBMUD needs to establish the "aggressive conservation" measures recommended, including those that would be *required* (as opposed to voluntary); design rationing levels during droughts so that users who were already meeting high conservation levels have a different level of required rationing than customers with high levels of use and minimal conservation; use tiered water rates as a demand management tool; reward conservation and make water-wasters pay more during "normal" years; implement rainwater collection programs; increase your watershed restoration projects; promote the passage of ordinances and municipal codes that will embed water conservation as part of governmental policy so that, among other activities, construction, remodeling and landscaping will be more efficient and water wise.

6. EBMUD must increase the percentage allocated for recycling and use of gray water.

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7. EBMUD already established the Freeport Regional Water Project as a means to meet requirements during droughts. Precise explanations need to be made public as to why that project is no longer sufficient to meet those needs and why changing the Mokelumne River, Pardee Dam, Pardee and Bear Reservoirs is needed in addition to Freeport. EBMUD also needs to provide a detailed explanation that goes beyond "lack of political will" as to why Los Vaqueros and Buckhorn Reservoirs can not be used instead of the proposed option of Mokelumne River, Pardee Dam, Pardee and Bear Reservoirs being used. The customers of EBMUD need to know the real cost of avoiding Los Vaqueros and Buckhorn in exchange for the Pardee and Bear project proposals.

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8. Mitigation is defined as reducing the significance of adverse effects. The reality is, changing the Mokelumne River, raising Pardee Dam and expanding Pardee and Bear Reservoirs have irreversible and incalculable consequences for which there can be no reduction in the significance of losses. What EBMUD considers “mitigation” is minimally described in your PEIR and in reality is a useless means of justification for proceeding with your plans.

9. The Office of Environmental Justice defines Environmental Justice (EJ) as follows:

*"Environmental Justice is the fair treatment and meaningful involvement of all people regardless of race, color, national origin, or income with respect to the development, implementation, and enforcement of environmental laws, regulations, and policies. EPA has this goal for all communities and persons across this Nation. It will be achieved when everyone enjoys the same degree of protection from environmental and health hazards and equal access to the decision-making process to have a healthy environment in which to live, learn, and work."*

EBMUD has not practiced EJ in the entire process of its Water Plan 2040. EJ has been dismissed not only in the procedural methods of developing the water plans, but also in the selected portfolio of plans, and in the PEIR for the Water Plan 2040.

EBMUD gives the impression that the irreplaceable destruction of natural, historical, and cultural resources, local economics, personal property, Native American uses, county, state and federal properties in the Pardee and Bear Reservoir project areas are insignificant in comparison to your goal to provide water to your customers during drought years.

EBMUD leads many of us to believe that it thinks residents and businesses in the project areas should be expected to carry the irreversible costs of raising Pardee dam and Pardee and Bear reservoirs for EBMUD customers. EBMUD gives the impression that the provision of clean water to its customers takes precedence over its destructive choices for the Mokelumne River.

Your behavior and decisions regarding the Mokelumne River result in, at least, the appearance that EBMUD believes that because there are more of you and less of us you should have what you want; that your economy is bigger and stronger than ours, so you should have what you want; that your environment is more important than ours, so you should have what you want; that we don't vote on the project or to elect you, so you can have what you want; that it is politically easier to deal with us than with your customers, so you should have what you want; that you don't need to include us in the entire public process, so you can have what you want; that most of your customers won't know what you're trying to do and won't learn of the consequences of your choices, so you can have what you want; that your lack of inclusivity and that the price we're expected to pay is far higher than what they will pay, so you can have what you want.

Even when EBMUD finally concedes to meet with affected parties outside of its customer area, it appears to be arrogant and dismissive, even while making last minute statements of wanting “partnerships”.

There is a lack of environmental justice on the part of EBMUD that must be corrected.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit my comments and for extending the submittal date.

## Rebecca Brown (RB)

- RB-1. EBMUD notes the commenter's appreciation of the review period extension until May 4, 2009.
- RB-2. Many of the objectives and the evaluation criteria that were used in the WSMP 2040, which stemmed from the District's mission statement, were developed to minimize certain impacts, recognizing that complete avoidance of impacts may not be possible. Please see the Master Response on the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Impacts to the environment will be thoroughly evaluated in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning for this component. The project-level EIR will also identify specific mitigation measures to reduce significant impacts.
- RB-3. There is no disconnect between WSMP 2040 and the referenced provisions of the California Water Code. EBMUD supports aggressive demand management. The Preferred Portfolio developed for the WSMP 2040 as recommended by the EBMUD Board includes extensive water conservation, a high level of water recycling, and a provision to require our customers to ration during times of drought. For information regarding the Demand Study developed for the WSMP 2040, please see the Master Response on this topic.
- RB-4. Please see Response RB-3.
- RB-5. The WSMP 2040 Preferred Portfolio includes a Regional Desalination component. Therefore, the WSMP 2040 is consistent with the section of the California Water Code as referenced.
- RB-6. All of the WSMP 2040 Alternative Proposals, as well as the Preferred Portfolio, include the use of recycled water. Levels of recycled water use vary between 5 MGD and 11 MGD. Recycled water is proposed for use in place of potable water to reduce demand for applications such as irrigation and industrial processes. EBMUD's existing and committed inventory of recycled water projects (in total and as implemented since the 1993 WSMP) are estimated to generate 9.3 MGD of recycled water by the year 2010. The WSMP 2040 Preferred Portfolio proposes to increase the amount of recycled water available for non-potable use by an additional 11 MGD (between the year 2010 and 2040). Projects within the District's service area include recycled water centralized treatment, satellite treatment, and raw water projects.
- RB-7. Please see Response FC3-72 for a discussion of the economic analysis that was conducted as part of the WSMP 2040. During this process, an estimation of both the individual component costs as well as the portfolio costs was developed.
- As requested, Regional Desalination is a component of the WSMP 2040 Preferred Portfolio.
- RB-8. Please see Responses SCSFB2-7 and SCSFB2-17 for a discussion of EBMUD's rate pricing structure.

The District acknowledges the commenter's support for water conservation, water recycling and other soft path projects. As stated in the Master Response on the WSMP 2040, the District is committed to implementing high levels of water conservation and recycling.

Conservation Level D was selected for inclusion in the Preferred Portfolio because it establishes an aggressive conservation goal that is greater than the District's current level of investment and it ensures that the District will continue to be a leader in the demand management aspects of future water supply planning. Conservation Level D includes both mandatory as well as voluntary conservation measures. Please see the WSMP 2040 Conservation Program Evaluation (March 19, 2009) for additional detail on the conservation levels evaluated as part of WSMP 2040. This evaluation can be found on the EBMUD website at:

[http://www.ebmud.com/water\\_&\\_environment/water\\_supply/water\\_supply\\_management\\_program/Conservation\\_Memo.pdf](http://www.ebmud.com/water_&_environment/water_supply/water_supply_management_program/Conservation_Memo.pdf)

For a discussion of the rationing levels considered as part of WSMP 2040, please see Response FC3-5.

- RB-9. EBMUD's existing and committed inventory of recycled water projects (in total and as implemented since the 1993 WSMP) are estimated to generate 9.3 MGD of recycled water by the year 2010. The WSMP 2040 Preferred Portfolio proposes to increase the amount of recycled water available for nonpotable use by an additional 11 MGD (between the year 2010 and 2040). Conservation Level D, which is included in the WSMP 2040 Preferred Portfolio, includes several measures to encourage and in some cases require the installation of graywater infrastructure. Conservation measures include:
- o Conservation Measure 43 (Require Plumbing for Future Gray Water Use): Require that the drain lines in new single-family homes be plumbed for future installation of graywater systems.
  - o Conservation Measure 50 (Graywater Retrofit, Single Family): Provide an incentive (up to \$1,000) to assist 450 single family homeowners per year to install gray water systems.
  - o Conservation Measure 51 (Graywater New, Single Family): Provide up to a \$500 incentive to assist builders of 300 single family homes per year with plumbing for future gray water system installation.

Please see the WSMP 2040 Conservation Program Evaluation (March 19, 2009) for additional detail on the conservation levels evaluated as part of WSMP 2040. This evaluation can be found on the EBMUD website at:

[http://www.ebmud.com/water\\_&\\_environment/water\\_supply/water\\_supply\\_management\\_program/Conservation\\_Memo.pdf](http://www.ebmud.com/water_&_environment/water_supply/water_supply_management_program/Conservation_Memo.pdf)

- RB-10. The Freeport Regional Water Project (FRWP) enables the District to meet a portion of its need for water during dry years. Additional needs must be met through a combination of water recycling, water conservation, rationing, and additional yield as supplied by the various supplemental supply projects included as elements of the preferred portfolio. The FRWP was not designed

**Rebecca Brown (RB)**

to serve as a supplemental supply source that would meet the entire Need for Water at the District during dry years through the year 2040. For a discussion of how demand was estimated, please refer to the Master Response on the Demand Study.

Please see Response CCWD-3 for a discussion regarding the District's consideration of the Los Vaqueros Expansion project in the context of the WSMP 2040. Please see Response ACBOS2-6 for a discussion regarding the consideration of the Buckhorn Canyon Reservoir project in the context of WSMP 2040.

- RB-11. The courts have confirmed that detailed mitigation measures may be more appropriately discussed at a project level, because, at this point, without further information on the project, they would require an unacceptable level of speculation. Subsequent project-level CEQA documentation will be prepared for specific portfolio components when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning.
- RB-12. Please see Response FC3-59 for a discussion of EBMUD's Policy 7.05 relating to environmental justice.



From: Rose Craig [mailto:arosegrows@me.com]  
Sent: Fri 3/20/2009 10:51 AM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Pardee Reservoir

I Oppose the Pardee Reservoir enlargement. New and expanded dams are simply too expensive for EBMUD ratepayers, provide relatively little new water, and are too harmful to the environment.

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The Pardee Reservoir enlargement will drown a segment of the Mokelumne River popular for kayaking and fishing, destroy existing and proposed public access facilities (including the Middle Bar Bridge ), require the relocation of the Hwy 49 bridge, and seasonally inundate nearly a mile of the Mokelumne proposed for Wild & Scenic River protection by the Bureau of Land Management.

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By drowning more of the river, EBMUD will thwart the decades of work that have gone into making the Mokelumne a more viable recreation resource that will economically benefit foothill communities.

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EBMUD should more efficiently use its existing water supplies by increasing water conservation and recycling.

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Sincerely,

Rose Craig

## Rose Craig (RCr)

- RCr-1. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040. Please also see response to Form Letter 2-2.
- RCr-2. Please see response Form Letter 2-3.
- RCr-3. Please see response Form Letter 2-3.
- RCr-4. The District acknowledges the commenter's support for water conservation and water recycling. As stated in the Master Response on the WSMP 2040, the District is committed to implementing high levels of water conservation and recycling.

----- COMMENT -----

NAME: ROBERT CURRALL

E Mail: [COUNTRYMICE@VOLCANO.NET](mailto:COUNTRYMICE@VOLCANO.NET)

Phone: 209 257 3138

Comment: I AM STRONGLY AGAINST YOU DAMMING PARDEE TO RAISE THE WATER  
AND FLOOD THE MOKELUMNE. HOW DO YOU GET THE RIGHT TO DO THIS?

----- END OF COMMENT

## Robert Currall 2 - Responses to Comment Letter #2 - 3/18/09 (RCur2)

RCur2-1. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040. Please see the Master Response on the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Project impacts will be fully examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. The project-level EIR will also identify specific mitigation measures to reduce significant impacts.

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf Of Richard Garcia-Kennedy  
Sent: Tuesday, April 21, 2009 3:00 AM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Apr 21, 2009

Mr. Thomas Francis  
375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

Dear Mr. Francis,

Please do not enlarge the Pardee and Lower Bear reservoirs drowning a segment of the Mokelumne River.

I believe the segments of the Mokelumne River that would be irreversibly lost are too valuable for the very modest, if any, real increase in water capacity. In California we are now approaching the point where population growth is creating an excess demand for recreational activities. The Mokelumne River provides that type of resource to people locally and from the Bay Area. The Bay Area/Sacramento urban population is going to be the economic resource that keeps the local area viable and that is much more valuable than a modest water project which I would guess may actually fail in ongoing drought as the resevoirs don't seem to fill currently anyway.

The segment of the Mokelumne flooded by the expansion of Pardee has been one of my favorite river segments in all of California for canoeing and kayaking so I have spent many days and weekends in the area.

Certainly occaisional compromises are needed but for the long-term economic health of the area maintaining intact recreational resources

will serve better than short-term water projects, especially when there are alternative approaches such as proposed by the "conservation" groups. I don't believe EBMUD should enlarge the Pardee and Lower Bear Reservoirs.

Please revise the Plan to eliminate the Pardee and Lower Bear Reservoir enlargements. The Plan should focus on increased conservation, recycling, and drought year rationing instead.

Sincerely,

Dr. Richard Garcia-Kennedy  
31 Presidio Ter  
San Francisco, CA 94118-1410

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## Richard Garcia-Kennedy (RGa)

- RGa-1. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir and Enlarge Lower Bear Reservoir components of the WSMP 2040.
- RGa-2. EBMUD believes the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component would provide a reliable water supply to meet the Need for Water in dry years.
- RGa-3. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir and Enlarge Lower Bear Reservoir components of the WSMP 2040. EBMUD recognizes the many recreational opportunities provided by the Mokelumne River. Impacts to recreation will be thoroughly examined in the project-level EIR for this component, when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning. The project-level EIR will also identify specific mitigation measures to reduce significant impacts.
- The alternative development process included an in-depth evaluation of over 50 components and a range of portfolios before the Board selected the Preferred Portfolio. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives. EBMUD supports increased water conservation and has included a high level of conservation in the WSMP 2040. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives.
- RGa-4. EBMUD recognizes the value of water conservation, recycling and rationing, and has included them as components in the Preferred Portfolio. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040.

From: Tony Gillman, Lafayette, CA [mailto:tgillman@sbcglobal.net]  
Sent: Monday, April 06, 2009 9:15 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Proposal to add tiers to water rates

EBMUD

Please consider my objection to the proposal to punish homeowners residing in the drier areas of Contra Costa County through an unreasonable increase in water fees.

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R. Gillman  
1075 Laurel Drive  
Lafayette, CA 94549

## R. Gillman (RGi)

RGi-1. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to increased water fees. Please see the response to SCSFB2-17 for a discussion of EBMUD's rate pricing structure.



From: rikmines@volcano.net [mailto:rikmines@volcano.net]  
Sent: Monday, May 04, 2009 8:08 AM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Please drop plans to expand Pardee Reservoir

East Bay Municipal Utilities District (EBMUD) Board

Dear Board Members:

Please do not vote to enlarge the damn on the Mokelumne River in the so-called Pardee Dam Expansion. It is unnecessary for the supply of sufficient water for your users and it is harmful to the human population and environment of Northern California.

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First, it is crucial that the EBMUD board vote to institute a steep pricing plan to discourage the use of water wastefully. Users will adjust their usage if a proper pricing plan is implemented. Just like the people of the East Bay and elsewhere are having to adjust their financial spending patterns to a 'realistic' level of their wealth after the popping of the bloated housing bubble, so too will they have to adjust to a realistic and sustainable level of water use. The populace must learn to be moderate in its consumption patterns if we are to bequeath sufficient economic and environment inheritance to our children.

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If adjustments to water storage are necessary, smaller reservoirs in developed areas must be chosen. The users of the water in Alameda and Contra Costa counties must understand that they cannot shift the burden of the provision of water onto 'upstream' areas. If these users need more water, then they will have to store it in their own neighborhoods.

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There is a standard of equity and fairness that is being violated by the Pardee Expansion Plan. The basin near the Main Stem of the Mokelumne River is a crucial economic resource for the people who live in the area. The people in the Bay Area have a vibrant industrial base and a huge economic production capacity that can provide thousands of jobs. But, the Calaveras/Amador county areas lack alternatives to recreation and retirement as sources of employment. If the attraction of the Mokelumne Basin is gutted by the project, hopes for building a secure job base in the area will be dashed.

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Finally, as a frequent user of the trails above the Main Stem basin that would be flooded by the project, I must remind you that you are destroying one of a diminishing number of beautiful and wild landscapes

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for the fauna and flora of the area. Before, you vote for this violation of the environment and of our rights to have a local economy, I would ask you to visit the Mokelumne basin and savor its timeless wild charm.

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Again, please vote against the Pardee Expansion. It is unfair for the residents of the area and unnecessary for the users of the Mokelumne's water.

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Yours sincerely,

Richard Mines, Ph. D.  
PO Box 381  
Railroad Flat, CA 95248  
209-293-4913

## Richard Mines (RMin)

- RMin-1. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040. Impacts will be fully examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component.
- RMin-2. Please see the responses to SCSFB2-7 and SCSFB2-17 for a discussion of EBMUD's rate pricing structure.
- RMin-3. The alternative development process included an in-depth evaluation of over 50 components. These components were reviewed and those that survived screening were included in the portfolios as developed. A number of projects that would be located within EBMUD's service area (in Alameda County and/or in Contra Costa County) were considered, including a desalination plant that would serve C&H Sugar, Inc., a proposed Buckhorn Canyon Reservoir, and a proposed Bayside Groundwater Project Phase 2. As part of the Preferred Portfolio, the Bayside Groundwater Storage Project Phase 2 is included as one of the supplemental supply components. The Preferred Portfolio also includes a recycled water component that would construct facilities within the EBMUD service area. Another component of the Preferred Portfolio that would be located within and/or immediately adjacent to the service area is the Regional Desalination Project. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for further information.
- RMin-4. Please see Response FC3-59. EBMUD commits to reviewing Environmental Justice impacts at the project level if the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040 enters the project-specific planning stage.
- RMin-5. Hiking trails located in the vicinity of Pardee Reservoir are described in the Draft PEIR, page 4.2.D-5. Draft PEIR Impact 5.2.D-2: Potential impairment of recreation facilities and activities, describes the impacts to trails surrounding Pardee Reservoir, which are determined to be potentially significant. However, with implementation of Mitigation Measures 5.2.D-2a (Repair and reopen affected recreational facilities) and 5.2.D-2b (Replace inundated recreational features), impacts would be mitigated to a less than significant level. Impacts to recreation will be fully examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component.
- RMin-6. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040.

From: Friends of the River on behalf of Ron Platt  
Sent: Tue 3/31/2009 12:20 AM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam or Lower Bear Reservoir

Mar 31, 2009

Mr. Thomas Francis  
375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

Dear Mr. Francis,

Please do not enlarge the Pardee and Lower Bear reservoirs drowning a segment of the Mokelumne River.

Future water needs for EBMUD customers should be met without enlarging the Pardee or Lower Bear Reservoirs. Future demand should be contained. EBMUD's proposed Water Supply Management Plan overstates demand because it doesn't require significant cutbacks in water use from customers. Also, the Plan substantially underestimates the amount of water that could be produced by reasonable and achievable increases in water conservation, recycling, groundwater storage, and increased rationing during drought years.

The Pardee reservoir enlargement will drown a segment of the Mokelumne River recommended by the BLM for wild and scenic river protection. This section is also popular for kayaking and fishing. The Pardee enlargement would destroy the recently renovated Middle Bar Bridge, portions of the recently completed Coast-to-Crest Trail, and other existing and proposed public access facilities, as well as require the costly relocation of the Hwy 49 bridge.

The Lower Bear reservoir enlargement could alter Mokelumne River flows that have been improved to benefit fish, wildlife, and recreation. These improved flows took years to negotiate as part of PG&E's federal hydroelectric license. EBMUD's proposed reservoir enlargements will thwart the decades of work that have gone into making the Mokelumne a more viable recreation resource that will economically benefit foothill communities.

Please revise the Plan to eliminate the Pardee and Lower Bear Reservoir enlargements. The Plan should focus on increased conservation, recycling, and drought year rationing instead.

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Sincerely,

Mr. Ron Platt  
4924 Treosti Pl  
Valley Springs, CA 95252-8772

## Ron Platt (RP)

- RP-1. Please see response Form Letter 3-1.
- RP-2. EBMUD recognizes the many recreational opportunities provided by the Mokelumne River (please see pages 4.2.D-5 through 4.2.D-6 of the Draft PEIR and response FC-24). Impacts to recreation will be thoroughly examined in the project-level EIR for this component, when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning. The project-level EIR will also identify specific mitigation measures to reduce significant impacts. Please see response Form Letter 3-2.
- RP-3. Please see response Form Letter 3-3.

From: Dianne and Ron [mailto:dianneandron@earthlink.net]  
Sent: Monday, March 16, 2009 2:40 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Cc: chris@foothillconservancy.org; sph@volcano.net; merita9@comcast.net; 'Addie Jacobson'; Alice Trinkl; Bunny Firebaugh; John Trinkl; Susan Robinson; Susan Shoaff  
Subject: PARDEE RESEVOIR ENLARGEMENT

March 16, 2009

EBMUD Water Supply Improvements Division  
Oakland, CA 94607

Dear Mr. Francis:

I oppose the Pardee Reservoir enlargement proposed in EBMUD's Water Supply Management Plan and Programmatic Environmental Impact Report. The justification for increasing Pardee's water storage capacity is specious, shortsighted and, in the broad perspective, not cost effective.

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Natural resources are not limitless, even if they are renewable. The Mokelumne River's capacity to provide water must be determined relevant to all of its users and subsequent ramifications. The era of dam building and/or expansion is archaic, especially when taking into consideration the total dollar cost, the cost to the environment, ecosystem, the cost to the local economy, the cost of destroying river usage, the cost of destroying historical/cultural heritage, to name a few.

Now is the time to put the effort into fostering conservation habits, processing and recycling waste water, and being honest that rationing regimens will probably become a way of life. The old way of doing business is obsolete. That is, you can no longer just go out and find and harness new rivers or destroy more of a watershed by increasing dam height. That route is pretty much exhausted, and the utilization and destruction of resources for the benefit of the few, and profit for even the fewer, is no longer acceptable.

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I also feel that Mr. Hardy's concern that "they (opponents) are missing the timing element", as quoted in the Calaveras Enterprise of March 13, 2009, is irrelevant. The issue is whether the dam's enlargement is the best application of the Mokelumne River watershed's resources, now or any time.

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Thank you for allowing me to express my concerns.

Sincerely,

Ron Szymanski  
Hathaway Pines, CA  
95233

## Ron Szymanski (RSz)

- RSz-1. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040. Please see the Master Response on the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Project impacts will be fully examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. As stated in the Master Response on the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component, EBMUD will pursue multiple supplemental supply components simultaneously, with the most cost effective and efficient projects being pursued first.
- RSz-2. The District acknowledges the commenter's support for water conservation, water recycling and other soft path projects, as well as the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. As stated in the Master Response on the WSMP 2040, the District is committed to implementing high levels of water conservation and recycling. Please see response FC3-5 for a discussion of rationing.
- RSz-3. Comment acknowledged. Please see the Master Response on the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component.



From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf Of Steve Andrews  
Sent: Tuesday, March 24, 2009 3:21 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Mar 24, 2009

Mr. Thomas Francis  
375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

Dear Mr. Francis,

Please do not enlarge the Pardee and Lower Bear reservoirs drowning a segment of the Mokelumne River.

Save the Moke! It's an amazingly beautiful place and a fun kayak run. I don't fish, but if I did, I'd fish there. California farmers and urbanites don't need more water; while they always want more water, what they need to do is to start conserving water. For inspiration, check out the Rogue River, which is becoming one of the most natural rivers in the west. The Moke is equally special.

Save the Moke! Save the Moke! Save the Moke!

I believe that EBMUD can easily meet its future water needs without enlarging the Pardee or Lower Bear Reservoirs. EBMUD's proposed Water Supply Management Plan is significantly overestimating future demand. In addition, the Plan substantially underestimates the amount of water that could be produced by reasonable and achievable increases in water conservation, recycling, groundwater storage, and increased rationing during drought years.

The Pardee reservoir enlargement will drown a segment of the Mokelumne

River recommended by the BLM for wild and scenic river protection. This

section is also popular for kayaking and fishing. The Pardee enlargement would destroy the recently renovated Middle Bar Bridge and other existing and proposed public access facilities, as well as require the costly relocation of the Hwy 49 bridge.

The Lower Bear reservoir enlargement could alter Mokelumne River flows that have been improved to benefit fish, wildlife, and recreation. These improved flows took years to negotiate as part of PG&E's federal hydroelectric license. EBMUD's proposed reservoir enlargements will thwart the decades of work that have gone into making the Mokelumne a more viable recreation resource that will economically benefit foothill communities.

Please revise the Plan to eliminate the Pardee and Lower Bear Reservoir enlargements. The Plan should focus on increased conservation,

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recycling, and drought year rationing instead.

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Sincerely,

Mr. Steve Andrews  
154 1/2 Panoramic Way  
Berkeley, CA 94704-1830

## Steve Andrews (SA)

- SA-1. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir and Enlarge Lower Bear Reservoir components of the WSMP 2040.
- SA-2. EBMUD recognizes the importance of the Mokelumne River to the local community as well as the many recreational opportunities provided by the Mokelumne River (please see pages 4.2.D-5 through 4.2.D-6 of the Draft PEIR and FC-24). Impacts to recreation will be thoroughly examined in the project-level EIR for this component, when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning. The project-level EIR will also identify specific mitigation measures to reduce significant impacts.

Please see the Master Response on the Demand Study for a discussion of demand assumptions and projections. EBMUD supports increased water conservation and has included a high level of conservation in the WSMP 2040. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives.

- SA-3. Please see response Form Letter 3-1.
- SA-4. Please see response Form Letter 3-2.
- SA-5. Please see response Form Letter 3-3.

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf Of Susan Battersby  
Sent: Monday, March 23, 2009 10:50 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Mar 24, 2009

Mr. Thomas Francis  
375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

Dear Mr. Francis,

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I believe that EBMUD can easily meet its future water needs without enlarging the Pardee or Lower Bear Reservoirs. EBMUD's proposed Water Supply Management Plan is significantly overestimating future demand. In addition, the Plan substantially underestimates the amount of water that could be produced by reasonable and achievable increases in water conservation, recycling, groundwater storage, and increased rationing every year, not just during droughts.

The Pardee reservoir enlargement will drown a segment of the Mokelumne River recommended by the BLM for wild and scenic river protection. This section is also popular for kayaking and fishing. The Pardee enlargement would destroy the recently renovated Middle Bar Bridge and other existing and proposed public access facilities, as well as require the costly relocation of the Hwy 49 bridge.

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I have spent many a hot sunny summer day floating down the river in a truck inner tube. I would suggest that you try it too. Remember, California is a desert. There is no need to ever waste water.

Sadly we lost the Stanislaus years ago. Let us not lose this beautiful river too.

Please revise the Plan to eliminate the Pardee and Lower Bear Reservoir enlargements. The Plan should focus on increased conservation, recycling, and drought year rationing instead.



Sincerely,

Ms. Susan Battersby  
1342 Versailles Ave  
Alameda, CA 94501-4720

## Susan Battersby (SBat)

SBat-1. Please see response Form Letter 3-1.

SBat-2. Please see response Form Letter 3-2.

SBat-3. Please see response Form Letter 3-3.

SBat-4. EBMUD recognizes the importance of the Mokelumne River to the local community. Impacts to recreation will be fully examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component.

EBMUD supports increased water conservation and has included a high level of conservation in the WSMP 2040. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives.

SBat-5. EBMUD recognizes the value of water conservation, recycling and rationing, and has included them as components in the Preferred Portfolio. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040.

From: Friends of the River on behalf of Sharon Cavallo  
Sent: Tue 3/17/2009 8:13 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Protect the Mokelumne from Dam Damage

Mar 17, 2009

Mr. Thomas Francis  
375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

Dear Mr. Francis,

Please do not enlarge the Pardee and Lower Bear reservoirs downing a segment of the Mokelumne River. EBMUD should make every effort to meet its future water needs without enlarging the Pardee or Lower Bear Reservoirs. EBMUD's proposed Water Supply Management Plan is significantly overestimating future demand. In addition, the Plan substantially underestimates the amount of water that could be produced by reasonable and achievable increases in water conservation, recycling, groundwater storage, and increased rationing during drought years.

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Please revise the Plan to eliminate the Pardee and Lower Bear Reservoir enlargements. The Plan should focus on increased conservation, recycling, and drought year rationing instead.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Sharon Cavallo  
2812 Stevens Dr  
Auburn, CA 95602-8806



## Sharon Cavallo (SCa)

- SCa-1. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir and Enlarge Lower Bear Reservoir components of the WSMP 2040.
- SCa-2. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir and Enlarge Lower Bear Reservoir components of the WSMP 2040. Please see the Master Response on the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Project impacts will be thoroughly evaluated in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning for this component. Please see the Master Response on Program-level EIR analysis.

The alternative development process included an in-depth evaluation of over 50 components and a range of portfolios before the Board selected the Preferred Portfolio. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives. The Enlarge Pardee Reservoir and Enlarge Lower Bear Reservoir components are two potential components that could be implemented to meet the Need for Water; however, as stated in the Master Response on the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component, not all of the supplemental supply components will necessarily be constructed. It should be noted, however, that the goal and intention of the Preferred Portfolio is to allow the District flexibility to implement supplemental water projects as needed to meet the Need for Water and to be able to respond to the circumstances that arise during the 2010-2040 planning period.

- SCa-3. Please see response Form Letter 3-1.
- SCa-4. Please see response Form Letter 3-2.
- SCa-5. Please see response Form Letter 3-3.



From: sigmundcsicsery@yahoo.com [mailto:sigmundcsicsery@yahoo.com]  
Sent: Tuesday, April 07, 2009 1:59 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Water allocation and pricing policy

Dear EBMUD,

EBMUD's policy of water allocation and distribution remained the same as when the district serviced mostly high density urban areas such as Oakland, Berkeley and Richmond, where the users did not need much water to irrigate gardens. Furthermore, during the hot part of the year these areas are about 20-30 degrees cooler than in the much less dense communities living east of the Oakland-Berkeley hills, such as Orinda, Lafayette, Walnut Creek, Concord, etc.

In drought years the dangers of devastating fires is also much higher in our area, i.e., in the communities east of the Oakland-Berkeley hills. Therefore, to minimize fire hazards, people in our area need much more water than those living in cities west of the hills to avoid or at least minimize the drying out of the vegetation.

We understand EBMUD's difficult situation during prolonged droughts. However, we feel that the proposed five-tier system and the very high unit charges those of us face who are forced by their geography and other circumstances to use more water than the people who live west of the Oakland-Berkeley hills is unjust.

We strongly feel that all ratepayers should equally share EBMUD's increased expenses and that the need should determine the consumption allowed. Fire protection should be an important factor in determining water allocation. In summary, justifiable need should determine the amount of water allocated and its cost. Please, reconsider your plans.

Sincerely yours,  
Sigmund and Gabrielle Csicsery  
Lafayette home owners since 1967  
1145 Garden Lane, Lafayette CA 94549

## Sigmund and Gabrielle Csicery (SCs)

SCs-1. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's statements regarding the District's water rate structure. Further, the District acknowledges the commenter's concern regarding disaster readiness as it relates to the need for an adequate water supply for use in fighting fires.

EBMUD's Board of Directors addresses the topic of rates separately from the WSMP 2040. However, EBMUD has reviewed comments regarding rate structure options (please see Responses SCSFB2-7 and SCSFB2-17). EBMUD works with the local communities within our service area on disaster readiness planning. Topics such as fire prevention / fire risk minimization are discussed frequently. EBMUD's existing water conservation program encourages our customers to consider drought tolerant landscape features and planting patterns that minimize fire risk.

From: Friends of the River on behalf of Steven Frie  
Sent: Tue 3/17/2009 6:43 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Mar 17, 2009

Mr. Thomas Francis  
375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

Dear Mr. Francis,

Please do not enlarge the Pardee and Lower Bear reservoirs downing a segment of the Mokelumne River.

I believe that EBMUD can easily meet its future water needs without enlarging the Pardee or Lower Bear Reservoirs. EBMUD's proposed Water Supply Management Plan is significantly overestimating future demand. In addition, the Plan substantially underestimates the amount of water that could be produced by reasonable and achievable increases in water conservation, recycling, groundwater storage, and increased rationing during drought years.

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The Pardee reservoir enlargement will drown a segment of the Mokelumne River recommended by the BLM for wild and scenic river protection. This section is also popular for kayaking and fishing. The Pardee enlargement would destroy the recently renovated Middle Bar Bridge and other existing and proposed public access facilities, as well as require the costly relocation of the Hwy 49 bridge.

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The Lower Bear reservoir enlargement could alter Mokelumne River flows that have been improved to benefit fish, wildlife, and recreation. These improved flows took years to negotiate as part of PG&E's federal hydroelectric license. EBMUD's proposed reservoir enlargements will thwart the decades of work that have gone into making the Mokelumne a more viable recreation resource that will economically benefit foothill communities.

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There is no water crisis in California as long as water is not metered in Sacramento.

Please revise the Plan to eliminate the Pardee and Lower Bear Reservoir enlargements. The Plan should focus on increased conservation, recycling, and drought year rationing instead.

Sincerely,

Mr. Steven Frie  
1628 Balboa Ave  
Burlingame, CA 94010-4616

## Steven Frie (SF)

- SF-1. Please see Response Form Letter 3-1.
- SF-2. Please see Response Form Letter 3-2.
- SF-3. Please see Response Form Letter 3-3. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's view that Sacramento area residents' water use should be metered.

EBMUD  
375 11<sup>th</sup> Street  
Oakland CA 94607  
[camanche.extension@ebmud.com](mailto:camanche.extension@ebmud.com)

April 6, 2009

Dear Mr. Etheridge,

Thank you for the opportunity to offer input into your Comanche Permit Extension project which would entail expansion of the Comanche Reservoir resulting in flooding more of the Mokelumne River. I appreciate that you offered some public forums to receive personal comments from the community. I was able to attend the meeting in San Andreas, but did not offer comment that evening.

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Approximately 100 years ago, Northern California was somewhat in a similar predicament. Right after the San Francisco earthquake and fire, the city looked east to the barren California land for their water resources. It was Hetch Hetchy valley located in Yosemite National Park that they found. Its sheer granite walls made it a “natural” dam. Understandably, San Francisco had a lot of reconstruction to undergo and, after this natural disaster, they knew that they needed the security of a reliable water supply to move forward as a progressive city.

John Muir and the Sierra Club were primarily the lone defenders of Hetch Hetchy Valley. Muir described Hetch Hetchy as “more stunning” than even Yosemite Valley. Muir used his connection with President Theodore Roosevelt to save Hetch Hetchy, but when Woodrow Wilson entered office in 1913, the battle was soon over. By the end of that same year, Wilson signed a federal bill allowing the construction of the dam. One year later, John Muir died.

Today, there is not one person alive that has ever walked through this “little Yosemite”, as Hetch Hetchy was also known. There are stories of unique grasses with edible seeds that only grew in this valley. All gone. The picturesque valley that so closely resembles Yosemite Valley, too, is gone. Destroyed forever. That’s a long time. All that we have are the descriptions by John Muir and our imagination to try to understand what it must have been like. We have the “before” and “after” pictures, but we can never go back to the pristine Hetch Hetchy Valley before the dam.

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(Photographs from Wikipedia “Hetch Hetchy Valley”, [www.wikipedia.org](http://www.wikipedia.org))

If only we could enjoy Hetch Hetchy Valley as a national recreational park like we do with Yosemite Valley today. Would San Francisco be willing to find water resources elsewhere? Would they still claim that sacrificing Hetch Hetchy is worth it? I think not. I cannot imagine a San Franciscan that would care more for their own water resources than destroying Yosemite National Park. It is a fact that Hetch Hetchy has been destroyed for all of us today and all of our future generations. Just imagine - to have the opportunity to recreate in this pristine "little Yosemite" Valley, walk on the soil, sit underneath the trees, fish in the river, camp in the meadow ... gone.

Today East Bay Municipal Utility District is looking once again to the remote California land east of them. Their gaze is not motivated by a disaster, such as the San Francisco earthquake and fire, but motivated by the prospect of continued growth and prosperity. EBMUD has already claimed parts of the Mokelumne River through the Pardee and Camanche Dams & Reservoirs. The proposal to expand the Camanche Dam and increase the reservoir capacity will further destroy the natural beauty of the Mokelumne River. More of the Mokelumne River will be added to the list of places that people will never be able to enjoy again. Legends will be told of fishing along the river and fishing from the bridge. Time will pass and soon no one alive will ever have walked on those paths or fished from that river's edge. All that will be left is the legend.

Can we as a people not lift our eyes and look for an alternative that would not permanently destroy our natural lands? Can we as a people not accept limited growth and limited prosperity at the risk of ruining our natural resources forever? I am pleased to see that EBMUD is involved in the East Bay Regional Desalinization Project. These are some of the alternative options that need to be further pursued instead of projects that are completely irreversible, such as dams.

I believe it is my personal duty to be the best possible care-giver of the good things God has given me in the form of my talents, blessings bestowed upon me, and natural resources around me. I am deeply concerned over the permanent damage that this dam has already caused and see further development of this project as a grave detriment to our land.

Please seriously consider the ramifications of this proposal.

Sincerely,

Sally Finch  
P.O. Box 391  
Vallecito CA 95251  
safinch@jps.net

*"The world, we are told, was made especially for man – a presumption not supported by all the facts. A numerous class of men are painfully astonished whenever they find anything, living or dead, in all God's universe, which they cannot eat or render in some way what they call useful to themselves." John Muir*

## Sally Finch (SFi)

- SFi-1. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to expanded reservoirs and new dams. The letter appears to refer to the Public meeting in San Andreas in March 2009 regarding the Program Draft Environmental Impact Report for the WSMP 2040. One of the components of the Preferred Portfolio discusses the Expansion of Pardee Reservoir which may impacts a stretch of the Mokelumne River. It is assumed that the letter addresses this issue, as the Camanche Extension Project is not part of the WSMP 2040.
- SFi-2. EBMUD recognizes the many recreational opportunities provided by the Mokelumne River (please see pages 4.2.D-5 through 4.2.D-6 of the Draft PEIR and response FC-24). Impacts to recreation will be thoroughly examined in the project-level EIR for this component, when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning. The project-level EIR will also identify specific mitigation measures to reduce significant impacts. Please see response Form Letter 3-2.



From: Stuart Flashman [mailto:stuflash@aol.com]  
Sent: Thursday, March 26, 2009 1:01 PM  
To: 'Lois Humphreys'; 'Barbara Becnel'; 'Betty Graham'; 'Bob Glover';  
'Bruce Kern'; 'Charles Gilcrest'; 'Chuck Brydon'; 'David Nesmith';  
'Henry Gardner'; 'Howard Kerr'; 'John G.'; 'John Gioia'; 'Julia Liou';  
'Kris Hunt'; 'Laura Harnish'; 'Merlin Edwards'; 'Michael Hanneman';  
'Tomi Van de Brooke'; 'Walt Gill'; Francis, Thomas  
Cc: Bartlett, An; 'Marcia Tobin'; 'Yanna McLaughlin'  
Subject: RE: SAVE THE DATE

Just a reminder that at the March 10th CLC meeting, EBMUD staff promised to have available a draft conservation memo that would lay out the evidence on the cost, effectiveness and feasibility of various potential conservation measures. This is obviously an important memo in terms of understanding the basis for the analysis of conservation measures in the draft EIR. This far, I have yet to see that memo. If it is available, I'd like to receive a copy of it. I also think it should be promptly posted on the EBMUD website for reference purposes along with the draft EIR.

It would certainly be a violation of the intent of CEQA, if not the actual letter of the law, to ask the public to comment on the draft EIR but not have available to the public the evidence on which the EIR is supposedly based.

PS -- Please consider this e-mail a comment letter on the DEIR.

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## Stuart Flashman (SFI)

SFI-1. The information from the WSMP 2040 Planning Process was made publicly available on EBMUD's website after each Board and Community Liaison Committee meeting from April 2007 through March 2009 here:  
[http://www.ebmud.com/water\\_&\\_environment/water\\_supply/water\\_supply\\_management\\_program/](http://www.ebmud.com/water_&_environment/water_supply/water_supply_management_program/)

For more information on the Conservation Program Evaluation and Water Shortage costs memoranda, please refer to this link:  
[http://www.ebmud.com/water\\_&\\_environment/water\\_supply/water\\_supply\\_management\\_program/economic\\_analyses/default.htm](http://www.ebmud.com/water_&_environment/water_supply/water_supply_management_program/economic_analyses/default.htm)

From: Susan Jette [mailto:mermaiddrummergirl@sbcglobal.net]  
Sent: Monday, March 16, 2009 12:02 AM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Moke river

I am opposed to the plan to flood the Moke river.  
It's beautiful just the way it is!!  
Susan Jette,  
Vallejo CA



**Susan Jette (SJ)**

SJ-1. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040. Impacts to visual resources recreation will be fully examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component.

From: Stan Logan [mailto:stlogan@caltel.com]  
Sent: Fri 4/3/2009 9:03 AM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Pardee Reservoir Expansion

EBMUD

I am opposed to any expansion of Pardee Reservoir that floods over any additional part of the Mokelumne River. EBMUD's policies over the past years has been rape the river and bludgeon the citizens of Calaveras County for the water needs of EBMUD. The hard fought gains from EBMUD of recreational use of the river by the citizens of Calaveras and Amador Counties cannot be relinquished. You seem to think you can run roughshod over an entire county and force them into accepting your desires for more, more, more. Well I think you are taking all the water from Calaveras County that you should be allowed to. No flanking move that EBMUD will create habitat for endangered species and wild life to mask the obvious destruction of habitat in doing so should be tolerated. EBMUD is entitled to use slash, smash and bludgeon policies in dealing with the citizens of Calaveras County but don't expect us to then support your further rape of our rivers and way of life for the financial gain of EBMUD.

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Comanche Reservoir can be used for additional water storage as it is not being fully utilized. EBMUD customers can additionally use water conversation, as the citizens of Calaveras County does, to reduce their growing need for more water. Additionally the communities being serviced by EBMUD need to curtail their rampant housing growth to be in line with the existing capacity of EBMUD to supply them water. That is what we living in Calaveras County have to do.

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Again I am totally opposed to "any" further expansion of Pardee Reservoir.

Stan Logan  
4051 Brooks Rd  
Valley Springs, Ca 95252  
209-419-1538  
[stlogan@caltel.com](mailto:stlogan@caltel.com)

## Stan Logan (SLog)

- SLog-1. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040. Impacts to recreation will be fully examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component.
- SLog-2. The District acknowledges the commenter's support for water. As stated in the Master Response on the WSMP 2040, the District is committed to implementing high levels of water conservation and recycling. Please see the Master Response on the Demand Study for a discussion of demand assumptions and projections.

From: Sharon Long [mailto:laloba@twinwolf.net]  
Sent: Wednesday, February 25, 2009 2:56 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: No new dam elevation on Mokelumne River Please!!!!

Please add my comment that I am opposed to any new dam elevation on the Moke River  
I would prefer to see it silted up and left to nature. Thank you.

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## Sharon Long 1 - Responses to Comment Letter #1 - 4/3/09 (SLon1)

SLon1-1. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040.



From: Friends of the River on behalf of Steven Schlegel  
Sent: Tue 3/17/2009 5:13 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Mar 17, 2009

Mr. Thomas Francis  
375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

Dear Mr. Francis,

Please do not enlarge the Pardee and Lower Bear reservoirs downing a segment of the Mokelumne River. This is not time to give away river resources we still have. The central Sierras did get a reasonable amount of snow this year! I believe that EBMUD can easily meet its future water needs without enlarging the Pardee or Lower Bear Reservoirs. EBMUD's proposed Water Supply Management Plan is significantly overestimating future demand. In addition, the Plan substantially underestimates the amount of water that could be produced by reasonable and achievable increases in water conservation, recycling, groundwater storage, and increased rationing during drought years.

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Please revise the Plan to eliminate the Pardee and Lower Bear Reservoir enlargements. The Plan should focus on increased conservation, recycling, and drought year rationing instead.

Sincerely,

Mr. Steven Schlegel



2006 W 146th Pl  
Gardena, CA 90249-3232

## Steven Schlegel (SSchl)

- SSchl-1. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir and Enlarge Lower Bear Reservoir components of the WSMP 2040.
- SSchl-2. EBMUD agrees with the commenter that the Mokelumne River is a valuable resource and EBMUD recognizes the importance of the Mokelumne River to the local community. Please see the Master Response on the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Project impacts will be thoroughly evaluated in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning for this component. Please see the Master Response on Program-level EIR analysis.
- SSchl-3. Please see response Form Letter 3-1.
- SSchl-4. Please see response Form Letter 3-2.
- SSchl-5. Please see response Form Letter 3-3.

From: tyc@goldrush.com [mailto:tyc@goldrush.com]  
Sent: Monday, March 09, 2009 1:10 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Please drop plans to expand Pardee Reservoir

Dear East Bay MUD and local officials:

I have kayaked, hiked, photographed, fished, swum, and rejuvenated myself in the Mokelumne River watershed for over thirty-five years. I learned to treasure this irreplaceable resource even more after losing the fights to keep the North and Main Forks of the Stanislaus River free-flowing.

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Turning the valley above the the Middle Bar Bridge into a silt-draped bathtub, devoid of life, could not possibly be justified by the short-term gains. The "bottom line" should consider more than the dollar value of this resource. Please do not enlarge Pardee Reservoir. Free-flowing rivers in the Sierra Nevada foothills are an endangered species.

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Tyler Childress  
18609 Rainbow Road  
Mokelumne Hill, CA 95245

## Tyler Childress (TC)

- TC-1. EBMUD recognizes the many recreational opportunities provided by the Mokelumne River, as well as its importance to the local community.
- TC-2. At this stage, there is no certainty regarding the impacts of the potential Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Please see the Master Response on the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Project impacts will be fully examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. The project-level EIR will also identify specific mitigation measures to reduce significant impacts.
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From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf Of Tom Gelder  
Sent: Wednesday, March 18, 2009 11:45 AM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Mar 18, 2009

Mr. Thomas Francis  
375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

Dear Mr. Francis,

Please do not enlarge the Pardee and Lower Bear reservoirs downing a segment of the Mokelumne River.

Raising the Pardee Dam and flooding the Moke would be a terrible loss to the community of a valuable recreation resource.

I believe that EBMUD can easily meet its future water needs without enlarging the Pardee or Lower Bear Reservoirs. EBMUD's proposed Water Supply Management Plan is significantly overestimating future demand. In addition, the Plan substantially underestimates the amount of water that could be produced by reasonable and achievable increases in water conservation, recycling, groundwater storage, and increased rationing during drought years.

The Pardee reservoir enlargement will drown a segment of the Mokelumne River recommended by the BLM for wild and scenic river protection. This section is also popular for kayaking and fishing. The Pardee enlargement would destroy the recently renovated Middle Bar Bridge and other existing and proposed public access facilities, as well as require the costly relocation of the Hwy 49 bridge.

The Lower Bear reservoir enlargement could alter Mokelumne River flows that have been improved to benefit fish, wildlife, and recreation. These improved flows took years to negotiate as part of PG&E's federal hydroelectric license. EBMUD's proposed reservoir enlargements will thwart the decades of work that have gone into making the Mokelumne a more viable recreation resource that will economically benefit foothill communities.

Please revise the Plan to eliminate the Pardee and Lower Bear Reservoir enlargements. The Plan should focus on increased conservation, recycling, and drought year rationing instead.

Sincerely,

Mr. Tom Gelder  
PO Box 944  
Kernville, CA 93238-0944

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## Tom Gelder (TG)

- TG-1. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir and Enlarge Lower Bear Reservoir components of the WSMP 2040.
- TG-2. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir and Enlarge Lower Bear Reservoir components of the WSMP 2040. EBMUD recognizes the importance of the Mokelumne River to the local community. At this stage, there is no certainty regarding the impacts of the potential Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component.
- EBMUD recognizes the many recreational opportunities provided by the Mokelumne River (please see pages 4.2.D-5 through 4.2.D-6 of the Draft PEIR and FC-24). Impacts to recreation will be thoroughly examined in the project-level EIR for this component, when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning. The project-level EIR will also identify specific mitigation measures to reduce significant impacts.
- TG-3. Please see response Form Letter 3-1.
- TG-4. Please see response Form Letter 3-2.
- TG-5. Please see response Form Letter 3-3.

-----Original Message-----

From: Timothy Holton [mailto:tim@holtonframes.com]

Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2009 2:12 PM

To: Francis, Thomas

Subject: Pardee Reservoir expansion

Dear Mr Francis -

I am writing to voice my opposition to the Pardee Reservoir expansion and the drowning of critical habitat along the Mokelumne River. Riparian habitat in California is the most threatened there is; about 1% of the original is left. The time has come when we must stop running rough-shod over the landscape with only our short term needs driving us. We must stop such narrow-minded behavior. We must insist that our water districts treat water for what it is - the shared wealth of earth's creatures.

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- Timothy Holton  
Berkeley, CA



## Timothy Holton (THo)

- THo-1. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040. Project impacts will be fully examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component.

From: teresa hylton [mailto:dragon\_stone@sbcglobal.net]  
Sent: Tuesday, March 03, 2009 7:12 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Pardee expansion is not the answer

Dear Thomas B. Francis,

I am appalled and disgusted to hear about the Pardee expansion project. Has anyone really looked at what this would do to the area? For starters, it would endanger the lives of several residents by creating only one way out in the event of a dangerous wildfire. I'm not sure EBMUD nor the State of CA would be able sustain the financial blows that the subsequent lawsuits would bring. That's just the beginning of many headaches for EBMUD if you go through with this. The last time I checked, we were in a budget crisis, how are you planning on paying for this? By getting the State to levy more taxes against the citizens of CA??? Who paid for the environmental impact report and if it was favorable for EBMUD to do this, then WHO got paid??? For people who live in the city, a river is just a water supply for them to water their landscape and wash their SUV's with. Rivers actually have wildlife and ecosystems that rely heavily on the fact that the water is moving and not still. We're stealing land and habitat from wildlife and thinking nothing of it. If more water is needed in this state, then it's high time we stop the growth or stop mismanaging the resources, not put our environment in jeopardy. Has EBMUD seen what has happened to the salmon population? We've paved over our farmlands, we've dammed the rivers, we've killed off the natural flora and fauna...who shall we cry to when we have nothing left to eat or drink? The State of California needs to be a leader and show responsibility. I would hope that EBMUD shows some responsibility and does NOT go through with this disastrous project. I think you'll have a pretty good fight on your hands and I hope it ultimately ends up like the Auburn Dam project. Dead in the water! Just think how much money will have been wasted by EBMUD to try and fight to get this through. I know that myself and many others will do what is necessary to stop this irresponsible project.

Keep the Moke moving,  
Teresa Hylton



## Teresa Hylton (THy)

- THy-1. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040. EBMUD does not plan to eliminate access in the Upcountry region. When and if EBMUD decides to move forward with project-level planning for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component, a project-level EIR will be prepared that will thoroughly examine impacts on emergency access. Please see the Master Responses on Program-level EIR analysis and the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component.
- THy-2. As stated in the Master Response on the WSMP 2040, EBMUD will pursue multiple supplemental supply components simultaneously, with the most cost effective and efficient projects being pursued first. The District would seek to involve partner agencies to share costs and to provide regional benefits in terms of yield.
- THy-3. At this stage, there is no certainty regarding the impacts of the potential Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Impacts to fisheries, wildlife, and other resource areas will be thoroughly examined in the project-level EIR for this component, when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning. The project-level EIR will also identify specific mitigation measures to reduce significant impacts. Please see response NMFS-12 for a discussion of fisheries
- Please see response FC3-62 for a discussion of growth inducement and the Master Response on the Demand Study for a discussion of demand assumptions and projections.
- THy-4. EBMUD believes the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component would provide a reliable water supply to meet the Need for Water in dry years. The alternative development process included an in-depth evaluation of over 50 components and a range of portfolios before the Board selected the Preferred Portfolio. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives.

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf Of Thomas Miro  
Sent: Wednesday, March 25, 2009 4:53 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Mar 25, 2009

Mr. Thomas Francis  
375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

Dear Mr. Francis,

Please do not enlarge the Pardee and Lower Bear reservoirs drowning a segment of the Mokelumne River.

Enlarging storage sites is not an option. We cannot dam our way out of this. We can restrain growth and revolutionize farming. I believe that EBMUD can easily meet its future water needs without enlarging the Pardee or Lower Bear Reservoirs. EBMUD's proposed Water Supply Management Plan is significantly overestimating future demand. In addition, the Plan substantially underestimates the amount of water that could be produced by reasonable and achievable increases in water conservation, recycling, groundwater storage, and increased rationing during drought years.

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The Pardee reservoir enlargement will drown a segment of the Mokelumne River recommended by the BLM for wild and scenic river protection. This section is also popular for kayaking and fishing. The Pardee enlargement would destroy the recently renovated Middle Bar Bridge and other existing and proposed public access facilities, as well as require the costly relocation of the Hwy 49 bridge.

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The Lower Bear reservoir enlargement could alter Mokelumne River flows that have been improved to benefit fish, wildlife, and recreation. These improved flows took years to negotiate as part of PG&E's federal hydroelectric license. EBMUD's proposed reservoir enlargements will thwart the decades of work that have gone into making the Mokelumne a more viable recreation resource that will economically benefit foothill communities.

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Please revise the Plan to eliminate the Pardee and Lower Bear Reservoir enlargements. The Plan should focus on increased conservation, recycling, and drought year rationing instead.

Sincerely,

Mr. Thomas Miro

1340 Versailles Ave  
Alameda, CA 94501-4720

**Thomas Miro 1 - Responses to Comment Letter #1 - 3/25/09 (TMi1)**

- TMi1-1. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to expanded reservoirs and new dams. Please also see response Form Letter 3-1.
- TMi1-2. Please see response Form Letter 3-2.
- TMi1-3. Please see response Form Letter 3-3.

From: Friends of the River on behalf of Tara Mueller  
Sent: Tue 3/31/2009 8:20 AM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Mar 31, 2009

Mr. Thomas Francis  
375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

Dear Mr. Francis,

Please do not enlarge the Pardee and Lower Bear reservoirs drowning a segment of the Mokelumne River.

I am an EBMUD customer, and I believe that EBMUD can easily meet its future water needs without enlarging the Pardee or Lower Bear Reservoirs. EBMUD's proposed Water Supply Management Plan is significantly overestimating future demand. In addition, the Plan

substantially underestimates the amount of water that could be produced by reasonable and achievable increases in water conservation, recycling, groundwater storage, and increased rationing during drought years.

The Pardee reservoir enlargement will drown a segment of the Mokelumne River recommended by the BLM for wild and scenic river protection. This section is also popular for kayaking and fishing. The Pardee enlargement would destroy the recently renovated Middle Bar Bridge and other existing and proposed public access facilities, as well as require the costly relocation of the Hwy 49 bridge.

The Lower Bear reservoir enlargement could alter Mokelumne River flows that have been improved to benefit fish, wildlife, and recreation. These improved flows took years to negotiate as part of PG&E's federal hydroelectric license. EBMUD's proposed reservoir enlargements will thwart the decades of work that have gone into making the Mokelumne a more viable recreation resource that will economically benefit foothill communities.

In short, the proposed enlargements are FOOLHARDY and I am strongly opposed to them!

Please revise the Plan to eliminate the Pardee and Lower Bear Reservoir enlargements. The Plan should focus on increased conservation, recycling, and drought year rationing instead.

Sincerely,

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Ms. Tara Mueller  
4 San Carlos Ave  
El Cerrito, CA 94530-4147



## Tara Mueller (TMue)

TMue-1. Please see response Form Letter 3-1.

TMue-2. Please see response Form Letter 3-2.

TMue-3. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the WSMP 2040, and specifically to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Please also see response Form Letter 3-3.

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf Of Tim St  
Sent: Tuesday, March 24, 2009 4:51 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Mar 24, 2009

Mr. Thomas Francis  
375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

Dear Mr. Francis,

Please do not enlarge the Pardee and Lower Bear reservoirs drowning a segment of the Mokelumne River.

I believe that EBMUD can easily meet its future water needs without enlarging the Pardee or Lower Bear Reservoirs. EBMUD's proposed Water Supply Management Plan is significantly overestimating future demand. In addition, the Plan substantially underestimates the amount of water that could be produced by reasonable and achievable increases in water conservation, recycling, groundwater storage, and increased rationing during drought years. Ratepayer funds that EBMUD would spend on implementing the unnecessary flooding of the Mokelumne River should

instead be spent on more aggressive water conservation programs such as those pioneered by water agencies in southern California. I would much

rather see EBMUD become a leader among Bay Area water agencies in water conservation than just another water agency that destroys more river

miles and habitat for the sake of preserving our access to high quality water for what increasingly are wasteful uses. I would much rather pay more for my water now if it meant EBMUD could subsidize replacement of my old wasteful toilet with a low-flush toilet. I would like to see EBMUD do more in this capacity, and I'd appreciate hearing less about EBMUD raising Pardee dam.

The Pardee reservoir enlargement will drown a segment of the Mokelumne River recommended by the BLM for wild and scenic river protection. This

section is also popular for kayaking and fishing. The Pardee enlargement would destroy the recently renovated Middle Bar Bridge and other existing and proposed public access facilities, as well as require the costly relocation of the Hwy 49 bridge.

The Lower Bear reservoir enlargement could alter Mokelumne River flows that have been improved to benefit fish, wildlife, and recreation. These improved flows took years to negotiate as part of PG&E's federal hydroelectric license. EBMUD's proposed reservoir enlargements

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will thwart the decades of work that have gone into making the Mokelumne a more viable recreation resource that will economically benefit foothill communities. It is just not necessary to undo these good and hopeful works.

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Please revise the Plan to eliminate the Pardee and Lower Bear Reservoir enlargements. The Plan should focus on increased conservation, recycling, and drought year rationing instead.

Sincerely,

Mr. Tim St  
639 San Carlos Ave  
Albany, CA 94706-1435

## Tim St 2 - Responses to Comment Letter #2 - 3/24/09 (TSt2)

TSt2-1. Please see response Form Letter 3-1.

TSt2-2. EBMUD supports increased water conservation and has included a high level of conservation in the WSMP 2040. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives.

Please see the responses to SCSFB2-7 and SCSFB2-17 for a discussion of EBMUD's rate pricing structure.

TSt2-3. Please see response Form Letter 3-2.

TSt2-4. Please see response Form Letter 3-3.

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf Of virginie corominas  
Sent: Wednesday, March 18, 2009 11:15 AM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam, allow grey water and police water use instead.

Mar 18, 2009

Mr. Thomas Francis  
375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

Dear Mr. Francis,

Please do not enlarge the Pardee and Lower Bear reservoirs downing a segment of the Mokelumne River.

I see a lot of waste in term of water here, down in the service area. We should allow grey water for residencies, spend money on awareness programs and public education rather than raising a dam that will contain water for who knows how long. Before bringing more water down we have to think about consuming less. How dare people wash their cars or use water to wash their concrete way. This is what we should address!

I believe that EBMUD can easily meet its future water needs without enlarging the Pardee or Lower Bear Reservoirs. EBMUD's proposed Water Supply Management Plan is significantly overestimating future demand. In addition, the Plan substantially underestimates the amount of water that could be produced by reasonable and achievable increases in water conservation, recycling, groundwater storage, and increased rationing during drought years.

The Pardee reservoir enlargement will drown a segment of the Mokelumne River recommended by the BLM for wild and scenic river protection. This section is also popular for kayaking and fishing. The Pardee enlargement would destroy the recently renovated Middle Bar Bridge and other existing and proposed public access facilities, as well as require the costly relocation of the Hwy 49 bridge.

The Lower Bear reservoir enlargement could alter Mokelumne River flows that have been improved to benefit fish, wildlife, and recreation. These improved flows took years to negotiate as part of PG&E's federal hydroelectric license. EBMUD's proposed reservoir enlargements will thwart the decades of work that have gone into making the Mokelumne a more viable recreation resource that will economically benefit foothill communities.

Please revise the Plan to eliminate the Pardee and Lower Bear Reservoir enlargements. The Plan should focus on increased conservation,

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recycling, and drought year rationing instead.

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Sincerely,

Ms. virginie corominas  
1216 66th St  
Berkeley, CA 94702-2616

## Virginie Corominas (VCo)

- VCo-1. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir and Enlarge Lower Bear Reservoir components of the WSMP 2040.
- VCo-2. EBMUD supports increased water conservation and has included a high level of conservation in the WSMP 2040. The alternative development process included an in-depth evaluation of over 50 components and a range of portfolios before the Board selected the Preferred Portfolio. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives.
- Conservation Level D was selected for inclusion in the Preferred Portfolio because it establishes an aggressive conservation goal that is greater than the District's current level of investment and it ensures that the District will continue to be a leader in the demand management aspects of future water supply planning. This effort by EBMUD will continue to include education and outreach to encourage conservation.
- VCo-3. Please see response Form Letter 3-1.
- VCo-4. Please see response Form Letter 3-2.
- VCo-5. Please see response Form Letter 3-3.

From: mfarmer@caltel.com [mailto:mfarmer@caltel.com]  
Sent: Sun 3/15/2009 5:54 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Please drop plans to expand Pardee Reservoir

Dear East Bay MUD and local officials: I urge you to drop your plans to build a new Pardee Dam and expand Pardee Reservoir as part of the EBMUD 2040 water plan.

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\* A new dam will be too expensive for EBMUD ratepayers, provide relatively little new water, and harm miles of the Mokelumne River.

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\* Enlarging Pardee will drown a part of the Mokelumne popular for kayaking and fishing, submerge or require removal of the historic Middle Bar Bridge and river access facilities, inundate cultural resources, require construction of a new Highway 49 bridge, and seasonally inundate nearly a mile of river proposed for National Wild and Scenic River designation by the Bureau of Land Management.

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\* Enlarging Pardee will destroy decades of work and investment by public agencies and local residents to improve recreational use of the Mokelumne River, thwarting local efforts to use the river for economic development.

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\* Creating dead-end roads approaching the river will cut off a critical fire evacuation route for residents of Middle Bar and Gwin Mine roads.

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\* There is no reason to destroy more miles of a popular river and its fish habitat. You can avoid the environmental, social and economic cost by using your water supplies, including the new American River water supply, more efficiently.

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Please leave these miles of the Mokelumne a river for future generations. There is no reason to build a larger dam when EBMUD has already spent nearly \$500,000,000.00 to put in a pipe line and pumping station from the Sacramento River area, and send that water to the bay area.

Vicky Farmer  
2000 Camanche Rd. #92  
Lone, CA. 95640



## Vicky Farmer (VF)

- VF-1. Please see response Form Letter 2-1.
- VF-2. Please see response Form Letter 2-2.
- VF-3. Please see response Form Letter 2-3.
- VF-4. Please see response Form Letter 2-4.
- VF-5. Please see response Form Letter 2-5.
- VF-6. Please see response Form Letter 2-6.

As detailed in the Draft PEIR, the District has determined there is a need for supplemental supply sources of water during a prolonged drought, even given the fact that the District's Freeport Regional Water Project (FRWP) will be in place to meet a portion of the dry-year need. Supplemental supply projects included in the Preferred Portfolio include groundwater storage, desalination, water transfers and expanded surface storage. Supplemental supplies, together with water conservation, water recycling, and EBMUD's supplies derived from the existing FRWP and Mokelumne River facilities create a robust and diverse means of addressing water supply needs during those dry periods. Project-specific impacts, potential ways to mitigate project impacts, and potential partnerships with Foothill water agencies (to provide a local share in the yield derived from expanded storage) will be detailed as part of a project-level EIR, when and if the District decides to move forward with the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Please refer to the Master Response on the WSMP 2040, the Demand Study, the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component, and Program-level EIR analysis for addition details regarding these topics.

From: violet jakab [mailto:violet1@cwnet.com]  
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2009 11:12 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Cc: dnichols@recordnet.com; randy@foothillconservancy.org; jericah.simsiman@yahoo.com;  
bjorn@friendsoftheriver.org; sph@volcano.net  
Subject: EBMUD-Urban Water Management Plan-30 year horizon

Dear Sir,

Attached please find my comments on the above referenced document. Please include me in all the correspondence, public hearings, response to comments as it relates to the CEQA for this document. I assume, you will have to have a 5 year update to your plan with the corresponding CEQA (EIR, MND, ND). We, in the Sierra Foothills in Calaveras County would like to be continuously updated. Thank you!

Violet Jakab, Resident  
PO Box 284  
Mountain Ranch, CA 95246

March 31, 2009

TO: Board of Directors-EBMUD & Thomas B. Francis

### **Comments on EBMUD Urban Water Management Plan-2040 Horizon**

My name is Violet Jakab and I reside at 6396 Old Gulch Road in Calaveras County. I really appreciated EBMUD having had the hearing in San Andreas on March 30th, so the residents of Calaveras County can have an input into the 30 year horizon planning document for water supply within the EBMUD service area. I am a resident, a voter and tax payer in Calaveras for the past 20 years. I am very heavy user of the Mokelumne from Electra to Middle Bar, not only for kayaking, but also for other forms of recreation.

However, to me and to other residents of Calaveras County, this 6 mile of RIVER has to do with a lot more than recreation. To me and many others who live in the Sierra Foothills, not in the East Bay, not in LA, not in San Francisco, the issue of building a new dam with an addition of 33 feet to its height, below Pardee, represents environmental injustice.

If I stay in my front yard in Mountain Ranch and look around me 360 degrees, I can name four dams on the Stanislaus River, three on the Mokelumne and one on the Calaveras River with impounded dead water- but I can only name the Mokelumne from Middle Bar to Electra as a free flowing river easily and safely accessible to all, regardless of age or social and material status. As the citizens of Calaveras County, most of us do not benefit from the waters impounded in those dams, unless we own a boat; which many of us do not. New Melones is for irrigation, Pardee and Comanche if for drinking water for the communities in East Bay.

Beyond recreation, there are many other impacts of raising the Pardee Dam just to name a few: hydrologic impacts to the watershed, impacts to aquatic resources, riparian habitat, vegetation and wildlife.

My comments however, are related to the Urban Water Management Plan (UWMP), specifically to numbers in your plan. EBMUD provides water for 1.2 million (+/-) customers. State Law requires that the you revise your UWMP every five year, with a 30 year horizon, indicating the availability of a secure water supply including drought years.

Your plan indicates the following water uses: (1) single family 46%; (2) commercial 14%; (3) industrial 17%; (4) irrigation 6%; (5) and multi family 17%.

Your total residential component is 68% indoor and 32% outdoor. As you are presenting in your UWMP, **out of 232 MGD total projected demand in 2030 ONLY 14 MGD is recycled water or ONLY 6%!!!**

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The California Water Code, Section 10633 is asking that “the plan shall provide to the extent available, information on recycled water for use as potential water source in the service area of the urban water supplier” The code also states that “the plan shall provide optimizing the use of recycled water in the supplier’s service area, including actions to facilitate the installation of dual distribution system”.

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As the plan indicates, EBMUD serves over 1.2 million customers. The wastewater from these users should be tertiary treated to Title 22 quality water, especially by the year 2030. Recycled water shall be used for parks, greenbelts, playgrounds, school yards, athletic fields, golf courses, cemeteries, residential and commercial landscaping or 32% **which is your outdoor use.**

**Actually, Section 13552.2 of the Water Code requires the State Water Board to adopt a Statewide General Permit for Landscape and Irrigation Uses of Recycled Water by July 31<sup>st</sup>, 2009. So the adoption of this Urban Water Management Plan is just in time to be consistent with the Recycled Water Policy adopted under the State Water Board Resolution No. 2009-0011 on February 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2009. Your plan is not consistent with the California Water Code and with the goals the State is trying to set for water suppliers.**

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You will probably respond that to achieve this goal is too expensive: requires a secondary distribution system (similar to Irvine Ranch Water District) tertiary treatment, chlorination, piping and pumping. To much cost for your rate payers-an amount that can be calculated in 2009 and 2030 dollars. **Would you please respond to me and tell me what is the cost of 6 miles of existing river?** Do you calculated in ACFT/year, million gallons per day (MGD) or drips of water over rocks? Do you measure it in inch, feet or miles?

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As a water supplier, you have to put the available supply for the best and most effective use: but filling a swimming pool, watering a park or golf course washing a car or irrigating a fancy landscape in East Bay is no better use than a child from Calaveras or Amador County swimming and fishing in the Mokelumne or the river providing aquatic resources for habitat in the foothills.

As raised at a prior hearing, the plan, does not identify the amount of sediment deposited beyond Pardee and/or Comanche-a volume that if removed will provide additional water volume without destroying more of the natural resources, Once the dam is built, the watershed is modified for ever for the convenience and use of a few generations!

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Conserving this six mile of the Mokelumne is not “fish” against “people” or “kayak against drinking water”. By selecting the alternative of rising the dam for your long term water supply versus recycling and conservation, and getting votes for this decision from rate payers in East Bay, effectively makes me and my fellow

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citizens in Calaveras and Amador Counties disenfranchised, in other words we don't count- since we do not vote for you, and in a system of representative government such as the US that is not illegal, since you have the water rights, but it is very wrong, very, very wrong!!!

One year ago, with a group of friends, I floated below the Tiger Leaping Gorge of the Yangtze River in south-west China-a river that is currently being dammed-we were the last group of westerners to see this reach of Yangtze as a river. There was an outcry from the Chinese and international conservation community for destroying several Chinese/Tibetan rivers. The Chinese response is that development requires energy. I would never imagine that just one year later, I will be reading the un-thinkable -a plan to raise a dam in my own county, in 2009 –on a river in California, US! What is your excuse? Inexpensive water to be wasted by your rate payers?

Because of the above, I would like to enter in record that we residents of the foothills are against raising Pardee Dam **1** foot, not **33!**

Violet Jakab MS, PE  
6396 Old Gulch Road  
Mountain Ranch  
PO BOX 284 95246  
209-754-5567

## Violet Jakab (VJ)

- VJ-1. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040. Project impacts will be fully examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component.
- VJ-2. Comment acknowledged. This comment does not address the content of the WSMP 2040 PEIR. The commenter is addressing the Urban Water Management Plan (UWMP) which was adopted in 2005 and will be updated in 2010. The District acknowledges the commenter's support for water conservation, water recycling and other soft path projects, as well as the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040, for a discussion of the District's commitment to implementing high levels of water conservation and recycling.
- VJ-3. The UWMP will be updated in 2010, compliant with new legislation.
- VJ-4. As stated in the Master Response on the WSMP 2040, EBMUD will pursue multiple supplemental supply components simultaneously, with the most cost effective and efficient projects being pursued first. Project costs will be fully examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component.
- VJ-5. See answer VJ-1.
- VJ-6. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040.

March 12, 2009

Thomas B. Francis  
EBMUD Water Supply Improvements Division  
375 11<sup>th</sup> Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

Dear Mr. Francis:

I oppose the Pardee Reservoir enlargement proposed in EBMUD's Water Supply Management Plan and Programmatic Environmental Impact Report.

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Building new and raising existing dams are simply too expensive for EBMUD ratepayers. These dam options provide relatively little water and will be harmful to the river.

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The Pardee Reservoir enlargement will drown a segment of the Mokelumne River popular for kayaking and fishing, destroy existing and proposed public access facilities (including the Middle Bar Bridge), require the relocation of the Hwy 49 bridge, and seasonally inundate nearly a mile of the Mokelumne proposed for Wild & Scenic River protection by the Bureau of Land Management.

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EBMUD should more efficiently use its existing water supplies by increasing water conservation and recycling.

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Please inform me of any future decisions EBMUD may make concerning the plan and the proposed Pardee Reservoir enlargement.

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Thank you.

Sincerely:

*Adam Gottstein*  
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## Volcano Press (VP)

- VP-1. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040.
- VP-2. Please see response Form Letter 2-2.
- VP-3. Please see response Form Letter 2-3.
- VP-4. The District acknowledges the commenter's support for water conservation and water recycling. As stated in the Master Response on the WSMP 2040, the District is committed to implementing high levels of water conservation and recycling.
- VP-5. EBMUD has added the commenter's name and contact information to its mailing list and will keep the commenter informed of developments related to the WSMP 2040 and PEIR.



From: Friends of the River on behalf of William Graham  
Sent: Tue 3/17/2009 5:43 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Mar 17, 2009

Mr. Thomas Francis  
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Dear Mr. Francis,

Please do not enlarge the Pardee and Lower Bear reservoirs downing a segment of the Mokelumne River.

I am an avid kayaker and hiker and I have had the pleasure of running the Moke recently.

I believe that EBMUD can easily meet its future water needs without enlarging the Pardee or Lower Bear Reservoirs. EBMUD's proposed Water Supply Management Plan is significantly overestimating future demand. In addition, the Plan substantially underestimates the amount of water that could be produced by reasonable and achievable increases in water conservation, recycling, groundwater storage, and increased rationing during drought years.

The Pardee reservoir enlargement will drown a segment of the Mokelumne River recommended by the BLM for wild and scenic river protection. This section is also popular for kayaking and fishing. The Pardee enlargement would destroy the recently renovated Middle Bar Bridge and other existing and proposed public access facilities, as well as require the costly relocation of the Hwy 49 bridge.

The Lower Bear reservoir enlargement could alter Mokelumne River flows that have been improved to benefit fish, wildlife, and recreation. These improved flows took years to negotiate as part of PG&E's federal hydroelectric license. EBMUD's proposed reservoir enlargements will thwart the decades of work that have gone into making the Mokelumne a more viable recreation resource that will economically benefit foothill communities.

Please revise the Plan to eliminate the Pardee and Lower Bear Reservoir enlargements. The Plan should focus on increased conservation, recycling, and drought year rationing instead.

Sincerely,

Mr. William Graham

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## William Graham (WG)

WG-1. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir and Enlarge Lower Bear Reservoir components of the WSMP 2040.

WG-2. EBMUD recognizes the importance of the Mokelumne River to the local community and appreciates the commenter's support for and enjoyment of recreation opportunities in the Mokelumne River. EBMUD recognizes the many recreational opportunities provided by the Mokelumne River (please see pages 4.2.D-5 through 4.2.D-6 of the Draft PEIR and FC-24).

At this stage, there is no certainty regarding the impacts of the potential Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Please see the Master Response on Program-level EIR analysis. Impacts to recreation will be thoroughly examined in the project-level EIR for this component, when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning. The project-level EIR will also identify specific mitigation measures to reduce significant impacts. Please see the Master Response on the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component.

WG-3. Please see response Form Letter 3-1.

WG-4. Please see response Form Letter 3-2.

WG-5. Please see response Form Letter 3-3.

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Thomas B Francis, PE  
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Dear Mr. Francis :

It has been said that we if do not learn from the lessons of he past, we are doomed to repeat them. In the case of EBMUD proposed Water Supply Management Program 2040 workshop that involves the construction of a New Pardee Dam was anything learned from the Drought Hearings held by the SWRCB in Sacramento on January 29,30, 1991 ?

On page two of the WSMP 2040 Workplan sheet, EBMUD has listed Population Growth, Water Competition, Water Conservation and Drought Planning as items that require a "Need For Water Analysis." This being the case lets examine what was said at the Drought Hearings of January 29, 30, 1991.

#### POPULATION GROWTH

Assemblyman Jim Costa---If the State's population continues to expand, we have been growing by 700,000 people a year. In 1977, when we had our last serious consecutive dry years, California did not have as many people as it has today, and what we have to realize is that many of the advantages that we took at tht time in water conservation and water reclamation have been utilized and, therefore, some of the strategies that we used in 1977 to deal with the drought at that time will not be effective as we look at the state with SIGNIFICANTLY MORE PEOPLE AND MORE DEMAND ON ITS WATER RESOURCES.

Carl Boronkay---General Manager of Metropolitan Water District---Obviously we have had substantial growth. A secure water supply became the policy of Southern California. Subsequently this policy of water security, however, was lost at some point. Our population is increasing by approximately 300,000 people a year. Now putting together population growth and the current demand and no progress in a firm water supply, indeed the reduction of a firm water supply, we are getting into a desperate situation. We have a formula for recurrent major water shortages. PEOPLE TAKE WATER FOR GRANTED THEY CANNOT DO SO ANYMORE.

Mary Ann Warnderdam---California Farm Bureau Everyone is aware of the population increase and the concerns over a lack of infrastructure.

Jim Collin for Senator Vuich---Urban population versus world population needs to be looked at carefully. Unfortunately, it is a great inconvenience and has aesthetic problems when the urban population loses water.

Assembly Knowles --We are looking at UNPRECEDENTED POPULATION, which not only shift growth in the State of California, which simply tells us that we may be back to the same meeting five or ten years hence with all of our present storage capacity full wondering how on earth we are going to decide the LIMITED RESOURCES that we have we are going to divide the limited resources that we have at our disposal for all of the new thirsty lips that we have to service in the State of California.

Fred Starrh--Member Board of Directors of Kern Water Agency--We have increased from 20 to 30 million people and we are looking at the results of that today. CONSERVATION IS NOT GOING TO GET THE JOB DONE.

I would like put into the record what a member of the public said on page 108 January 30, 1991 in the minutes of this Drought Hearing. It captured so well the subject of population growth " I wish to call to your attention that is a problem that aggravates the water supply and is exacerbated by drought, is the population growth that is outstripping the water supply. This phrase is recurring more and more frequently in the news media. A review of this frequency is in order.

January 7, 1990, Roseville Press Tribune: California's Population and its need for water and space have combined with the drought to create what is truly a natural disaster says a State report.

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January 8, 1990, Christian Science Monitor reported: The State's average inflow of 600,000 new residents a year over the 1980's has accelerated many communities' already tenuous fresh water supply.

September 4, 1990, Sacramento Union: But population in California increased by 6.5 million between 1977 and 1989, in addition to limited agricultural growth. Both put greater demands on water supply which has not increased at the same pace of growth.

And finally, November 26, 1990, San Mateo Times reported: And even after the State gets out of the current drought, California's problems aren't over. The population explosion is straining the basic system.

Population control measures such as restriction of immigration into the United States should be implemented. Unlimited outside immigration from foreign countries into the United States most often results in California receiving more people than it can now provide water resulting in less water for everybody.

One measure, in lieu of the drought and future ongoing droughts is to request our State legislature to pass a resolution calling on the United States Congress to enact more restrictive immigration controls. Now I don't think you're going to do that. I hoped you would, but what I've done is put it into the record, and later it can be called upon as to why wasn't something done on this Board to help mitigate our population problem here in California."

Measures to control POPULATION GROWTH, the DRIVING ENGINE FOR ALL OF THE ABOVE is assiduously OMITTED. WHY IS THIS ?

## WATER COMPETITION

EBMUD listing of water competition recognizes that other entities are also competing for the limited water supply. Those other water competition entities that spoke at the Drought Hearings were 1. Agriculture 2. Environment and the Bay-Delta 3. Municipal and Industrial and 4. Preservation of Senior Water Rights All expressed alarm that their access to water would be pre-empted by the needs of Municipal and Industrial Community, driven, of course, by unabated immigration population growth.

### 1. AGRICULTURE

Jim Sorensen--Kings River Water District--Historically it seems to me that domestic uses have had number one priority, irrigation for agriculture second priority and now it seems to me there is a distortion that has crept into that over the years and it comes under the term municipal and I now see Municipal and Industrial repeatedly.

Joseph Marcotte, Jr. CEO for Modesto Irrigation District--We do not believe that household use includes industry, parks, golf courses, landscaping.

Anton Karatan--Representating Kern/Tulare Water District---We don't quarrel with the mandate that priorities be geared to health and safety of people even though it places a tremendous financial burden on our agriculture. Any further shift in agriculture to municipal or industrial uses of other than health and safety, would simply amount to favoring one industry of the state over another.

Tom Johnson--Attorney for Mendocino County/Russian River Flood Control---The industries (farms) of Northern California that are water dependent, we just can't do without water.

Assemblyman Jim Costa--Rhetoric of the type that simply suggests that water can be taken from farmers, which, in fact, they don't have, and given to city dwellers, is political posturing of the worst kind.

Arnold Rummelsberg--speaking for the Board of Directors of the Wheeler Ridge-Maricop Water Storage District--We believe the Delta criteria should be re-examined.

WENDELL PEART'S OBSERVATION---The farmers located in the San Joaquin Valley in 1991 need water which they can't get because M&I have a higher priority than they.

### 2. ENVIRONMENT & BAY-DELTA

Gary Thomas--National Heritage Institute--There is no reason to believe that the fish and

other biota can tolerate a further reduction of fresh water without losses that may be irretrievable, and the key word is irretrievable. We submit there is not an alternative to fresh water in the estuary, if we are going to sustain its existing levels. One lesson that is clear beyond any question in environmental management is once you lose the resource, you can kiss it goodbye. **IF THE BOARD DOES NOT HONOR THE BAY-DELTA GUARANTEES, THEN IT CAN LIKE WISE NOT HONOR SENIOR WATER RIGHTS. IT GOES TO THE STATE'S CONSTITUTION, THE MOST BENEFICIAL USES.**

The one thing we do know that this estuary has been in a if not perpetual frequent state of drought due to the water diversions and it just can't take much more.

Howard Wright, former State and Regional Board Member---It might be reasonable to look at taking the City of Los Angeles right to use water from the Delta until they begin to take conservation seriously.

Lori Griggs--Executive Director of the Committee for Water Policy Committee---We have been gambling through this first four years of drought while our environment has been losing. Now it's time to pay the piper, and it looks like the water purveyors are looking to pay the piper by relaxing Delta water quality standards so more water can be taken from this already overtapped source. We oppose the relaxation of Delta standards. The environment has little more to give to save an accelerated decline to the threshold of extinction....The present system is weighted against the Bay-Delta Estuary even in normal years, bearing a disproportionate burden of this drought.

Assemblyman David Kelly--Any kind of barriers that are placed in the Delta to prohibit any saltwater intrusion from the tidal action, give that serious consideration because we simply cannot afford to have any more salts included in the water than we have right now.

Austin Nelson--Contra Costa Water District---The primary reason for suggesting relaxation of Delta requirements is that it will conserve available water supply for other uses.

Fred Bold--Represents City of Antioch and Oakley Water District--All uses of water, however beneficial, including the protection of fish and making money, are subordinate to the primary objective of protecting public health. **WE CANNOT ALLOW SALINITY TO INTRUDE INTO THE DELTA.**

Gary Thomas---National Heritage Institute--At present the facilities for diverting water from the estuary provides physical limits to diversion in times of drought in that beyond a certain volume the pumps begin to suck up sea water.

The willingness of the environmental community to entertain paper substitutes for these physical constraints hinge quite directly upon their level of confidence in the Board's administration of the existing paper guarantees that is the current Delta standards. Suspension of these standards by the Board will seriously undermine the possibilities that environmentalists will be willing to entertain innovative water management alternatives some of which are of interest to the water exporters and the Board and are under



consideration as you probably know in a tripartite set of discussion that are now underway.

The significance of the Board's drought response as a precedence that will shape the interested parties position toward the larger water management issues of the future really cannot be overstated.

Assemblyman Cortesse--Interested in protection of San Francisco Bay and the Delta--I think you ought to, first, distinguish between who is the most important, the fish or the people.

Barry Nelson--Executive Director of Save San Francisco Bay Association--More and more evidence shows that the entire ecosystem of the largest estuary on the West Coast is collapsing because of excess diversions.

3. MUNICIPAL--Those championing Municipal needs state unequivocally that the NEEDS of those in the municipalities should have the HIGHEST PRIORITY regarding access to water. Does this include EBMUD ?

Peter Rogers--Chief of the Office of Drinking Water for the Dept. of Health Services--We believe the provisions of water for municipal and domestic use should be a top priority.

Arnold Rommelsburg--Wheeler Ridge-Maricop Water Storage District--We believe the Delta criteria should be re-examined.

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Assemblyman Dominic Cortesse---The protection of drinking water for nearly 30 million residents should be your primary consideration.

Assemblyman Phil Issenberg---I think you must ultimately give a fundamental principle of water that is perhaps implicit in our discussion, but which bears repeating and that is the first and foremost, life-preserving use of water for people is after all the fundamental and starting point for the water system in California.

4. WATER RIGHTS PERSERVATION (Senior Water Rights)

Water Rights do compete with other entities such as the demands of the environment and needs of cities for water much of which comes from areas that have had senior water rights long before population growth put demand on the cities to provide more water for their burgeoning population growth. The fear of loss of these senior water rights is couched in language suggestive of possible litigation if such rights are compromised..

Aldo Sansone---The water rights on my farm were passed to my family by a previous generation. Our forefathers agreed with the Bureau on an exchange of our water from the San Joaquin River for water from the Delta-Mendota Canal. The Bu has upheld this contract as good steward of California water. It is staggering to see that others may now lay claim to my water rights.

Jim Sorenson--Kings River water District--A Small Water District. I would like to note



that this district has pre-1914 and riparian rights and relies on the schedule on Kings River to back those up.

Joseph Marcotte Jr. We don't believe you should force us to deliver water involuntarily

Mr. Claggs--We oppose setting aside of water rights by the State Board

Geogre Bayse--The Board should also not attempt to tamper with riparian right or priority systems

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Allen Garcia--Represents Calif. Advisory Committee Please Do Not Fool With Our Water Rights.

Robt. Katz--Stanford Ranch Irrigation Co.--We ask the Board to help us out by leaving us alone and respecting our rights.

San Juan Suburban Water District---We are very concerned about protection of our adjudicated water rights which were originally appropriated back in 1854 and adjudicated in 1890, so we are talking about water rights that are 100 years old this year and we are very protective of those.

Aldo Sansone--It goes against the fiber of every free enterprise system to remove a property right from a farmer of annual crops and give that property to another.

WATER CONSERVATION is also listed by EBMUD as a need for water analysis. Suggested measures put forth at this drought hearing to conserve water were:

1. Low flush toilets
2. Madatory water rationing
3. Water transfers
4. Water reclamation
5. A 25 % reduction in municipal use
6. Local farmers to share available water supplies with their neighbors
7. Authorize staff to develop emergency drought project in the ground water basin to development water supplies without ground water
8. Recovery of water banked in the ground water basin in prior years through rehabilitation of existing wells
9. Voluntary transfer from areas of plentiful water to areas deficient of water
10. Limits on agricultural production
11. Mandatory transfer of water
12. Use reclaimed water for dust control, soil compaction, cement mixing, charge under ground aquifers
13. Landscapping--Plant low water consuming drought resistant plant material
14. Cut back or curtail production of certain water intensive annual crops.

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Aldo J. Sansone, a Director of the San Luis Canal Company summarized best the above

### Conservation Measures

"Any body that thinks conservation alone is the answer to the water needs of California is really joking himself."

The above list upon analysis reveal that these measures, although meritorious in the LONG RUN, are only a stop gap measures as they do not address the issue of the on going POPULATION GROWTH.

Don't you find it strange that EBMUD lists Water Conservation under the heading THE SOLUTION as one of the solutions to the water needs but for whatever reason ignore what Aldo J. Sansone said: " Anybody that thinks conservaton alone is the answer to the water needs of California is really joking himself."

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Carl Boronkay, General Manager of Metropolitan Water District. statement: "We (Metropolitan Water District) have a forumula for recurrent MAJOR (bold print mine) water shortage". is probably true of the whole state and should be taken seriously by EBMUD.

Measures to control Population Growth, the DRIVING ENGINE FOR ALL OF THE ABOVE, is assiduously OMITTED.  
Don't you find this strange ? Why is this ?

DROUGHT PLANNING was listed as another item under "Need For Water Analysis" Only one plan was put forth and that was enthusiastically received by those in attnedance. The following is a comment entered into the record as to the failure of the State not having in place a Drought Plan

Lori Riggs, Executive Director of the Committee for Water Policy Consensus at this Drought Conference stated.

"California needs a drought policy and contingency plan. It is shortsighted not to have thought proactively about these things and to have policies and plans in place to help see us through this natural type of disaster."

When a Drought Safety Standard Plan was offered at the Drought Hearing on January 30, 1991. It appears, EBMUD as well as the SWRCB, remained impassive over this meritorious suggestion that would help ameliorate the rigors of drought years.

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.For EBMUD to list conservation as one of the solutions is inded a cruel joke to play upon the public.

Sure in the short run conservation will bye time but conservation does nothing to address the root problem which is population growth exacerbated by immigration.

Karen Garrison of the Natural Resurces Defense Council "We are faced with consequences of the Board's (SWRCB) failure to adopt an affirmative strategy and the legacy is water management policies by the major projects that have failed to plan adequately for an extended drought.

By creating more water storage is EBMUD postpoing the water supply only to make it worse ? Is there a limit to what California resources can support?

Lets examine the NEW PROBLEMS that EBMUD and other like agencies are creating by creating more water storage. Such building projects may be good in the short run by providing water for the increased population, creating jobs and so forth but they also create something more that is over looked in todays era of dininishing resources. The new dams that provide water for the new population also create a demand for more food to feed the population now being served by the dams. But is there enough food to feed the increased population ?

The American farmer can only produce so much food and that food is now in short supply due to the many people consuming more than the farmer can produce. Corn production is a perfect example. More and more people are pouring into California and the United States drawing down such resources as fossil fuel making the U.S. dependent on foreign oil. The U.S. in an effort, to rid the nation of its dependency on foreign oil, has embarked on a program of substituting ethanol for oil. Because so much corn has been used in the manufacturing of ethanol, the corn supply is now in short supply resulting in sky rocketing prices for corn and allied products. Population growth, sustained by the water supply stored by dams, only exacerbates the supply of agricultural products. The population in the United States is soaring because of immigration, (see enclosed graph that illustrates that at the present rate of growth due to immigratin, the U.S. will have ONE BILLION people in the year 2075). but the agriculture production is not able to keep up with the increasing demand.

Agriculture interests may well counter that dams add to the well being to the society by providing the water necessary for agriculture production. This is true in of itself but as the Ag community discovered that in times of drought, it was Agriculture that had to do with out water so that the increased population served by dams would not do with out water. Remember what Jim Sorensen of the Kings River water District said: "Historically it seems to me that domestic uses have had number one priority, irrigation second priroity."

EBMUD efforts to provide more storage is correct but here again a new dam only byes more time. Remember Comanche and Pardee Dams were built for water storage to accomodate population growth and now EBMUD wants to build another dam to accomodate still more population growth. And so it goes on and on but now it is different, California and the nation are running out of natural resources. Building more dams means more people who in turn have to be fed but is there enough food to feed the ever increasing populaiton ? On this subject the EBMUD officials remain silent, yet their push for another dam does not answer the problem of hunger it only increases the demand. The increasing population have to have housing and guess what agriculture land is taken out of production in order to build houses and this on some of the most productive Ag land in the world. Witness the Ag land being used up just north of Sacramento City that is being built over with a plethora of houses.

The question poised by one of your fellow water colleagues; namely, Bob Reid, 1990

General Manager of the El Dorado County Water Agency, is deserving of an answer. Reid said. "There is a limit to the number of people California water resources can support. No one has quantified that limit. Perhaps someone should? Don't you find it strange that the officials of EBMUD remain silent as to the question: "Is there a limit to the number of people California resources can support?"

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In conclusion I have three recommendations for the vexing problem of the ever increasing limited supply of water now before EBMUD.

1. Please address Bob Reid's, 1990 General Manager of the El Ddorado County Water Agency question. What are the limits to the number of people California water resources can support ? This formula should help EBMUD also determine what your agency role in this problem should be.

2. Adopt a Drought Safety Standard

I was invited to present a paper Drought Safety Standard at the Growth Management Council on July 25, 1991 sponsored by Governor Pete Wilson. (supporting document enclosed) The following is what I put into the record that day and I pass it on for you to seriously consider.

#### Drought Safety Standards

Water purveyors that furnish water to counties, cities, municipalities, and unincorporated areas whose supply source such as dam impoundments or who obtain water from rivers and streams that are supplied by dams will distribute water according to the Drought Standard Formula.

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This standard statewide water allocation is to ensure an adequate water supply during reoccurring drought cycles is based on a family of 5 using one acre foot of watr per year that is available in the reservoir over a four year dry period. A dry period would be a period that equaled or exceeded the drought tht occurred from 1928 to 1933.

Nothing in this section will prevent a water purveyor from selling or allowing a transfer of water to another area whose supply source is deficient relative to the definition of the Drought Standard.

The implementation of this act will be under the direction of the State Water Resource Control Board. The present local county and city building departments will represent the Department of Water Resource Control Bord in the issuance of building permits relative to the Drought Standard Formula.

The Board will apportion the availabe water in the following proportion 80% Agriculture and 20% Municipal use that will include domestic, municipal, commercial, land industrial use.

For example if a 4 year low average of a reservoir is 500,000 acre feet, then the allocation

would be for agriculture 400,000 acre feet or 80% and 100,000 acre feet for municipal or 20 %. Since the municipal use is composed of four components:

1. Municipal (municipal, government, state and federal government) 2. Domestic (homes) 3. Commercial and 4. Industrial. These entities must share the available water that would support 500,000 people.

The Board through its transfer authority can add additional water to an area needing it or with draw surplus water from an area that is in excess to keep in balance the final 80% to 20% ratio of water distribution for the whole state.

Nothing in this section will supercede the state and federally mandated environmental use for water.

This briefly is an outline or guide that can be hammered out as one of the measures that ought to be adopted by EBMUD to help unlock the knotty problem of a shrinking water supply.

3. Petition the U.S. Government to adopt the Placer County Immigration Reform Resolution (copy enclosed)

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This Immigration Reform Resolution addresses the population growth of the United States (see enclosed immigration graph) by calling on the U. S. Congress to do the following: 1. Reduce legal immigration to 300,000 persons per year, 2. Secure United States borders through legislative authorization and 3. Effective enforcement of employer sanctions..

The preamble of this praiseworthy resolution says in part: Whereas California's population growth continues to contribute to environmental degradation and pollution and Whereas, California population growth has already outstripped the state's finite water resources--- pretty much sums up what we water consumers are up against in California.

On June 16, 1991, Dan Walters, columnist for the Sacramento Bee summed up so well the inaction of such entities as the SWRCB and EBMUD when he wrote: "the two most powerful components of population growth in California, foreign immigration and a very high birth rate continue unabated."

All I can say is after all this effort on my part, I know that nothing will be done by either of your Boards, so why the undertaking. The only good as I see it is as I said at the Drought Hearings on January 30, 1991: "what I've done is put into the record, and later it can be called upon as to why wasn't something done of this Board (SWRCB) to help mitigate our population problem here in California. This is a problem that has not been recognized and has never been addressed."

That was was over 18 years and nothing has changed, except the situation is more so today.



Respectfully submitted



Wendell G Peart, DVM, Former Member Amador Water Resources Advisory  
Committee

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Dan Stein, F.A.I.R.  
Peter Brimelow, Forbes  
Interested Persons

# Before the Board of Supervisors County of Placer, State of California

In the matter of:

A RESOLUTION REVISING  
RESOLUTION 92-250 IN  
SUPPORT OF LIMITATION OF  
IMMIGRANTS INTO THE  
UNITED STATES.

Resol. No: 93-248

Ord. No: .....

First Reading: .....

The following RESOLUTION was duly passed by the Board of Supervisors  
of the County of Placer at a regular meeting held August 3, 1993  
by the following vote on roll-call:

Ayes: FERREIRA, LICHAU, UHLER, BLOOMFIELD, OZENICK

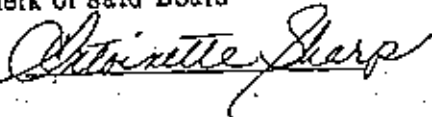
Noes: NONE

Absent: NONE

Signed and approved by me after its passage.

  
Chairman, Board of Supervisors

Attest:  
Clerk of said Board



WHEREAS, California's population increased by over 6 million, or 24 percent, during the 1980's, to its current total of 30 million; and

WHEREAS, fifty percent of California's population growth from 1980 to 1990 was due to legal and illegal immigration; and

WHEREAS, California has been the leading state of residence for new immigrants every year since 1976, and currently receives a third of all immigrants who come to the United States; and

WHEREAS, California population is projected to increase to 35 million by the year 2000, 43 million by 2020, and 48 million by 2035; and

WHEREAS, California's population growth continues to contribute to environmental degradation and pollution; and



PETE WILSON  
GOVERNOR

# State of California

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July 25, 1991

Mr. Wendell Peart  
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Dear Mr. Peart:

I am writing to confirm your appearance at a hearing in the City of Sacramento hosted by the Governor's Interagency Council on Growth Management. This hearing is scheduled for Wednesday, July 31 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. in the City Council Chambers located at 915 I Street.

The Growth Management Council appreciates your interest in testifying on the important growth issues facing this region, as well as those of the State. Your input will help the Council in the formulation of recommendations that it will present to Governor Wilson later this year.

Please find enclosed a list of the various panels of witnesses that are to appear at this hearing, including the approximate time that you are scheduled to testify. As we have a full agenda, it is requested that comments be limited to seven minutes. To maintain a record, the Council would also appreciate a written copy of your testimony. Please mail your comments to the attention of the undersigned at the Governor's Office of Planning and Research.

In addition, approximately 10-15 copies should be made available at the hearing for the Growth Management Council panel members and staff.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to call me.

Sincerely,

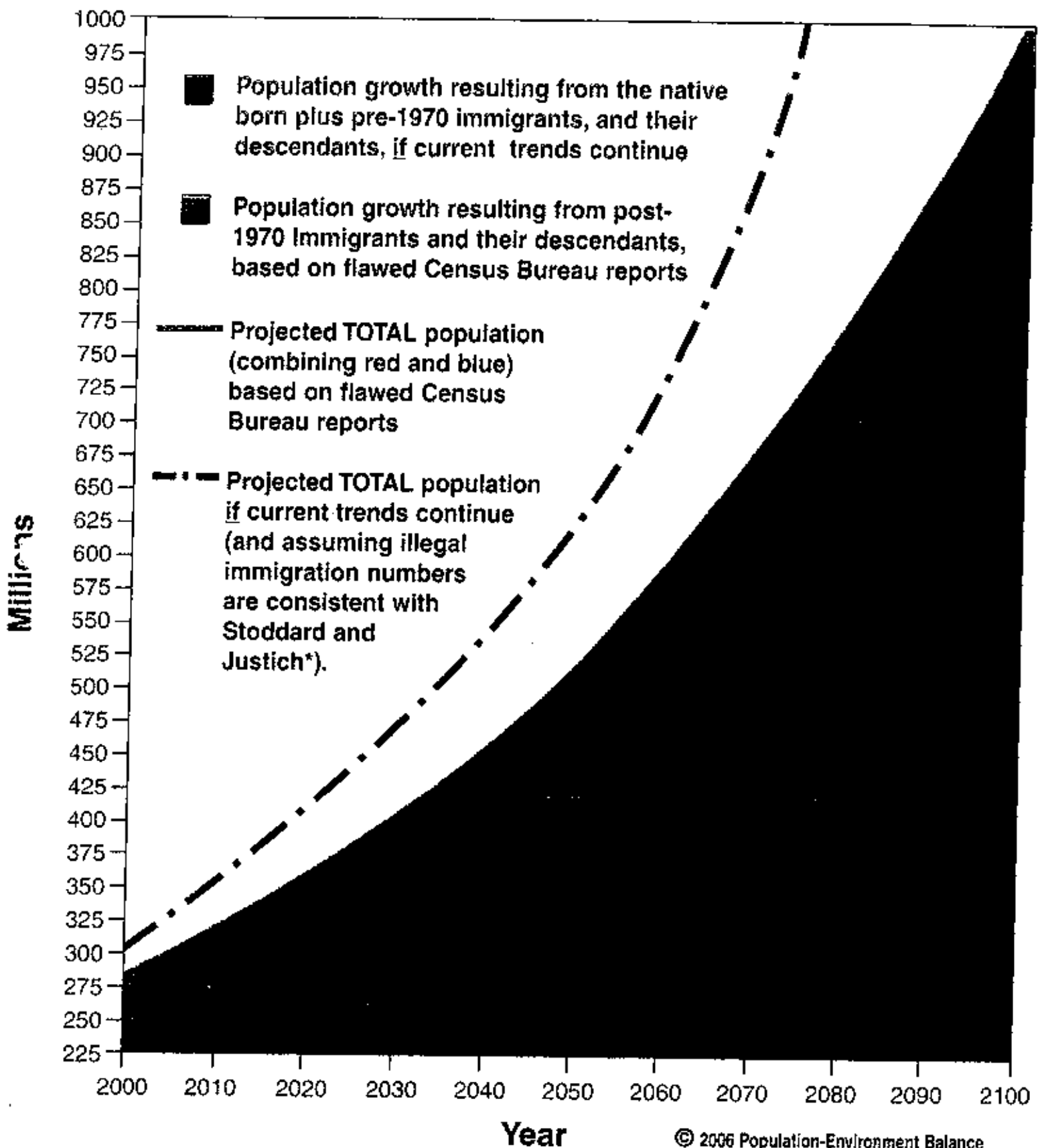
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# U.S.A. - One Billion in 2075

## Current Trend of U.S. Population Growth



DROUGHT SAFETY STANDARDS AND IMMIGATION REFORM

PLANNING TOOLS FOR EBMUD WATER PROBLEMS

BY

WENDELL G. PEART, DVM

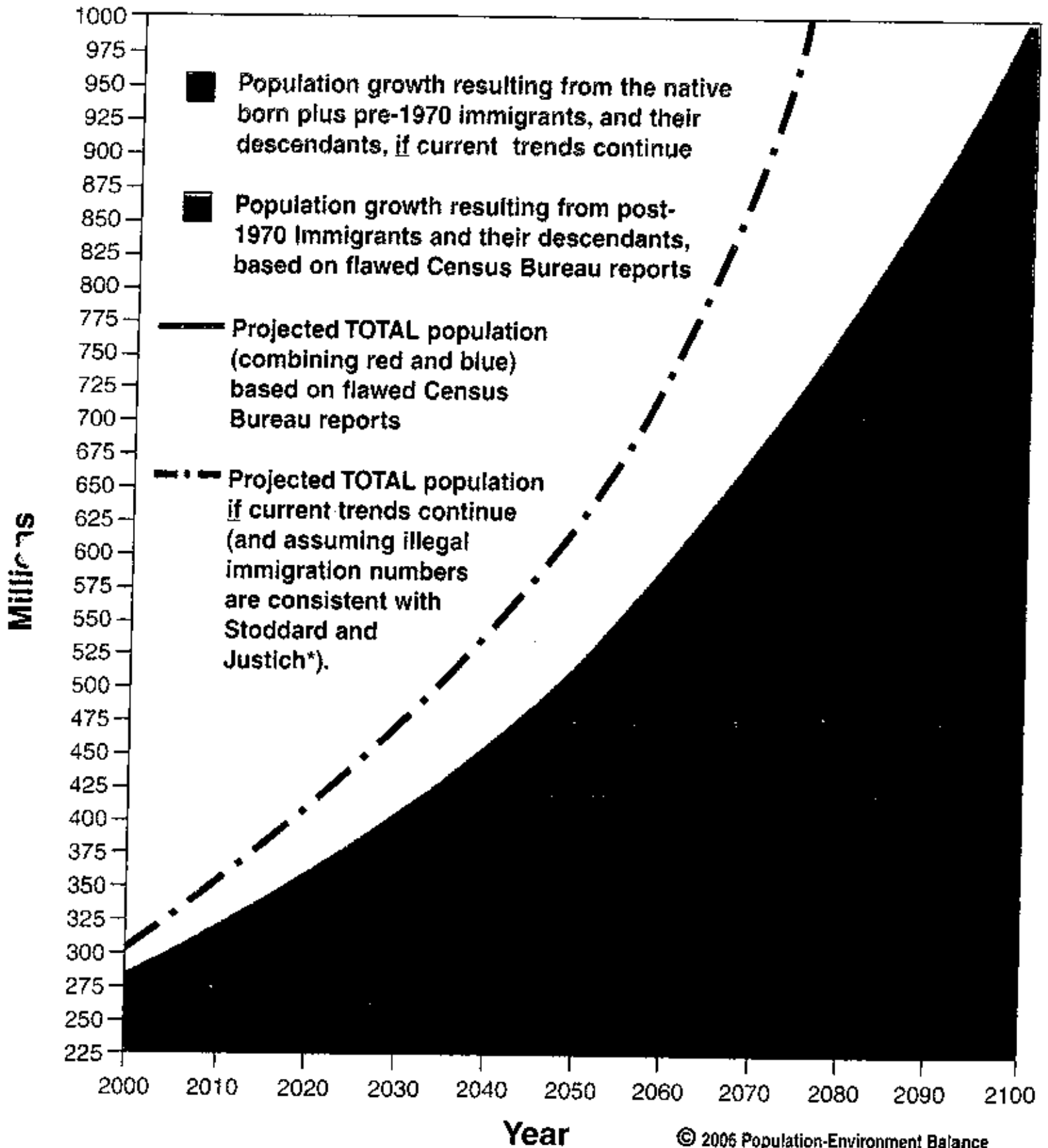
BEFORE

THE AMADOR COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

APRIL 24, 2009

# U.S.A. - One Billion in 2075

## Current Trend of U.S. Population Growth



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## Population Projections: Trends and Explanations September, 2006

- The upper dotted line represents the projected population growth of the United States. Data points through 2005 are based on the USCIS Yearbook of Immigration Studies for 2000-2005 plus an estimated number of illegal aliens. The totals are congruent with several estimates\* of up to 30 million illegal aliens in the United States [compared to the Census Bureau estimate of 12 million]. The trend indicated by joining the data points 2000 and 2005 indicate that the **RATE OF GROWTH IS INCREASING**.
- Extrapolation indicates that the time for the U.S. population to double is approximately 50 years, which represents a growth rate of 1.4% annually.
- Not so long ago, the time for the U.S. population to double was 70 years. The shortening of the doubling time would indicate that the **rate of growth is increasing**. Even on a logarithmic scale, the dotted line would be bending upward. The slope based on the expectation that the rate of growth will continue to increase yields a nightmare scenario of an estimated population of 500 million by 2026, and 1 billion by 2075.
- The red section represents the projected population growth resulting from post-1970 immigrants and their offspring. This line uses the most recent Center for Immigration Studies (CIS) estimate, which indicates that legal and illegal immigration and the offspring of post-1970 immigrants presently accounts for nearly 90% of U.S. population growth. Legal immigration accounted for approximately two-thirds of this growth in the past decade and about half of that growth in recent years. Under current law and enforcement assumptions, mass immigration will generate more than 90% of the total U.S. population growth in the 21st century.
- The blue section represents the projected population growth resulting from pre-1970 immigrants and the native born and their offspring. Without post-1970 immigration, we would be on track to stabilize our population in approximately the next 30 years.

NOTE THAT Census Bureau consistently underestimates and has had to revise population size upward after each of the last few censuses. Upward revisions apparently still do not capture all of the growth, as revealed by discrepancies with the Census Bureau's own American Community Survey. See comparison before and after the year 2000 census.

The American Community Survey is a new annual version of the Federal Census Bureau's long-form questionnaire designed to capture the nation's demographic profile in a timelier moving picture, rather than a once-a-decade snapshot.

- The following is the basis for the Year 2000 data points:

Revised Census Bureau corrected by data from the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS): 301 million

Revised Census Bureau figures: 282 million

Unrevised Census Bureau figures [published before 10-year census results]: 276 million

Population from pre-1970 immigrants and native-born: approximately 225 million

### Consequences of Continued U.S. Population Growth:

- One acre of farmland or wild land lost for every person added.
- 25.56 barrels of oil consumed annually for every person added.
- 12,331 kilowatt-hours of electricity consumed annually for every person added.
- 1,932 cubic meters of water withdrawn annually from aquifers for every person added.

\*Stoddard, David J. "Testimony Submitted to U.S. Subcommittee on Criminal Justice, Drug Policy and Human Resources." Representative Mark Souder, Chairman February 22, 2002.....Justich, Robert, Ng, Betty. "The Underground Labor Force Is Rising to the Surface." New York, Bear Stearns Asset Management, January 3, 2005.....Corsi, Jerome and Gilchrist, Jim. "Minutemen: That Battle to Secure America's Borders" NewsMax, 2006.

## Wendell Peart (WP)

- WP-1. EBMUD acknowledges that the commenter views statements made and/or testimony provided by various attendees of a 1991 Drought Hearing as conducted by the State Regional Water Quality Control Board warrant revisiting in the context of his review of EBMUD's Draft PEIR.
- WP-2. Statements were made at the above-referenced 1991 Drought Hearing regarding population growth in California and its potential to impact California's Need for Water. The commenter concludes by stating that EBMUD has ignored including controls to population growth as part of the WSMP 2040. EBMUD, as a special district, does not have the authority to make land use decisions. That authority lies in the hands of the representatives of the communities and the counties EBMUD serves. Please see the Master Response on the Demand Study for a discussion of demand assumptions and projections.
- WP-3. The commenter noted that statements were made at the above-referenced 1991 Drought Hearing regarding competition for water between a number of entities including agriculture, the environment, municipal and industrial, and senior water rights holders. EBMUD acknowledges that there continues to be competition for the State's limited water resources. EBMUD has developed a diverse Preferred Portfolio as part of WSMP 2040 and in doing so, was well aware that continued competition plays a significant factor in the need for such diversity. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives.
- WP-4. Potential water conservation measures were discussed at the above-mentioned 1991 Drought Hearing. The commenter concludes that the testimony had merit in repeating, and he concludes by stating that conservation in his view is only a stop gap measure as compared with placing limits on population growth. EBMUD has developed an aggressive conservation program as part of WSMP 2040. As noted in response WP-2, EBMUD does not have the legal authority to limit population growth and/or development within the EBMUD service area. Please refer to the Master Response prepared for the Demand Study for additional information regarding the estimated Need for Water. In addition, for a discussion of the conservation measures included in the Preferred Portfolio, please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040.
- WP-5. The commenter notes that drought planning was considered by EBMUD in the context of the Need for Water analysis performed as part of WSMP 2040. EBMUD acknowledges that such was the case. The commenter continues to provide testimony as given during the above-mentioned 1991 Drought Hearing on the topic of drought planning, stating that water conservation would not prove successful in the long run, and that population growth limits are needed. As noted in Response WP-2, EBMUD does not have the legal authority to limit population growth and/or development within the EBMUD service area. EBMUD therefore must develop future water demand estimates and as based on a Need for Water assessment, address drought planning needs. Please refer to the Master Response prepared for the Demand Study for additional information regarding the estimated Need for Water. In addition, for a discussion of the inclusion of

water conservation measures included in the Preferred Portfolio, please refer to the Master Response developed for WSMP 2040.

WP-6. The commenter states that EBMUD, by constructing additional surface storage, will create and/or aggravate problems he attributes to being caused by water supply limitations. A program-level review of possible impacts and associated mitigation measures (if identified at the program-level) is provided in Chapters 4 and 5 of the Draft PEIR. Please see the Master Response on Program-level EIR analysis. Project impacts related to surface storage projects will be thoroughly evaluated in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with any such projects.

WP-7. The commenter concludes by asking that EBMUD address three matters of concern to him. First, he asks that EBMUD provide a response to a question as posed by Eldorado County Water Agency at the above-referenced 1991 Drought Hearing regarding the maximum California population as based on water resource limits. EBMUD's WSMP 2040 effort is not, by definition, intended to address such a question. EBMUD has, however, addressed the Need for Water as identified for the EBMUD service area through the year 2040. That need can be addressed via the implementation of the WSMP 2040 Preferred Portfolio. Please see the Master Response on the Demand Study for a discussion of demand assumptions and projections.

Secondly, the commenter states that EBMUD should adopt a drought safety standard, and offers as an example testimony he provided on the topic at the above-referenced 1991 Drought Hearing. EBMUD agrees that drought planning is an important activity that must be undertaken. WSMP 2040 was embarked upon in order to adequately safeguard against supply shortfalls during said times. Please refer to the Master Response prepared for WSMP 2040 for additional discussion.

Thirdly, the commenter asks that EBMUD petition the U.S. government to adopt the Place County Immigration Reform Resolution. EBMUD's WSMP 2040 addresses matters pertinent to the District's water supply. EBMUD views a request to ask the U.S. government to address immigration reforms as a matter separate from WSMP 2040 and is not a comment to the WSMP 2040 Draft PEIR.

From: myyeemail [mailto:myyeemail@yahoo.com]  
Sent: Monday, April 06, 2009 6:36 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: EBMUD

Dear EBMUD,

Due to the unfair cost distribution formulas in the new proposed 4 or 5 tier system, we would like to maintain the current 3-tier system of fees for water usage.



Yee  
1117 Hillcrest Drive  
Lafayette, CA 94549

## Yee (Ye)

Ye-1. Comment acknowledged. Please see the response to SCSFB2-17 for a discussion of EBMUD's rate pricing structure.



From: Yvonne Wood [mailto:marie944@hotmail.com]  
Sent: Tue 4/28/2009 9:18 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: WSMP 2040

Dear Mr. Francis,

Please consider the Preferred Portfolio for WSMP 2040. As a resident in San Ramon Valley, customer and concerned citizen, I want our water options/future plans kept open!

Thank you.

Yvonne Wood

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**Yvonne Wood (YW)**

YW-1. Comment acknowledged. The comment expresses support for the WSMP 2040 Preferred Portfolio and does not address the adequacy of the PEIR.

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#### **Public Meeting #1, Lodi**

March 16, 2009 1:30 - 3:00 pm  
Lodi Police Dept. Community Room  
215 W. Elm Street, Lodi, CA 95242

#### **EBMUD Attendees**

EBMUD Board of Directors Katy Foulkes  
Mike Tognolini, Tom Francis, Gerald Schwartz

#### **Project Team Attendees**

David Blau, Marcia Tobin, Yanna McLaughlin

#### **Public Attendees**

Chuck Easterling, Rancher  
Kitty Walker, City of Stockton Redevelopment  
Cynthia Marsh, City of Stockton Redevelopment  
Richard & Rose Baines  
Alan MacIsaac, MokelumneRiver.com  
Steve Scott  
Ross Farrow, Lodi News - Sentinel  
Jean Tarabek, Mokelumne Coast to Crest Trail  
Chanel Murray for Assembly Member Alyson Huber  
Lindsay Reed for Assembly Member Alyson Huber  
Andy Christensen, WID  
John Wookey, WID  
John Lambie, e-pur  
Mark Ackerman, BLM  
Steve Johnson, Delta Fly Fishers  
Ronald Forbes, Delta Fly Fishers  
Patt Pereira, Campo Seco  
Griselda & Lansing Waters, Paloma Church  
Robert Evan  
Brandon Nakagawa, SJ Co. Pub. Works  
Steve Mayo, SJ County HCP  
Anne Marie Castillon, SJ County HCP  
Ed Steffani  
Katie Patterson, SJ Farm Bureau  
John Green, San Joaquin East Water District  
McIllyth, SJ Co Pub. Works  
Paul Lynch, Stockton



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### Presentation

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<http://www.ebmud.com/water & environment/water supply/water supply management program/default.htm>

### Public questions and comments

Commenter	Comment	Comment #
Chuck Easterling Rancher	If Pardee & Lower Bear are raised, would there be additional water rights? Would there be Water allocations for Amador County? This is an opportunity for local partnerships.	1
	Mokelumne River flows have been set at 250cfs for a long time as a minimum. Would there be a different requirement for EBMUD to service the Irrigation Districts? Is there a minimum that you've required below Camanche? The river is turning Green.	2
Patt Peirera Campo Seco Property Owner	Why are there no meetings held in Calaveras County? I suggest the Pardee Center Conference Room.	3
	Availability of Water promotes growth. I'm a landowner below the dam. I thought you would have informed the local property owners.	4
Richard Baines	I found out about this meeting through the local newspaper. I applaud the conservation concept and incentives and cooperative effort. Water use - the potential Duck Creek ground water usage would be a good project.	5
	Water rights and historical flows - In regard to water from the Mokelumne River there used to be no guarantee for water after July. Now (with the dams) there are year round flows for agricultural uses and recreation.	6
	I am sure that cooperative dam enlargements would mean the least environmental impact and that they would be the cheapest source with the least changes to the environment. Following common sense this would also mean more power. Operation with a cooperative balance should work well.	7
John Green Stockton East Water District	Ladies and Gentleman,  My name is John Green. I am the Assistant General Manager of the Stockton East Water District. I am here today to express Stockton East Water District support for a regional project that will include a raised Pardee Dam.	8



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	<p>Stockton East, along with other agencies and participants of the Mokelumne Forum from Alpine, Amador, Calaveras, San Joaquin, and East Bay Counties have been meeting for at least seven years.</p> <p>The Mokelumne Forum has built trusting relationships that will blend the individual projects of each participant into regionally supported joint-projects to better manage the water resources of the Mokelumne River watershed for the benefit of both people and the environment. The Pardee project described in the EBMUD programmatic EIR is one project that when joined with other projects of the Mokelumne Forum will gain almost unanimous support in our region.</p>	
	<p>The Eastern San Joaquin County Basin underlying the Stockton East Water District and its neighbors is a portion of the larger San Joaquin Valley Basin. It continues to be in a state of critical overdraft, declining at a rate of 1.7-feet per year, and receding at a rate of 145-feet per year due to the intrusion of saline waters from the west (under the Delta).</p> <p>As we have learned, partially through the Mokelumne Forum process, the region has many opportunities to use the depleted portion of our Basin to jointly bank surface water for recovery in dry years. Multi-county, multi-participant banking projects proposed by the Mokelumne Forum will have the potential of providing significant benefits to the people and environment of our region through a significant increase in the usable yield of the Mokelumne River watershed.</p> <p>Stockton East Water District has proposed a small demonstration banking project that includes the sale of water to some Mokelumne Forum participants. Our written comments on your draft EIR will include more information on this proposal, and ask that it be considered as part of your proposed project subject to this programmatic document.</p>	9
	<p>Regulatory storage of surface water is the key component of any large scale conjunctive use /management project/ program. A raised Pardee Dam and proposed the Duck Creek Reservoir are examples of regulatory storage that are needed on and adjacent to the Mokelumne River in order to assure the success of our regional projects/programs.</p> <p>I respectfully ask the EBMUD staff and Board of Directors support a programmatic EIR that includes a raised Pardee Dam as part of a comprehensive project/program to manage the water resources of the Mokelumne River watershed for the region's people and environment.</p> <p>Thank you for this opportunity to comment.</p>	10



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Mel Lytle San Joaquin County Public Works	I work for San Joaquin County and would like to support the previous statement. Collaboration between lower and upper counties (?) have been productive. We will gain and keep support this way. Critical overdraft is ongoing. Anything we can do to ease that we will support.	11
Alan MacIsaac Mokelumne River.com	I represent MokelumneRiver.com. We oppose the plan and urge to not enlarge Pardee or Lower Bear Reservoirs. EBMUD has overstated the water demands; in the 2005 UWMP it was 230 mgd, now it is 312 mgd in the new EIR. Raising Pardee will destroy the historic Middle Bar Bridge, create dead end roads and flood willow stands which are used by Native Americans as basket weaver plants. The EIR underestimates the climate change impact and an incorrect hydroelectric generation, and CO2 reductions will not account for construction of the new dam & bridges. It will alter flows negotiated over years. [...] Drop enlarging Pardee Reservoir from the plan and do more conservation and rationing instead.	12
Ron Forbes Delta Fly Fishers	I have watched what EBMUD has done to the agro business, water releases and remember problems with Penn Mine. Given your new plan, how can we assume and trust that you will be handling this in a more reasonable manner? Most of what you've done before was per court order.	13

Not all comments were captured verbatim.



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1. EBMUD agrees with the commenter that the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir and Enlarge Lower Bear Reservoir components provide opportunities for partnerships with local agencies in the Upcountry region. The WSMP 2040 identifies solutions for EBMUD's dry year water needs and is not intended to address water supply or infrastructure needs in Amador and Calaveras Counties, or any other area outside EBMUD's service area. The WSMP 2040, in other words, is not intended to facilitate growth or remove an obstacle to growth. However, the District has identified the potential for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir and Enlarge Lower Bear Reservoir components to be undertaken as regional projects with partners and community support.
2. The WSMP 2040 identifies solutions for EBMUD's dry year water needs and is not intended to address water supply or infrastructure needs in Amador and Calaveras Counties, or any other area outside EBMUD's service area. The District does not have plans to provide service to irrigation districts; however, EBMUD has identified the potential for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir and Enlarge Lower Bear Reservoir components to be undertaken as regional projects with partners and community support.

EBMUD acknowledges that the Joint Settlement Agreement (July 2000) and new license (issued in October 11, 2001) established a flow regime including, but not limited to, minimum streamflows, annual pulse flow events, and recreation streamflow releases. Upper and Lower Bear Reservoirs are located within the FERC project boundary for the Mokelumne River Project and are therefore subject to the terms of that license. Any changes to these reservoirs that would violate the terms of the new license or Joint Settlement Agreement would require prior coordination with FERC and may result in reopening of the license or a license amendment. Project impacts would be mitigated in accordance with the requirements established by federal and state agencies, including FERC. Please see the Master Response on Program-level EIR analysis.

3. EBMUD recognized the need for an additional public meeting beyond the original four meetings scheduled to receive comments on the Draft PEIR. A fifth public meeting was held at the San Andreas Town Hall in Calaveras County on March 30, 2009.
4. The WSMP 2040 identifies solutions for EBMUD's dry year water needs and is not intended to address water supply or infrastructure needs in Amador and Calaveras Counties, or any other area outside EBMUD's service area. The WSMP 2040, in other words, is not intended to facilitate growth or remove an obstacle to growth. The District has identified the potential for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component to be undertaken as a regional project with partners and community support.

Notice of the availability of the Draft PEIR was published in the Amador Ledger Dispatch as well as in the Sacramento Bee, the Stockton Record, the Contra Costa Times and the Oakland Tribune. Notice was also posted on EBMUD's website. Please see the Master Responses on Program-level EIR analysis and the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Impacts will be thoroughly examined in the project-level EIR for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component, when and if

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- the District decides to move forward with project-level planning. Notice of the public scoping period as well as the public review period for the project-level EIR will be provided in accordance with CEQA requirements.
5. The District acknowledges the commenter's support for the Conservation component of the WSMP 2040. The potential Duck Creek groundwater storage project is not specifically included in the Preferred Portfolio. Specific projects associated with the IRCUP / San Joaquin Groundwater Banking / Exchange component will be evaluated when and if EBMUD moves forward with project-level planning.
  6. EBMUD acknowledges that dams along the Mokelumne River allow for regulation of flows year-round for agricultural uses and recreation as well as for fisheries habitat under the JSA.
  7. The District has identified the potential for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir and Enlarge Lower Bear Reservoir components to be undertaken as regional projects with partners and community support. Please see the Master Response on Program-level EIR analysis. Impacts will be thoroughly examined in the project-level EIRs for these components, when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning.
  8. The District acknowledges the commenter's support for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component and will continue to participate in the Mokelumne River Forum.
  9. The District acknowledges the commenter's support for the IRCUP / San Joaquin Groundwater Banking / Exchange component of the WSMP 2040. As noted on pages 3-24 and 3-26 of the Draft PEIR, EBMUD would seek regional partners for this component as well as the other Upcountry components (Enlarge Pardee Reservoir and Enlarge Lower Bear Reservoir). While Stockton East Water District's 2008 Water Bank Proposal is not included in the WSMP 2040 Preferred Portfolio, this does not preclude the District from considering this project in the future. Specific projects associated with the IRCUP / San Joaquin Groundwater Banking / Exchange component will be evaluated when and if EBMUD moves forward with project level planning for this component.
  10. The District acknowledges the commenter's support for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component.
  11. The District acknowledges the commenter's support for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir and IRCUP / San Joaquin Groundwater Banking / Exchange components.
  12. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the WSMP 2040 Preferred Portfolio and specifically to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir and Enlarge Lower Bear Reservoir components. At this stage, there is no certainty regarding the potential impacts of the various components. At the project level, EBMUD will examine a broad range of configurations and the potential impacts and possible means of mitigating impacts to recreational uses, cultural resources,

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transportation and access, and other resources. The project-level impact analysis will be presented in subsequent CEQA documentation that will be prepared for the components. Please see the Master Responses on Program-level EIR analysis and the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component.

Please see the Master Response on the Demand Study for a discussion of demand assumptions and projections.

Hydroelectric power is viewed as a green, clean source of energy. Were an Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component constructed, it would include hydro-electric elements such as a new powerhouse, and it is expected that more power would be produced as compared with current conditions. Reservoir operations would be analyzed to identify power generation capabilities. Further, efforts would be undertaken to determine if such generation would qualify for crediting under whatever GHG emissions offset program is in place at the time of project development at the state and/or local level.

13. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 and Program-level EIR analysis. The WSMP 2040 is intended to identify solutions to meet the District's Need for Water in dry years. It is not the result of a court order. The Preferred Portfolio components evaluated in the Draft PEIR would be subject to subsequent CEQA review (and in some instances, NEPA review) at the project level. EBMUD would seek regional partners for the Upcountry components as well as support from the community.



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### Public Meeting #2, Sutter Creek

March 16, 2009 6:30 - 8:30 pm  
Amador Water Agency Board Mtg Room  
12800 Ridge Road, Sutter Creek, CA 95685

#### EBMUD Attendees

EBMUD Board of Directors Katy Foulkes, Doug Linney

Alex Coate, Mike Tognolini, Tom Francis, Gerald Schwartz

#### Project Team Attendees

David Blau, Marcia Tobin, Yanna McLaughlin

#### Public Attendees

See attached sign-in sheet.

### Presentation

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<http://www.ebmud.com/water & environment/water supply/water supply management program/default.htm>

### Public questions and comments

Commenter	Comment	Comment #
Keith Sweet City of Jackson	<p>I am speaking on behalf of the Jackson City Council. In 2000 we requested to open up the Middle Bar Section of the Mokelumne River. We encourage EBMUD to investigate all of the options. Destroying part of our river is not viable. I'm going to read Resolution 2009-16.</p> <p><u><a href="#">A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Jackson Urging East Bay MUD to Increase Conservation Levels Instead of Expanding Pardee Reservoir</a></u></p> <p>WHEREAS, the City of Jackson recognizes the Mokelumne River as a valuable local and regional recreational and natural resource; and</p> <p>WHEREAS, many Jackson residents visit and use the Mokelumne River for family picnics, boating, swimming, fishing, birding, photography, gold panning, and other activities each year; and</p> <p>WHEREAS, the Mokelumne River attracts many visitors to our area for recreation and historical tourism; and</p> <p>WHEREAS, many visitors to our county visit the historic Middle</p>	1



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	<p>Bar Bridge and its surroundings; and</p> <p>WHEREAS, commercial whitewater rafting on the Mokelumne River, which would add to local recreation revenue and attraction, is feasible on a combined Electra-Middle Bar run but not on the Electra Run alone; and</p> <p>WHEREAS, visitors to the Mokelumne River spend money in businesses in the City of Jackson, adding to local incomes and tax revenue; and</p> <p>WHEREAS, substantial sums of public and private money have been spent improving the recreational facilities on the Mokelumne River and restoring the historic Middle Bar Bridge; and</p> <p>WHEREAS, the City of Jackson previously endorsed the opening of the Mokelumne River's Middle Bar reach to public access for river-based recreation because of the benefit to the city; and</p> <p>WHEREAS, East Bay Municipal Utility District's plan to expand Pardee Reservoir would inundate the Middle Bar Bridge, Middle Bar Run, and part of the Electra Run, reducing the river's value as a recreational, historical and natural resource; and</p> <p>WHEREAS, the loss of these priceless resources would directly impact the tourism based economy in Jackson and the surrounding communities, taking away these convenient recreational opportunities for locals and visitors alike; and</p> <p>WHEREAS, the East Bay Municipal Utility District has other options for meeting its 2040 water needs.</p> <p>NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Jackson urges the East Bay Municipal Utility District to adopt higher conservation levels in its 2040 Water Management Plan instead of expanding Pardee Reservoir and destroying the Middle Bar reach of the Mokelumne River.</p> <p>The foregoing resolution was duly passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Jackson</p> <p>at a regular meeting on the 9th day of March, 2009 by the following vote:</p> <p>AYES: 4  NOES: 0  ABSENT: 1  ABSTAIN: 0</p> <p>[Copy provided.]</p>	
Chris Wright Foothill	As Executive Director I am speaking on the behalf of the Foothill Conservancy. This forum gives us the opportunity to voice our opposition to the Pardee option. Pete Bell, our Vice President will	2



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Conservancy	state our comments. We will also submit them in writing.	
Pete Bell Foothill Conservancy	We want EBMUD to find solutions to our water problems, just not in our backyards. The WSMP 2040 needs to be analyzed better, especially the serious Sociocultural, Environmental Justice and Health & Safety impacts. This option would destroy the environment for future generations. Pardee does not meet the objectives on page 2-2.	3
	The actual need-for-water (NFW) is not well laid out and conflicts with the NFW in the Urban Water Management Plan (UWMP). In the 2005 UWMP EBMUD lists 230 million gallons per day (MGD) as NFW and in the WSMP it lists 312 MGD. Why so much more?	4
	Raising the rationing level to 15-20% would eliminate that need-for-water and the need for Pardee.	5
	The Mokelumne River itself is the recreation resource. The EIR treats the facilities surrounding the reservoir - the parking lots and bathrooms as the recreation resource. No matter what the water level is, if the people can't get to the water. People come to the water, not the parking lot!	6
	Electra Run: Thousands of people are coming to this special run. It augments our economy. Federal Agencies, the State, PG&E and several organizations have invested millions into recreation facilities.	7
	The river is important habitat for trout and other fish. Historical resources such as the Middle Bar Bridge and the willow stands that are used by the Native Americans would be destroyed. Even the old powerhouse is part of the historical resources. Our heritage and culture must be preserved.	8
	Taking out Middle Bar Bridge creates dead end streets and a death trap for people who live there. Climate Change will be addressed in the written comments.	9
Theodore F. Novelli Supervisor Amador County Board of Supervisors	I would like EBMUD to do this meeting at Amador County. You should have more meetings in counties where the river originates.	10
Steve Wilensky Calaveras Board of Supervisors,	Representing Calaveras County, I would also like to encourage EBMUD to hold the meetings in our counties. I had been encouraged by the improvement of relations. Yet, how did you manage to not have anyone from Calaveras or Amador County on the CLC?	11



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District 2	Flooding the river will impact our sacred and important Miwok community.	12
	We don't want dead-end roads in our community. The river is an attraction and critical for our economy. We need every economic opportunity and we need true partnerships. There are two ways to fix the problem. You need to watch out for your watershed and we are studying the Sierra. You can invest in our Stewardship efforts. The solution is to be truly working together.	13
Theresa Simsiman  American Whitewater Events Coordinator	I am representing American Whitewater and am here to protest enlargements of Pardee Reservoir.  If Pardee is 1/3 of the water supply solution, then where is the balance with the other components? We will be turning over all the rocks, if necessary.  To show how important this river is to us, we just had an impromptu Paddle on the Mokelumne River with 50 participants. [Read Letter from David Steindorff.]	14
Hank Willy  Jackson Valley Irrigation District	I haven't heard anything from the agricultural community here. Playing is fine, but we need to grow crops here.	15
Darryl Rusk  CCWD	Representing Calaveras County Water District, I am concerned about the water rights of Calaveras, Amador, Alpine and San Joaquin County. Want these rights recognized and protected.	16
Jill North	Portfolio C - the Buckhorn component - was deflated by the environmental community. There are active earthquake faults underneath this reservoir too. I learned from the environmental document that supposedly seiches can occur in enclosed bodies of water with great depths. What will the depth of Pardee be?	17
	Oak Woodlands - they are important part of our heritage and would be impacted. How would you reduce impacts from arsenic?	18
	See page 4.2.A-4 for the list of leakage losses. Raising Pardee only restores ½ of what is leaked. Fix the leaks!	19
Norman Kolstad  Property Owner lone, CA	I am a property owner below the dam. What will happen to my property value? How will it be impacted through this project?	20
Addie Jacobson  Ebbetts Pass Forest Watch	The clear cutting practices of Sierra Pacific Industries have negative impacts on our watershed, water quality and storage. I studied the reports and learned a lot. I am providing some findings [handouts]. You should address the timber harvest plans (THPs) in the area; this is a complicity of silence. The current THPs are open for comment.	21





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George Wendt O.A.R.S	I am a river rafter and work for a rafting company. You should have a meeting in Calaveras County. We made rafts available to a Calaveras youth mentoring group. People find it surprisingly beautiful, especially below the SR 49 bridge. I hope you won't raise the level of the Pardee Reservoir.	22
Kathy Guletz	Don't raise the dam. The Mokelumne River is out most shining jewel.	23
Steve Elias Sierra Club, Motherlode Chapter	On behalf of the Sierra Club Motherlode Chapter I support Supervisor Wilensky and Pete Bell's opinions. We will fight as hard as we can. We are not being considered. You need to inform and include people on the other side of the river.	24
Pat Guttman	I oppose the expansion of Pardee Reservoir. 1) It will create an emergency challenge because of the dead-end roads created when the Middle Bar Bridge is flooded.	25
	2) You should put your investment into watershed conservation measures like New York City. They invested into watershed protection instead of building a new water treatment plant and saved a lot of money by going the stewardship route.	26
Gayle Mendoza	I live on Electra Road. I see the wildlife every day. People with dogs and families. If you have the technology to use Desalination, why are you still going after old-fashioned damming?	27
Keith Franklin	Most of what I wanted to say was already addressed. Electra is the best training run from everyone from 8 to 60 years old. It would be a real shame to lose it.	28
Christine Coleman	I have enormous passion for this river and county. We're going to fight for it. People need to learn lessons about water use. Electra Road is a sacred place for me. That's where we go to regenerate.	29
Suzy Ardito	I am concerned for the children and families of Amador County. The river is a part of our heritage. Please don't take it.	30
Violet Jakob	I can name most dammed rivers, but the most beautiful is the Mokelumne River. You have access to recycling. That is not adequately used. 10633 Court [?]. Raising Pardee 33 ft will destroy part of the river. We feel disenfranchised.	31





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Marge Grow Miwok Tribe	I am speaking as a representative of the local Miwok Tribe. We are concerned about the Willow gathering places. Middle Bar is the perfect place for our tribe to harvest willows for basket making and for our elders to teach the younger generation the language and songs that go with it. We have fought for 80 years to get back to this place. At least here the willows are not sprayed and don't cause the women to develop throat cancer. Would the interpretive signage be placed under water? We are four counties of Native Americans. We will not stand by and let this happen.	32
Michael Wier	The Mokelumne River is a large part of my life. I'm a fisherman and a rafter and the Mokelumne is a great place to do both. The Mokelumne River is special. I have been sneaking down there [section below Middle Bar Bridge] and am here to speak for those that can't speak for themselves - the wildlife. The wildlife down there is special. It's a refuge for native wildlife and plants. It's an important habitat we can't afford to lose.	33
	The Mokelumne River used to have Salmon and Steelhead. The fish that are in the reservoir now are not native.	34
	Almost all of the Native American artifacts have been erased. We would lose old town.	35
	What about dredging silt from the reservoirs? You could get the gold out of there as well as the methane that is adding to climate change.	36
Joel Barnett	I've lived in the Oakland Hills and am now in Calaveras County. This project is hitting us at a bad time. What is the least reprehensible way to solve this problem?	37
Zane Schoettgen	Everything below the Salt Springs Reservoir, the Mokelumne River headwaters, and the Electra Run have incredible beauty. Damming just doesn't work. The Middle bar section is also great. New recreation Facilities were just built. What happens to the investment in those recreation facilities?	38
Aaron Chapman	I am opposed to the dam. From Bear Valley. The River provides valuable lessons for children in nature - children learn more on the river than on a golf course.  20% rationing would save the river.	39
Katherine Evatt	Mokelumne River Conservation. People love this river. Pardee would not contribute to AB 32, because hydropower is not in the scope. To meet AB 32, it would have to be a small and renewable energy source.	40
	I object to the destruction of recreation [opportunities].	41
Stein Eriksen	I live on Electra Road. It is wrong to flood it.	42



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Joan Pipes	I live on Cowin Mine Road (1/2 mile from Middle Bar Bridge). I asked to be on the mailing list and have received no letters since Dec. 2000. (That letter was a response to the Oct 2000 EIR meeting comment and didn't include Middle Bar). You need to do more publicity and citizen involvement.	43
Franziska Schabram	Is this the same story as Hetch Hetchy? Are you only fulfilling legal requirements or are you truly interested in our comments?	44
Kathleen duBois	[Read letter re:] Health & Safety Board of Engineers review. Have more safety reviews been done? When? Recommendations were made to EBMUD - have any of those safety issues been addressed?	45
	Looked at NRDC's costs of dams and desalination. I urge the people here to look at the other components too because they are as faulty as Pardee Dam.  Use conservation, local SW harvesting and recycled water to meet needs.	46
Frank Tortorich Amador County Historical Society	Water rights were sold; there is no more access to the river. Thanks for listening, but you need to listen a whole lot more.	47
Anna Garrison	I'm from Calaveras County. This public meeting and the process is a farce. Come to Calaveras County and extend the comment period. There is no trust.	48
Jeff Garrison	The Mokelumne is the last sacred River System. We'll fight this. Tell your people to educate people. This needs to be done another way.	49
Bob Dominick	Central Sierra Resource Conservation and Development Council. 1964 Wilderness Act. I don't believe flooding above Electra won't occur. Eventually it will be flooded all the time.	50
Tyler Childress	There is an analogy to the Upper Stanislaus. Seasonal flooding has created a "zone of death".	51
Rebecca Wu	I am against any dams.	52

Recorded by Marcia Tobin & Yanna McLaughlin, EDAW; not all comments were captured verbatim.

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1. EBMUD acknowledges the City of Jackson resolution opposing the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. EBMUD agrees with the commenter that the Mokelumne River is a valuable local and regional recreational and natural resource. Please see the Master Response on the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Project impacts, including recreation impacts and impacts on Middle Bar Bridge, will be thoroughly evaluated in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning for this component.

Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040. The Preferred Portfolio includes the second highest level of conservation (Level D) that was considered in the alternatives development process. To implement the next highest conservation level (Level E) and gain the additional 2 MGD in water savings, the cost (total present value) to EBMUD was modeled at approximately \$120 million. The total difference in cost between Levels D and E, which includes both costs to the District and costs to the customer, would be approximately \$260 million.

Conservation Level D was selected for inclusion in the Preferred Portfolio because it establishes a conservation goal that is markedly greater than the District's current level of investment. This demonstrates that the District is willing to push conservation to the limit of cost-effectiveness. Such an investment ensures that the District will remain a leader in the demand management aspects of future water supply planning.

2. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component.
3. Please see Responses FC-53, FC-54 and FC-59 for discussions of health and safety, sociocultural, and environmental justice impacts. Please see Response FC-8 for a discussion of the WSMP 2040 project objectives.
4. Please see the Master Response on the Demand Study. The current 2040 Demand Study projections updated the 2000 Demand Study projections which reflect conditions in 1996. EBMUD's *Urban Water Management Plan 2005* used the 2000 Demand Study projections.
5. Please see Response FC-5 and the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the District's rationing policy. Rationing at the 0, 10, 15, 20 and 25 percent levels were considered in the initial portfolio development. Following the modeling and evaluation of the preliminary portfolios against the criteria, the 0 and 25 percent rationing levels were eliminated from further consideration; however, the 20 percent rationing level was considered in the next stage of Alternative Portfolio analysis.

It was noted that demand has already "hardened," so with increased conservation included in WSMP 2040, the less customers will be able to ration during dry years. A combination of selecting the 10 percent rationing level and Conservation Level D (39 MGD over existing levels of conservation) was seen as both reasonable and feasible because District customers would be asked to conserve at a high level, and a 10 percent rationing level would be further requested from single-family residential customers during drought years.

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6. EBMUD recognizes the many recreational opportunities provided by the Mokelumne River (please see pages 4.2.D-5 through 4.2.D-6 of the Draft PEIR and FC-24). Please see the Master Responses on Program-level EIR analysis and the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Impacts to recreation and recreation facilities, including effects on the Mokelumne River itself, will be thoroughly evaluated in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with this component.
7. As stated in Mitigation Measure 5.2.D-2b of the Draft PEIR, EBMUD is committed to preserving the Electra Run for whitewater boating (see page 5.2.D-8). Project impacts on the Electra Run and recreation activities will be thoroughly evaluated in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with the component.
8. EBMUD acknowledges the importance of the Mokelumne River for fish and wildlife (please see pages 4.2.C-24 and 4.2.C-25 and Appendix C of the Draft PEIR) as well as the presence of historical resources at Pardee Reservoir such as Middle Bar Bridge (please see pages 4.2.H-5-4.2.H-6 and Appendix E of the Draft PEIR). EBMUD further recognizes the importance of the Me-wuk people and their ongoing cultural practices. Please see Response FC-54. EBMUD will consult with the Me-wuk and will conduct a thorough evaluation of cultural resources impacts, including impacts on current cultural practices and any sacred sites, in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Impacts to fish and wildlife will also be evaluated in a project-level EIR.
9. EBMUD does not plan to eliminate access in the Upcountry region. Please see Responses ACHS-1 and FC3-32. When and if EBMUD decides to move forward with project-level planning for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component, a project-level EIR will be prepared that will thoroughly examine impacts on traffic and emergency access. The project-level EIR will also identify all feasible mitigation measures to reduce or avoid these impacts. Please see the Master Responses on Program-level EIR analysis and the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. At that time, an effort will be undertaken to avoid damaging impacts to Middle Bar Bridge, and consistent with CEQA, the ability of mitigation measures, including documentation, to reduce impacts will be thoroughly examined.
10. EBMUD conducted extensive outreach as part of the development of the WSMP 2040. In addition to the Draft PEIR public review meeting held on March 16, 2009, in Amador County, EBMUD held four other public meetings, two of which were held within counties near Amador County (Calaveras County and San Joaquin County). The purpose of the above-referenced March 16, 2009 WSMP Draft PEIR public meeting in Amador County (as well as of the other four public meetings) was to receive comments from the public regarding EBMUD's WSMP 2040 effort as detailed in the environmental document. All comments received at the meetings were recorded by EBMUD staff, and EBMUD has responded to these comments as part of the Final PEIR.

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Beyond the five public meetings noted above, EBMUD staff gave presentations on WSMP 2040 during a City of Plymouth City Council meeting (March 30, 2009), and staff were present during the March 2009 meeting of the Amador County Board of Supervisors (on April 16, 2009) as well as the meeting of the Amador Water Agency (on April 23, 2009). In addition, during this same period, EBMUD staff participated in several interviews with local media (the Amador Ledger Dispatch, the Calaveras Enterprises, as well as the local Jackson, CA television station, in an attempt to further address local questions.

11. EBMUD recognized the need for an additional public meeting beyond the original four meetings scheduled on the Draft PEIR. A fifth public meeting was held in the community of San Andreas in Calaveras County on March 30, 2009. Each of the EBMUD Board of Directors was asked to identify members of the public to serve as representatives on the WSMP 2040 CLC. CLC members included elected officials as well as representatives of industry, environmental interests, and community advocacy groups.
12. EBMUD recognizes the importance of the Me-wuk people and their ongoing cultural practices. Please see Response FC-54. EBMUD will consult with the Me-wuk and will conduct a thorough evaluation of cultural resources impacts, including impacts on current cultural practices and any sacred sites, in a project-level EIR when and if project-level planning moves forward for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. A project-level EIR will identify all feasible mitigation measures to reduce or avoid impacts on cultural resources. Please see the Master Response on Program-level EIR analysis.
13. Please see Response PM-SC-9 for a discussion of potential impacts on access. EBMUD agrees with the commenter that the District and Upcountry counties and water agencies should work together to develop water supply solutions with regional benefits. The WSMP 2040 Preferred Portfolio recognizes the combination of groundwater storage in San Joaquin County, the Enlarge Lower Bear Reservoir and Enlarge Pardee Reservoir components as a Regional Upcountry Project that in its future evaluation and development will seek to address regional interests through a regional partnership.
14. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040. The Draft PEIR recognizes the whitewater recreation opportunities provided by the Mokelumne River (please see pages 4.2.D-5 through 4.2.D-6). Please see the Master Responses on the WSMP 2040 and the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component.

The Preferred Portfolio for the WSMP 2040 includes a diverse range of components to meet the need for water in dry years, and it will also provide the District with flexibility to address uncertainties such as climate change and timing of droughts. As stated on page 3-30 of the Draft PEIR, if the Regional Desalination component is implemented, then the Upcountry projects (including the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component) would not be required to meet the projected Need for Water. Impacts associated with the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component will be fully examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning.

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15. Potential impacts on agriculture are discussed under Impact 5.2.D-1 on pages 5.2.D-2 through 5.2.D-6 of the Draft PEIR. Impacts on agriculture will be thoroughly evaluated in project-level CEQA documentation when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning.
16. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's concern regarding the water rights in the Upcountry region and seeks to develop regional projects with Upcountry partners that will have regional benefits. Please see Response FC-14.
17. EBMUD addresses the potential for seiche associated with the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component (please see pages 5.2.A-24 and 5.2.A-25). As stated in Impact 5.2.A-14, the risk of seiche from an expanded reservoir is equivalent to that currently posed by the existing reservoirs for seiche-induced damage, which is minimal. Therefore, impacts related to inundation from seiches are considered less than significant. At the project-specific level, the District would examine options for siting of a new dam, evaluate the type of dam, identify suitable embankment elevations, and develop associated reservoir storage volumes and yields. The District will prepare a project-level EIR that will thoroughly examine potential impacts to hydrology, including the risks of seiche, when and if it decides to move forward with project-level planning for this component.
18. EBMUD acknowledges that oak woodlands are an important resource in the Upcountry region. At this stage, there is no certainty regarding the impacts of the potential Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Impacts related to biological resources and hazards will be fully examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning for this component. The project-level EIR will also identify specific mitigation measures to reduce significant impacts.
19. Channel losses are a normal occurrence along a natural waterway such as the Mokelumne River. As noted on pages 4.2.A-3 and 4.2.A-4 of the Draft PEIR, EBMUD recognizes this and releases carriage water from Camanche Reservoir to ensure sufficient flows reach downstream users. Channel losses on the lower Mokelumne River range from about 56,000 to 120,000 acre-feet per year. To avoid these losses or "fix the leaks" as the commenter suggests, a lined bypass channel would need to be constructed. This would cause adverse impacts to important habitat along the riparian corridor that could be averted by continuing to use the river to transport water. Please see the Master Responses on Program-level EIR analysis and the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. At the project-specific level, a broad array of alternative configuration assumptions would be analyzed. For example, the District would examine options for siting of a new dam, evaluate the type of dam, identify suitable embankment elevations, and develop associated reservoir storage volumes and yields.
20. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's concerns. At this stage, there is no certainty regarding the impacts of the potential Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Impacts to property owners will be fully examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning



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for this component. The project-level EIR will also identify specific mitigation measures to reduce significant impacts.

21. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's concerns regarding timber harvest plans in the Upcountry region. In the event that the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component moves forward, EBMUD would review all applicable plans, including timber harvest plans as well as BLM and US Forest Service plans. Any impacts to forest lands will be fully examined in a project-level EIR. Please see the Master Responses on Program-level EIR analysis and the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component.
22. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040. EBMUD further recognized the need for an additional public meeting beyond the original four meetings scheduled on the Draft PEIR. A fifth public meeting was held in the community of San Andreas in Calaveras County on March 30, 2009.
23. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040 and recognizes the importance of the Mokelumne River to the local community. Please see the Master Response on the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component.
24. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040. Please see the Master Response on the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. In the event that this component moves forward, a project-level EIR will be prepared and the public will have further opportunity to comment.

EBMUD will continue its outreach to Upcountry communities. Please see Response AWA-6.

25. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040. Please see the Master Response on the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Please see Response PM-SC-9 above for a discussion of emergency access.
26. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's suggestion that EBMUD invest in watershed conservation measures and the commenter's contention that New York City was able to avoid constructing a new water treatment plant by investing in watershed conservation measures.

EBMUD's WSMP 2040 Preferred Portfolio includes aggressive water conservation within its service area. The WSMP 2040 proposes to invest in not only water conservation, but also in the expansion of the use of recycled water. These programs will allow the District to address the projected growth in water demand in normal water years through the year 2040. Supplemental water supplies developed together with the implementation of the District's proposed 10% rationing strategy would allow the District to meet dry year needs during that same time period. The use of high quality water sources for these proposed supplemental supplies (such as those generated from the Mokelumne River

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watershed) will help the District minimize the need to expand existing water treatment plants.

27. EBMUD acknowledges the potential for and known occurrence of wildlife in the vicinity of Pardee Reservoir (please see pages 4.2.C-24 and 4.2.C-25 and Appendix C of the Draft PEIR). Impacts related to wildlife will be fully examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. The project-level EIR will also identify specific mitigation measures to reduce significant impacts.

Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040. It is anticipated that in implementing the WSMP 2040, EBMUD will pursue multiple supplemental supply components simultaneously, with the most cost effective and efficient projects being pursued first. The success of one component could allow the District to delay other additional components over the course of the planning period, and in the end, not all of the supplemental supply components will necessarily be constructed. As noted on page 3-30 of the Draft PEIR, if the Regional Desalination component is implemented, then the Upcountry projects (including Enlarge Pardee Reservoir, Enlarge Lower Bear Reservoir, and IRCUP/San Joaquin Groundwater Banking/Exchange) would not be required.

28. Please see Response PM-SC-7 above.
29. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040 and recognizes the importance of the Mokelumne River to the local community. Please see the Master Responses on the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Impacts will be fully examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning for this component.
30. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040. Please see the Master Responses on the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Impacts will be fully examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning for this component.
31. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's support for water recycling and other soft path projects, as well as the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. As stated in the Master Response on the WSMP 2040, the District is committed to implementing high levels of water recycling.

At this stage, there is no certainty regarding the impacts of the potential Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Impacts to the Mokelumne River will be thoroughly evaluated in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning. Please see the Master Response on the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component.

32. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040 and recognizes the importance of the



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Me-wuk people and their cultural practices. Please see Response FC3-54. New text has been added to Section 4.2.H.2 of the Draft PEIR to specifically acknowledge the current cultural practices of the Me-wuk people.

EBMUD will consult with the Me-wuk and will conduct a thorough evaluation of cultural resources impacts, including impacts on current cultural practices and any sacred sites, as well as the interpretive signage present, in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component.

33. EBMUD acknowledges the importance of the Mokelumne River to the local community. Impacts to recreation and biological resources will be fully examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Please see the Master Responses on Program-level EIR analysis and the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component.
34. EBMUD has and continues to work on efforts to recover populations of endangered fish stocks in the Mokelumne River. Please see Response FOR-9.
35. Impacts to cultural resources will be fully examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Please see the Master Responses on Program-level EIR analysis and the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component.
36. EBMUD will consider all reasonable alternatives when and if the District decides to move forward with the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Please see the Master Responses on Program-level EIR analysis and the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component.
37. Please see the Master Responses on the WSMP 2040 and the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. The Preferred Portfolio includes a diverse range of components to meet the need for water in dry years, and it will also provide the District with flexibility to address uncertainties such as climate change and timing of droughts. As noted on page 3-30 of the Draft PEIR, by 2030, either Regional Desalination or the Upcountry projects (including Enlarge Pardee Reservoir, Enlarge Lower Bear Reservoir, and IRCUP/San Joaquin Groundwater Banking/Exchange) would be required to meet the projected Need for Water. Impacts of the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component will be thoroughly evaluated in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with this component.
38. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040. As stated in Mitigation Measure 5.2.D-2b of the Draft PEIR, EBMUD is committed to preserving the Electra Run for whitewater boating (see page 5.2.D-8). Impacts to recreation and visual resources will be fully examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning for this component.
39. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040. Please see Response FC3-5 and the

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Master Responses on the WSMP 2040 and the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component.

40. Hydroelectric power is viewed as a green, clean source of energy. Were the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component to be constructed, it would include hydroelectric elements such as a new powerhouse, and it is expected that more power would be produced as compared with current conditions. Reservoir operations would be analyzed to identify power generation capabilities. Further, efforts would be undertaken to determine if such generation would qualify for crediting under whatever GHG emissions offset program is in place at the time of project development at the state and/or local level.
41. Impacts to recreation and biological resources will be fully examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Please see the Master Responses on Program-level EIR analysis and the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component.
42. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040. Please see the Master Response on the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Impacts of this component will be thoroughly evaluated in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with this component.
43. EBMUD conducted an 18-month-long alternative development process prior to preparing the Draft PEIR. The public was invited to a series of workshops to provide input on the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives. Please see Response PM-SC-10 above. EBMUD will add the commenter's contact information to the mailing list for future notifications concerning the WSMP 2040.
44. EBMUD is interested in the public's comments on the WSMP 2040 Draft PEIR. The District is committed to implementing Upcountry projects with local partners that will have regional benefits and the support of the community. Please see the Master Response on WSMP 204 and the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component.
45. The correspondence referenced by the commenter was addressed as part of a routine follow-up performed by EBMUD's Seismic Section and Operations and Maintenance Department. There are no current issues associated with the safety of the Pardee Dam. Further, Pardee Dam fully complies with State safety requirements.
46. EBMUD recognizes the value of water conservation and recycling and has included them as components in the Preferred Portfolio. The alternative development process for the WSMP 2040 included an in-depth evaluation of over 50 components and a range of portfolios that led to the selection of the Preferred Portfolio. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040. As noted on page 3-30 of the Draft PEIR, either the Regional Desalination component or the Upcountry projects (including the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir, Enlarge Lower Bear Reservoir, and IRCUP/San Joaquin Groundwater Banking/Exchange components) would be required to meet the projected Need for Water. EBMUD

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will prepare project-level CEQA documentation for these components when and if project-level planning moves forward.

47. EBMUD conducted extensive outreach as part of the development of the WSMP 2040. In addition to the Draft PEIR public review meeting held on March 16, 2009, in Amador County, EBMUD held four other public meetings, two of which were held within counties near Amador County (Calaveras County and San Joaquin County). The purpose of the above-referenced March 16, 2009 WSMP Draft PEIR public meeting in Amador County (as well as of the other four public meetings) was to receive comments from the public regarding EBMUD's WSMP 2040 effort as detailed in the environmental document. All comments received at the meetings were recorded by EBMUD staff, and EBMUD has responded to these comments as part of the Final PEIR.

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EBMUD extended the public review period for an additional 4 weeks beyond the original 45-day review period for a total of 75 days. The comment period ended on May 4.

48. EBMUD recognized the need for an additional public meeting beyond the original four meetings scheduled on the Draft PEIR. A fifth public meeting was held in the community of San Andreas in Calaveras County on March 30, 2009. Please see Response PM-SC-47 above.
49. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040. Please see the Master Response on the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component.
50. Please see Response PM-SC-7 above.
51. Impacts to biological resources and riparian habitat will be fully examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Please see the Master Responses on Program-level EIR analysis and the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component.
52. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to dams. Please see the Master Responses on the WSMP 2040 and the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component.



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### **Public Meeting #3, Oakland**

March 18, 2009 6:30 - 8:30 pm  
EBMUD Administration Building  
375 Eleventh Street  
Oakland, CA

#### **EBMUD Board of Directors Attendees**

Doug Linney, Katy Foulkes, John Coleman, Andy Katz, Lesa McIntosh, William Patterson

#### **EBMUD Attendees**

Dennis Diemer, Alex Coate, Tom Francis, Greg Chan, Richard Harris, Lynelle Lewis, Jylana Collings

#### **Project Team Attendees**

David Blau, Marcia Tobin, Kara Demsey

#### **Public Attendees**

Chris Shutes, California Sportfishing Protection Alliance

Jon Bauer, The Greywater Alliance

Richard Weiss

Katherine (Kate) Chaitin

Pete Bell, Foothill Conservancy

Katherine Evatt, Foothill Conservancy

Darryl Ott

Robert MacKimmie, Rainwater Wranglers

Mike McGratts

Barbara McGratts

Cindy Charles, Golden West Women Flyfishers & Northern California Council Federation of Fly Fishers

Helen Burke

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### Presentation

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### Public questions and comments

Commenter	Comment	Comment #
Katherine (Kate) Chaitin	Thanks to EBMUD for the call to conserve and for the quality of water supplied.	1
	Object to the enlargement of reservoirs and adding dams. The cost of enlarging reservoirs (e.g., infrastructure and roads) - I don't think we can afford it right now. My biggest concern is the cost of the infrastructure and remediation that would be required.	2
	Conservation to date in the District has been pretty minimal. There is a lot more people can do with indoor and outdoor conservation. I have been doing more conserving with no pain. Most users object to rates more than conservation itself.	3
	Recommend use of recycled water, conservation and groundwater banking, as well as looking again at rate structures.	4
Richard Weiss	[Lives in Oakland and as a EBMUD customer, appreciates the water quality.]	5
	Oppose enlargement of any reservoirs. The Mokelumne River is important to the local economy, recreationists, fish, etc. That stretch of river on the Mokelumne has been identified by BLM for federal Wild and Scenic River status which makes it a rare resource. Enlarging Lower Bear Reservoir may also alter Mokelumne River flows for fish and recreation. Does not want his water use to cause the drowning of this beautiful river.	6
	Urge a “green portfolio” including Conservation Level D or better, Recycling at Level 3 or better, Rationing at 20%, groundwater banking when needed, and aggressive rates.	7
Chris Shutes California Sportfishing Protection Alliance, Resident of Berkeley	The idea of raising reservoirs is a bad idea. There are better solutions. The JSA signed in the mid-90s was inadequate then and is now. Fishery releases are not adequate. Heard about potential for cold water releases downstream of Pardee Dam as a potential benefit of this component, but this is a common promise. New development projects are supposed to save the problems of the old development. There is no fish passage under the JSA. This will be “carved in concrete” if Pardee is	8



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	raised. Building a bigger bathtub does not fill it with water.	
	Freeport was supposed to take care of drought conditions. Water demand per capita needs to decrease.	9
	The Draft Program EIR does not appropriately represent the EBMUD board members values and those of the district customers.	10
	WSMP 2040 is outdated in its approach. Please start over and please do better.	11
Ronald (Ron) Stork Friends of the River	This [EBMUD] is a different audience than the City of Sacramento who does not bill by volume, does not use water meters, and does not have aggressive water conservation. EBMUD does better, but that doesn't mean you can't do better yet.	12
	Object to the idea of raising Pardee Dam. EBMUD just had a dry year contract expansion north of the Delta at Freeport (Sacramento River water). Enlarging Pardee as traditional water planning. You model a demand that is larger than today and then try to put together a portfolio to meet the demand. You just had a water supply expansion and you still have a landlocked district. Your problems aren't that large. Projects should be consistent with your values and those of the people you represent. Maybe it is time to prune the list of [supplemental supply] options a bit.	13
Pete Bell	Will be providing extensive written comments on the PEIR.	14
Foothill Conservancy	Want EBMUD to find a solution to meeting the water demand, but one that does not harm the Delta or the Mokelumne River. Do not object to the East Bay meeting their water needs, but do not believe that destroying more miles of pristine river is the way to do it. Concerned about the Raise Pardee and Lower Bear options. These options are not adequately analyzed in the EIR and are not consistent with the objectives of the WSMP.	15
	In summary, Raising Pardee will raise risk to public health and safety, will not have a positive impact to the local economy, will destroy biological resources, destroy and will not promote recreational opportunities. It is state law that body contact is not allowed in a [water supply] reservoir. The state will define the reservoir as the fullest extent that it is full. Thus, the seasonality of the reservoir elevation won't matter in terms of limiting body contact recreation.	16
	Enlarging Pardee is an environmental justice issue - the river is open to everyone right now. We [upcountry residents] do not have big parks in our area, what we have is public lands. That's where we recreate, teach our children about nature.	17





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	The Mokelumne River is also a huge economic driver in the county. People who recreate in the river bring money to the county.	18
	Middle Bar Bridge was just restored in 2002. By Enlarging Pardee, Middle Bar Bridge would become a dead-end road and would be a hazard for evacuation and movement of emergency equipment.	19
Katherine Evatt Foothill Conservancy Board President and resident of Amador County	The Monday Sutter Creek public meeting was the first meeting held in the foothills. Our head count was 140+ people. The room was full about 20 minutes before the hearing started. Room was full and 25+ people were peering through the windows, but could not fit into the room. Requested an additional meeting in Calaveras County - urge you do to that.	20
	Speakers included members of the Miwok tribe, anglers, ranchers, recreationists, environmentalists, etc. People feel disenfranchised. Were brought in very late in the process. Two strong messages came through from the meeting at Sutter Creek - people love the Mokelumne River and they will fight to protect it. The Foothill Conservancy taped most of the testimony from the public meeting in Sutter Creek and it can be made available to anyone who would like to hear it. The City of Jackson has passed a resolution opposing raise Pardee. This is not a popular idea in the foothills.	
	Cannot understand why you would drop the Buckhorn Reservoir component and proceed with expanding Pardee Reservoir. Understand the need for water, but people need natural places too. Would not dream of coming to the East Bay and taking one of your special places. If Los Angeles can save Mono Lake by decreasing their water consumption, the East Bay can do something similar.	21
Helen Burke former EBMUD Director	The Board has the opportunity to make the WSMP the greenest plan ever.	22
	The EIR says the intent of the plan is to respond to an unknown water future. EBMUD should rely on conservation, rationing, recycled water, and groundwater banking which do not require construction. An "environmentally friendly portfolio" could be a revised Portfolio A, although water transfers should not be included as they could have effects on the Delta. Can meet future water needs with Conservation Level E (justification for conservation figures is requested by many and there has been rumor that it will be provided). Rationing of 10% is too low. Customers are already rationing at 15%. Recycled Level 3 is good. Supplemental supply projects are not needed except for Bayside and conjunctive use. No water transfers, desalination, or enlarged/new reservoirs.	23



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	The EIR should consider all alternatives, such as more aggressive rate structuring during all times, both normal and drought.	24
David Nesmith Environmental Water Caucus	My focus is on the health of the Delta. Message today is that dams are not the answer to California's future water needs. This District has been a leader in many aspects of water management over the years, but to provide the kind of water reliability that this District has a right to try to plan for by resorting to dams is unnecessary and destructive. No dams that have been proposed in the WSMP process would pass the test of a serious environmental review or would be considered appropriate if we worked harder on some of the things we already mentioned [e.g., conservation].	25
	Need to have a much more aggressive rate structure than you have now. I know this is hard and hard for a Board to do. We need a "lifeline rate" and for every house that uses water to "feel the pain."	26
	The fish need the water more than we do. Tonight, I want to speak for the fish.	27
Cindy Charles Golden West Women Flyfishers & Northern California Council Federation of Fly Fishers	I live in San Francisco and understand EBMUD's interest in looking forward to future water needs. I was recently involved in the SFPUC water supply planning process where they claimed to need an additional 25 million gallons per day (MGD) from the Tuolumne River. Through a collaborative process, they decided that they didn't need that extra 25 MGD. EBMUD can learn from that process. It can be done.	28
	I am an angler. I reviewed the Draft Program EIR and was shocked to see that there was not much mention of the impact to fisheries below the dam. Salmon populations are at low levels and central valley steelhead is a listed species. The National Marine Fisheries Service has been looking more into opportunities for fish passage. Enlarging Pardee Dam is a really bad idea. The Mokelumne River has already suffered a lot of abuse. Look at what you are doing and how you are impacting future generations.	29
Ben Young	Lives in Oakland and is a kayaker. Really likes the Mokelumne and would like it if EBMUD didn't make the dam bigger.	30
Marguerite Young	Lives in Oakland. Self-described as an EBMUD customer and activist. Hoping that when if my son has kids, they can kayak on the Mokelumne too. The Mokelumne River is one of the very few learning rivers in the state. The best rapid for learning are located below the Highway 49 bridge. It is incorrect to say that the whitewater section that would be affected by raising Pardee is just the Electra Run. The whitewater run goes all the way to Middle Bar.	31





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	Was stunned that after the Freeport project was approved to take care of dry year needs, that we are adding an expansion of Pardee. Wants to understand that better.	32
	Has not been able to look through the entire EIR, but has questions about the climate change analysis and if it takes into account sea level rise and potential inundation of low-lying areas.	33
	We will see technological updates in the next years that could provide additional conservation savings.	34
	Look at rates, put in a lifeline, reintroduce levels 4 & 5. As good of a job that EBMUD does in some areas of education, people do not understand the current water rationing scheme. We can do better.	35
Juliet Lamont Sierra Club	Applaud the work that has gone into the WSMP 2040. At a time when we need bold, aggressive steps that is centered on conservation and recycled water. You have taken some steps, but some key elements need to be addressed. Will be submitting detailed comments.	36
	EBMUD should focus on conservation, recycled water, and aggressive and progressive rate pricing. Be bold. Be visionary. Urges EBMUD to maximize conservation as the keystone of the water supply strategy for an uncertain water future. Include the highest levels of water recycling and drop any new or expanded dams or reservoirs. Fully support the removal of the Buckhorn Reservoir component, but Pardee and Lower Bear are equally damaging and as politically explosive as Buckhorn. Supports groundwater storage and discourages cross-Delta water transfers.	37
	Rate pricing structures such as those used at Irvine Ranch encourage greater conservation. EBMUD should have aggressive water pricing that targets water hogs to provide revenue. Those that conserve will be subsidized by those that waste.	38
John Trinkl Ebbetts Pass Forest Watch	Concerned that the proposal could destroy parts of the reservoir for whitewater recreation, fish habitat, critical evacuation routes, and historic resources.	39
	Encourage choosing alternatives that do not destroy miles of the Mokelumne River. Supports increasing rationing to 20%, Conservation Level E, increased groundwater storage, and Recycled Water Level 3. Do not want more surface water development. Encourage the Board to think boldly. [Quoted several people.] We must have growth in a different way.	40
Bob Feinbaum Lives in the	The Preferred Alternative seems to be a grab-bag of taking previous ideas and shushing them into one alternative or plan.	41



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Fruitvale area of Oakland	Support maximum conservation, maximum recycling, and maximum amount of groundwater storage. Believe that we can meet our water needs by those means alone.	42
	Supportive of the Foothills Conservancy and opposes the raising of Pardee Dam.	43
	Would like to see a written response on the 2% annual increase in water usage statistic that was mentioned today. The historical example of Los Angeles has shown that is not the case. Appliance manufacturers (e.g., whirlpool) have significantly decreased the water use by these appliances, in some cases by 70%. This is the trend for many appliance-makers. You should go back to the drawing board regarding your assumption of 2% growth. If you have a lower demand, you will not need all of these supplemental supply projects.	44
	Submetering in apartments and commercial buildings can help with conservation. That is a potentially huge amount of water savings. This should be built into the model. Urge you to support conservation.	45
Sonia Diermayer Sierra Club member	EBMUD customer off of Skyline in Oakland, member of the Sierra Club. The EIR becomes a very broad brush that somewhat sidesteps some critical issues and mitigation.	46
	The best alternative would be one with even more conservation. Conservation Level E - we believe it is possible and look forward to looking at the economic rationale behind why Level D was chosen. There is enormous potential to actively change customer culture through public info campaigns and engaging with local governments. Lush lawns in our dry landscape should be treated as embarrassing unless they use recycled water and have signage to that effect.	47
	Rainwater capture should be developed.	48
	Greatly oppose expanded dams or reservoirs. Would be unconscionable to provide water in the East Bay if it means projects that are totally destructive to communities in the Sierra foothills that we look to for our recreation.	49
	Rationing of 10% is a timid number; it should be at least 15%. We need to step up to the droughts that we might encounter. It's all in how the rationing is structured and made equitable - equitable distribution of pain.	50
Matt Morrison Sierra Club	My position from my June 2008 letter has not changed. Four main points include: support of the highest level of conservation (E), the highest level of recycling (3), no new or expanded dams or reservoirs, and no cross-Delta water transfers.	51

Not all comments were captured verbatim.

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1. EBMUD appreciates the commenter's support for conservation and the quality of water supplied by the District.
2. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to expanded reservoirs and new dams. An extensive economic analysis was conducted as part of the WSMP 2040. The estimated costs of each of the components can be found in the March 25, 2008 Board of Supervisors Workshop #7 presentation, which is available at EBMUD's website:

[http://www.ebmud.com/water\\_&\\_environment/water\\_supply/water\\_supply\\_management\\_program/board/080325-BOD-workshop-Agenda-&-Presentation.pdf](http://www.ebmud.com/water_&_environment/water_supply/water_supply_management_program/board/080325-BOD-workshop-Agenda-&-Presentation.pdf)

EBMUD will refine the economic analysis at the project level, when more information about each of the individual components, partners, and expected customers (e.g., domestic, agriculture, industrial, etc.) are known.

At this stage, there is no certainty regarding the impacts of the potential Enlarge Pardee Reservoir and Enlarge Lower Bear Reservoir components. Impacts will be fully examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning for these components. The project-level EIR will also identify specific mitigation measures to reduce significant impacts.

3. EBMUD recognizes the value of water conservation and has included it as a component in the WSMP 2040 Preferred Portfolio. The proposed conservation component will conserve an additional 39 MGD. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040.
4. EBMUD supports increased water conservation and recycling. In fact, the WSMP 2040 Preferred Portfolio includes high levels of both water conservation and recycling. EBMUD also supports groundwater banking and has included three such components in the WSMP 2040: Bayside Groundwater Project Phase 2, Sacramento Basin Groundwater Banking/Exchange, and IRCUP/San Joaquin Groundwater Banking/Exchange. Please see Response SCSFB2-17 for a discussion of EBMUD's rate structure.
5. EBMUD appreciates the commenter's support for the quality of water supplied by the District.
6. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to expanded reservoirs. Please see Response BLM-1 for a discussion of the proposed Wild and Scenic River designation for the North Fork/Main Mokelumne River. Impacts to fish, recreation, and other resources will be fully examined in a project -level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning for this component. The project-level EIR will also identify specific mitigation measures to reduce significant impacts. Please see the Master Response on Program-level EIR analysis.
7. Please see Response SCSFB1-1 for a discussion of a "green portfolio". Please also see Responses SCSFB2-7 and SCSFB2-17 for discussion of EBMUD's rate pricing structure.

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8. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to expanded reservoirs. Please refer to the Master Responses on the WSMP 2040 and Program-level EIR analysis. The alternative development process included an in-depth evaluation of over 50 components and a range of portfolios before the Board selected the Preferred Portfolio. Impacts to fish and other resources will be fully examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning. The project-level EIR will also identify specific mitigation measures to reduce significant impacts. Please see Response CSPA-4 for a discussion of the JSA and flow releases.
9. The Freeport Regional Water Project (FRWP) enables the District to meet a portion of its Need for Water during dry years. Additional needs must be met through a combination of water recycling, water conservation, rationing, and additional yield as supplied by the various supplemental supply projects included as components of the Preferred Portfolio. The FRWP is not intended to serve as a supplemental supply source that would meet the entire Need for Water during dry years through the year 2040. For a discussion of how demand was estimated, please refer to the Master Response prepared for the Demand Study.
10. Please refer to the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives. The alternative development process included an in-depth evaluation of over 50 components and a range of portfolios before the Board selected the Preferred Portfolio.
11. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives. The alternative development process included an in-depth evaluation of over 50 components and a range of portfolios before the Board selected the Preferred Portfolio. The District held 11 Board workshops from April 2007 through February 2009 to receive public input. Additionally, eight citizen liaison committee meetings were held that were open to the public.
12. Please see Response PO-11 above.
13. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040. Please see the Master Response on the Demand Study for a discussion of demand assumptions and projections. EBMUD conducted a two year alternative development process prior to preparing the Draft PEIR. The public was invited to a series of workshops to provide input on the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives. The alternative development process included an in-depth evaluation of over 50 components and a range of portfolios before the Board selected the Preferred Portfolio. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives.
14. Please see Responses FC-1 through FC-75.
15. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's concerns regarding the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir and the Enlarge Lower Bear Reservoir components of the WSMP

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2040. Please see the Master Response on Program-level EIR analysis. Impacts will be thoroughly evaluated in subsequent project-level EIRs when and if the District decides to move forward with these components.
16. At this stage, there is no certainty regarding the impacts of the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Project impacts will be fully examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning for this component. The project-level EIR will also identify specific mitigation measures to reduce significant impacts. Please refer to Response BLM-4 for a discussion of the law involving body contact recreation in drinking water supply reservoirs.
  17. Please see Response FC3-39. EBMUD commits to reviewing environmental justice impacts associated with the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning for this component. Please refer to the Master Response on Program-level EIR analysis.
  18. EBMUD acknowledges that the Mokelumne River and associated recreation activities have a substantial impact on the Upcountry economy. According to CEQA Guidelines Section 15131, economic or social effects of a project shall not be treated as significant effects on the environment. As stated in the Draft PEIR, the District will seek regional partners for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component as well as the support of the local community. Consequently, EBMUD will consider economic impacts when and if it decides to move forward with project-level planning for this component.
  19. EBMUD does not plan to eliminate access in the Upcountry region. When and if EBMUD decides to move forward with project-level planning for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component, a project-level EIR will be prepared that will thoroughly examine impacts on cultural resources, including historic structures, and emergency access. The project-level EIR will also identify all feasible mitigation measures to reduce or avoid impacts, including any damage to Middle Bar Bridge. Please see the Master Responses on Program-level EIR analysis and the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component.
  20. EBMUD recognized the need for an additional public meeting beyond the original four meetings scheduled to receive comments on the Draft PEIR. A fifth public meeting was held at the San Andreas Town Hall in Calaveras County on March 30, 2009. EBMUD also extended the public review period from 45 days to 75 days to give the public additional time to submit comments on the Draft PEIR. Please see Response FC-6 for a discussion of local opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component.
  21. Buckhorn Canyon Reservoir was considered during the alternative development project, but it was removed from further consideration because it would not accomplish the project objectives. While a Buckhorn Canyon Reservoir would potentially shift impacts that could potentially result from storage projects in the Upcountry region to the East Bay, this project would still result in impacts similar to those associated with the creation of a new reservoir, particularly in a previously undeveloped area. The District recognized that the Buckhorn Canyon

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- Reservoir would not provide any benefits beyond the EBMUD service area and would not offer benefits to other regional partners that may be achieved through the Regional Upcountry Project components.
22. Please see Response SCSFB1-1.
  23. Please see Responses SCSFB2-1 through SCSFB2-6. The alternative development process included an in-depth evaluation of over 50 components and a range of portfolios before the Board selected the Preferred Portfolio. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives.
  24. The alternative development process included an in-depth evaluation of over 50 components and a range of portfolios before the Board selected the Preferred Portfolio. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives. Please also see Responses SCSFB2-7 and SCSFB2-17 for discussion of EBMUD's rate pricing structure.
  25. Please see Response FC-27 for a discussion of the Delta. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to expanded reservoirs and new dams. At this stage, there is no certainty regarding the impacts of the potential Enlarge Pardee Reservoir and Enlarge Lower Bear Reservoir components. Impacts will be fully examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level for these components. Please see the Master Response on Program-level EIR analysis.
  26. Please see Responses SCSFB2-7 and SCSFB2-17 for discussion of EBMUD's rate pricing structure.
  27. Please see the Master Response on Program-level EIR analysis. Impacts to fisheries and other resources will be fully examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. The project-level EIR will also identify specific mitigation measures to reduce significant impacts.
  28. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives. EBMUD conducted a two year alternative development process prior to preparing the Draft PEIR. The public was invited to a series of workshops to provide input on the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives. The alternative development process included an in-depth evaluation of over 50 components and a range of portfolios before the Board selected the Preferred Portfolio.
  29. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040. Please see Responses CSPA-4 and CSPA-5 for discussion of impacts to fisheries and fish passage.
  30. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040. Please see the Master Response on Program-level EIR analysis. Impacts to recreation will be fully examined in a



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project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component.

31. At this stage, there is no certainty regarding the impacts of the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Impacts to recreation will be fully examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. The project-level EIR will also identify specific mitigation measures to reduce significant impacts. Please see the Master Response on Program-level EIR analysis.
32. Please see Response PM-O-9 above.
33. Please see Response FC-7 for a discussion of sea level rise.
34. EBMUD acknowledges that future technological updates could provide additional conservation savings. If new technologies become available that could substantially increase conservation levels, EBMUD will revisit the Preferred Portfolio and will conduct additional CEQA review as appropriate.
35. Please see Responses SCSFB2-7 and SCSFB2-17 for discussion of EBMUD's rate pricing structure.
36. EBMUD appreciates the commenter's support of the WSMP 2040 planning effort.
37. Please see Responses SCSFB2-1 through SCSFB2-6. Please see Responses SCSFB2-7 and SCSFB2-17 for discussion of EBMUD's rate pricing structure.
38. Please see Responses SCSFB2-7 and SCSFB2-17 for discussion of EBMUD's rate pricing structure.
39. At this stage, there is no certainty regarding the impacts of the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. However, EBMUD does not plan to eliminate access in the Upcountry region. When and if EBMUD decides to move forward with project-level planning for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component, a project-level EIR will be prepared that will thoroughly examine impacts on recreation, fish, cultural resources, including historic structures, emergency access, and other resources. Please see the Master Response on Program-level EIR analysis.
40. At this stage, there is no certainty regarding the impacts of the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Project impacts will be thoroughly evaluated in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Please see Responses SCSFB2-1 through SCSFB2-6.
41. Please see Response PM-O-21.
42. Please see Responses SCSFB2-1 through SCSFB SCSFB2-6.

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43. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040. Please see Responses FC-1 through FC-75.
44. Please see the Master Response on the Demand Study for a discussion of demand assumptions and projections.
45. Please see Response PM-O-21.
46. Please see the Master Response on Program-level EIR analysis. Impacts will be thoroughly examined in the project-level CEQA documentation for specific components, when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning. Project-level CEQA documents will also identify specific mitigation measures to reduce significant impacts.
47. Please see Responses SCSFB2-1 and SCSFB2-2.
48. The alternative development process included an in-depth evaluation of over 50 components and a range of portfolios before the Board selected the Preferred Portfolio. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives.
49. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to expanded reservoirs and new dams. Please see the Master Response on Program-level EIR analysis. Impacts to recreation will be fully examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. The project-level EIR will also identify specific mitigation measures to reduce significant impacts.
50. Please see Response FC-5.
51. Please see Response SCSFB1-1.





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### **Public Meeting #4, Walnut Creek**

March 23, 2009 6:30 - 8:30 pm  
Heather Farms Community Center  
301 N. San Carlos Drive  
Walnut Creek, CA 94598

#### **EBMUD Board of Directors Attendees (6)**

Doug Linney, Katy Foulkes, John Coleman, Andy Katz, William Patterson, Frank Mellon

#### **EBMUD Attendees**

Dennis Diemer, Alex Coate, Tom Francis, Greg Chan, Lynelle Lewis, Rischa Cole

#### **Project Team Attendees**

David Blau, Marcia Tobin, Kara Demsey

#### **Public Attendees (27)**

Sonia Diermayer, Sierra Club  
Marcia Somers, Town of Danville Assistant Town Manager  
Mike Jones, PG&E  
Liz Summer, citizen of Alamo  
Karen Ball, Kenney/Jenks, consultant  
Don and Dorothy Allen  
Jeff Schroeder  
Sharon Jobson  
Vicki Brooks, Arts Commissioner  
Pat Von Behren, Friends of the River  
Gary Skrel, Mayor of Walnut Creek  
Brian Jobson  
Mike Doyle, Vice-Mayor, Danville Town Council  
Linda Best, Contra Costa Council  
Richard Clark, Danville  
Carol Doty, citizen of Alamo  
Sherry Hoover  
Charles W. Brydon, W.A.T.E.R, CLC  
Harvey Ceaser, Walnut Creek  
Martin Steinpress, Brown and Caldwell  
Sigmund Esicsery  
Gabrielle Esicsery  
Lena Perkins  
George Burh  
Keith Gale  
Kevin Tracy



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### Public questions and comments

Commenter	Comment	Comment #
Gary Skrel Mayor of Walnut Creek	Additional supply: the solutions are a combination of several facets. Freeport is good. Additional storage is an absolute necessity. Conservation is not enough. Storage and working in partnership on conjunctive use, desalination, groundwater storage, and environmental water transfers.	1
	Walnut Creek has reduced consumption by 18% (more than the 15% requested by EBMUD).	2
	Drought rates and charges: the current rate system based on last 3 years of use is producing good results. Please keep the existing system. Warmer parts of the East Bay will be hit hard by a tiered rate system.	3
	EBMUD produces high quality water and it is our duty to support the WSMP.	4
Mike Doyle Vice-Mayor of Danville	Appreciates the opportunity to speak on the WSMP 2040. Believes in the multiple strategy approach. Making infrastructure improvements such as enlarging Pardee and developing storage capacity helps manage for water fluctuations and future droughts. Additional ways to maximize the water supply (e.g., desalination) are also good. The conservation measures that are already in place are good as well.	5
	Danville has met the 15% rationing goal. Recently, ratepayers have been affected by the economy and economic climate. Making a change to the rate structure is not supported by the City of Danville.	6
Linda Best Contra Costa Council	Adequate supply of water is needed for a viable economy. Supports the Preferred Portfolio and thinks that it is a balanced approach. We have challenges in the future (e.g., climate change) and potentially an increased number of dry years. Want to keep all elements of the plan to maximize flexibility for the future (e.g., enlarging reservoir, desalination, transfers). The district is growing and we may have more dry year periods in the future. The rationing goal	7



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	the District has set makes sense and allows for future flexibility. It is critical that you keep all components in the plan for future flexibility.	
Liz Summer City of Alamo	Wanted to echo what Mr. Skrel and Mr. Doyle said. We cannot increase conservation - we are all doing as much as we can. It would be economically disastrous for many. The plan seems fair and equitable. From the City of Alamo.	8
Jeff Schroeder Danville	Glad that supplemental supply is included in the plan. Water infrastructure that was built by previous generations has been critical and we will need additional infrastructure to supply future generations. All of the components of the plan are important. We have enough water if we capture it and use it wisely.	9
	Do not punish us [East of Hills] for our geography. I have cut my water use by 40% over the previous owner of my home, partially by installing low water use landscaping. We know what we need to do and are doing it.	10
Charles Brydon W.A.T.E.R	Member of W.A.T.E.R, which was formed by private citizens after past water shortages. There was a tremendous outpouring of concern. People had taken the water system for granted.	11
	There are problems with the water district: storage, reliability, equity. 80 percent of the EBMUD service area lives in a different climate zone on the other side of the hill [West of Hills] which is based on circumstances put in place decades ago and climate.	12
	Groundwater storage, enlargement of Pardee and Lower Bear, and increased supply at Los Vaqueros are critical.	13
	Most important is a reliable water supply on this side of the delta to provide reliability. We live in an earthquake zone - we need to be able to get at our water. We need water on this side of the delta at Buckhorn. You can then take the water when it is in a period of high flow and you use it when you need it - like a piggybank. Would vote to keep Buckhorn Canyon in the mix - it environmentally makes sense.	14
	Promoted basic fairness on cost and sacrifice. [Provided the Board with a handout]	15



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Brian Jobson Amador County resident	Raised his family along the Mokelumne River, recreating on the Mokelumne River. The impacts raising Pardee Reservoir are underestimated in the environmental document. There is nothing you can do to replace free flowing habitat in the Sierra. We have already given away a lot of it for EBMUD. Aquatic habitat impacts are judged to not be significant in the EIR - does not see justification for that.	16
	Recreation also is seen as not significant - Bear River Reservoir is ringed by recreation and the recreation value of the Mokelumne River goes far beyond rafting - gold panning, hiking, visiting, refuge from urban stresses. Those impacts are not less than significant. There isn't a mitigation plan that can save the river for recreation.	17
	Visual impacts also won't be less than significant. Noted that when reservoirs are drawn down, they do not look good - ugly place to look at. A reservoir that is drawn down is severe. Impacts should not be downplayed.	18
	Has worked with EBMUD staff in the past on water and power projects. Hydropower will not be counted as renewable power in the future based on the new laws.	19
	Expect environmentally sound actions from EBMUD. Raising Pardee and Bear River would not be environmentally responsible. It will be an environmental disaster. The District needs to appreciate the River.	20
	If you need storage, you need to make it in your own back yard. Make it in Buckhorn Canyon. If you cannot face the music with your own ratepayers, you should not do it in ours. Put the water off-stream somewhere else. Do not further destroy the Mokelumne River. It is not right or fair.	21
	Will give further written comments. The EIR needs to be re-circulated. It does not provide sound impact analysis. Wanted to tell all members of the Board about the REAL impacts on the river.	22
	We can work together. Let's do this together and not just export impacts to the county of origin.	23
	Should not underestimate the cost of raising Pardee which is a FERC project. It will be a long and costly process. All fish passage issues will be re-opened. It will be tremendously expensive. You would be a lot better off putting your money into other options that you have more control over.	24



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Keith Gale Paddler on the Mokelumne River	Was one of the first that went down the expanded Middle Bar whitewater run.  Wants to use the river - please let me have it.	25
	[Noted that he came in late] Sees his neighbors watering their lawns and others who run almost empty dishwashers. Does not understand what the demand study is telling him. Did not see economic impacts in the presentation. It does not make sense to expand Pardee because we need more water.	26
	Conservation is voluntary. EBMUD does not impose a penalty for not conserving. Does not consider people not using water when it is expensive to be conservation.  We need tiered pricing.  BOARD RESPONSE: we already have it.	27
Marcia Somers Town of Danville Assistant Town Manager	Regarding the conservation portion of the plan, I have been encouraged by the conservation efforts in the last year. We have met the 15% goal that the District set a year ago [for rationing]. We have also sought and used BMPs to decrease water use. We set an example by setting mandatory requirements that the town implemented: discontinued non-essential water uses, made modifications to irrigation, chosen not to plant in some case, and eliminated high water use practices. Also encouraged residents and businesses to conserve. We provide information and work with community groups like local sports leagues. The town is committed to identifying ways for more efficient water use and educating the public on water conservation.	28
	Continue the current rate plan as well as additional conservation.	29
Richard Clark Danville	Supports the proposal that was put forth. I favor strongly a WSMP including additional storage.	30
	It would be unfair to change the current rate structure and have pricing by East vs. West. There are many more ways to conserve water and recycle water.	31
Lena Perkins Walnut Creek, graduate student at Stanford in environmental engineering/hydrology	We have an incredible challenge that we have to face right now. We are going to have some hard choices to make. A lot of our storage is in the Sierra snowpack and our surface storage is not sized to handle that. Interested in proposals for groundwater storage. Groundwater storage can provide closer storage and do not have evaporative losses.	32
	Reservoirs have large environmental impacts. In times of economic challenges and global climate change, we are	33



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	going to push for some things, but you cannot undo reservoirs. They build up a lot of sediment and have about a 100 year lifespan. There is a cartoon of John Muir when Hetch Hetchy was being built it looks like a perfect bathtub.	
	None of the choices is easy. An editorial was written about oil saying that we need to go offshore in California and to ANWR. This is also a good analogy for water supply. The more that you connect yourself to the need and the cost, the more you can make a well informed decision and there are merits to that. We need real, long-term solutions - not just band-aids.	34
	Desalinization has a huge energy cost and environmental impacts are not negligible.	35
	We live in an arid state and at some point, we have to embrace that. The groundwater that we built the state with is not there anymore.	36
Pat Von Behren River advocate and whitewater boater	Concerned about dams. There are already thousands of dams in the state. The most environmental and economic thing to do is pursue conservation. Lester Snow [DWR Director] estimates the economic impact of conservation vs. storage is a factor of 6. It is much more prudent to conserve and reuse water. Wasted water (e.g, water that is going onto the street) makes you wonder where these conservation measures are. Conservation makes most sense and covering up another river is a travesty.	37
Sigmund Esicsery Lafayette	Nowhere did I hear any mention of the waste of growing cotton and rice in a dry state. It is not grown in this District, but we are in one state. I think there are other things we can do to conserve water.	38

Not all comments were captured verbatim.

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1. The alternative development process included an in-depth evaluation of over 50 components and a range of portfolios before the Board selected the Preferred Portfolio. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives.
2. EBMUD acknowledges that the City of Walnut Creek has reduced water consumption by 18 percent and commends the City for this accomplishment.
3. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's support for the existing water rate system. Please see Responses SCSFB2-7 and SCSFB2-17 for further discussion of the District's rate structure.
4. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's support for the WSMP 2040.
5. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's support for the WSMP 2040.
6. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's support for the existing water rate system. Please see Responses SCSFB2-7 and SCSFB2-17 for further discussion of the District's rate structure.
7. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's support for the WSMP 2040.
8. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's support for the WSMP 2040.
9. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's support for the WSMP 2040.
10. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's water conservation efforts.
11. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's organization.
12. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's concerns regarding issues within the District service area.
13. The Preferred Portfolio includes three groundwater storage components: Bayside Groundwater Project Phase 2, Sacramento Basin Groundwater Banking/Exchange, and IRCUP/San Joaquin Groundwater Banking/Exchange. The Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component is also included in the Preferred Portfolio. Los Vaqueros Expansion (LVE) was included in the initial suite of supplemental supply components that were evaluated to determine if LVE should be carried forward as part of the WSMP 2040 portfolio development process. While LVE has merits, it was concluded that, based on the information available regarding LVE, LVE did not appear to best address the EBMUD's WSMP 2040 objectives. As a result it was not carried forward for further consideration as part of the WSMP 2040 Preferred Portfolio.
14. Buckhorn Canyon Reservoir was considered during the alternative development project, but it was removed from further consideration because it would not accomplish the project objectives. While a Buckhorn Canyon Reservoir would potentially shift impacts that could potentially result from storage projects in the Upcountry region to the East Bay, this project would still result in impacts similar to those associated with the creation of a new reservoir, particularly in a previously undeveloped area. The District recognized that the Buckhorn Canyon



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- Reservoir would not provide any benefits beyond the EBMUD service area and would not offer benefits to other regional partners that may be achieved through the Regional Upcountry Project components.
15. Please see Responses SCSFB2-7 and SCSFB2-17 for further discussion of the District's rate structure.
  16. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040. Impacts to aquatic habitat will be fully examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Please see the Master Response on Program-level EIR analysis.
  17. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040. Impacts to recreation will be fully examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Please see the Master Response on Program-level EIR analysis.
  18. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040. Impacts to visual resources will be fully examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Please see the Master Response on Program-level EIR analysis.
  19. Please see Response FC-70.
  20. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir and Enlarge Lower Bear Reservoir components of the WSMP 2040. EBMUD recognizes the importance of the Mokelumne River to the local community. Impacts to aquatic habitat will be fully examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Please see the Master Response on Program-level EIR analysis.
  21. Please see Response PM-WC-14.
  22. Please see the Master Response on Program-level EIR analysis as well as Responses BJo-1 through BJo-11.
  23. EBMUD agrees with the commenter that the District and the local community should work together to identify a water supply solution with regional benefits. When and if EBMUD decides to move forward with project-level planning for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component, it will seek local partners and the support of the local community.
  24. EBMUD acknowledges that the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component would involve a long and costly process. Consequently, EBMUD will seek local partners when and if project-level planning for this component moves forward. The Preferred Portfolio includes a range of components to give the District flexibility to address uncertainties such as timing of droughts and climate change. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040.



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25. EBMUD acknowledges this comment and recognizes the many recreational opportunities provided by the Mokelumne River.
26. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040. Please see the Master Responses on the WSMP 2040 and the Demand Study. The Preferred Portfolio includes a high conservation level as well as a range of other components to give the District flexibility to address uncertainties such as timing of droughts and climate change. Impacts will be fully examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Please see Response FC3-72 for a discussion of the economic analysis conducted for the WSMP 2040.
27. Please see Responses SCSFB2-7 and SCSFB2-17 for discussion of the District's rate structure.
28. EBMUD acknowledges that the Town of Danville has reduced water use by 15 percent and commends the Town for its efforts to promote water conservation.
29. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's support for the existing water rate system. Please see Responses SCSFB2-7 and SCSFB2-17 for further discussion of the District's rate structure.
30. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's support for the WSMP 2040.
31. The WSMP 2040 does not propose to change the District's rate structure. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's support for the existing water rate system. Please see Responses SCSFB2-7 and SCSFB2-17 for further discussion of the District's rate structure.
32. The Preferred Portfolio includes three groundwater storage components: Bayside Groundwater Project Phase 2, Sacramento Basin Groundwater Banking/Exchange, and IRCUP/San Joaquin Groundwater Banking/Exchange.
33. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's concerns regarding expanded reservoirs and new dams. Impacts will be fully examined in project-level EIRs when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir and Lower Bear Reservoir components. Please see the Master Responses on Program-level EIR analysis and the WSMP 2040. The Enlarge Pardee Reservoir and Lower Bear Reservoir components would not be needed if the Regional Desalination component is implemented.
34. EBMUD agrees with the commenter that identifying water supply solutions is not easy. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040. The Preferred Portfolio includes a wide range of components to give the District flexibility to address uncertainties such as timing of droughts and climate change.
35. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's concerns regarding the Regional Desalination component. Please see the Master Response on Program-level EIR analysis. Impacts will be fully examined in a project-level EIR when and if

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- the District decides to move forward with project-level planning for this component with its regional partners.
36. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 and Response PM-WC-34.
  37. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 and Response PM-WC-33.
  38. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040. The Preferred Portfolio identifies solutions to meet the District's Need for Water in dry years. It is not intended to support cotton and rice crops, which occur outside of the District's service area. EBMUD agrees with the commenter that water conservation is part of the solution, and the Preferred Portfolio includes a high level of conservation.



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#### **Public Meeting #5, San Andreas**

March 30, 2009 6:30 - 8:30 pm

Town Hall

37 Church Hill Street

San Andreas, CA

#### **EBMUD Board of Directors Attendees**

Doug Linney, Katy Foulkes, Andy Katz

#### **EBMUD Attendees**

Mike Tognolini, Tom Francis, Gerald Schwartz

#### **Project Team Attendees**

David Blau, Marcia Tobin, Kara Demsey

#### **Public Attendees (~173)**

Aaron Baisch

Addie and Paul Jacobson, Ebbetts Pass Forest Watch

Alan R. Willard, BMCYDF

Alex Lane, TSPN TV

Andela Montes

Ann Pestalozzi, Homeowner

Anna Garrison, Calaveras County resident

Arvada Fisher

Ashley Hitchcock

Barbara Grogan, Homeowner

Ben Robitaille

Bill Condrashoff, Amador Water Agency

Bob Dean, CCWD

Bok Geiszlei, citizen

Bonnie Gill, BMCYF

Brian Creekmore

Briana Creekmore, C.H.I.P.S.

Carol Aardal

Carol Phelps

Carrie Aronson, O.A.R.S.

Catherine Lamme, BMCYF

Charles Blasen

Chris and Maren Sampson, Homeowner

Chris Moore

Chris Peek

Chris Swann

Chris Wright, Foothill Conservancy

Christine Coleman



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Christine Saani, Calaveras Youth Mentoring  
Chuck Farr  
Colleen Platt, MyValleySprings.com  
Craig MacDonald, Wilderness Institute for Leadership Development  
Cynthia Kirby  
Dan Hendrycks, Mokelumne Hill  
Daniel O'Connell, FOCUS MT OAKS SCH  
Debbie Dunn, AWA  
Diane Price  
Don and Janyce Maund  
Don Bojnowski  
Don Stillwell  
Don Stump  
Dona Swanson  
Donna Farr, Calaveras County resident  
Eddie Berry, Foothill Conservancy  
Fred Velasquez, NATPUC STE  
Gary Tofanelli  
Glenna Larson  
Granite Swann  
Heidi Lawson  
Holly & Rick Mines, Community Action Project  
Hope Baird  
Howard Little, Realtor  
James Ketola  
James Rogers, O.A.R.S.  
Jane Tuck  
Janet Dock  
Janice Bassett  
Jeffe Aronson  
Jill North  
Jim and Linda Bass, Homeowner  
Joe David  
Joe Dell Orto  
John Hofmann  
John Kramer, citizen  
John McGroth  
Jonathan Fishman  
Joseph McCaster, resident; shop owner  
Joyce Carrillo



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Joyce Peek  
Joyce Techel, MyValleySprings.com CAP  
Judy Jebian, Alameda County Historical Society  
Justin T. Smith, PG&E  
Karen Egghets  
Karen O'Brien  
Katherine Eustis, Calaveras Youth Mentoring Program  
Katherine Evatt, Foothill Conservancy  
Kathleen duBois  
Kathy Juletz  
Kathy Mayhew, Keep It Rural Calaveras  
Ken and Nina Nakamura, Property owners  
Ken Houser  
Ken McJuliuf  
Kevin Brady  
Kevin Hansen  
Kyle Caires  
Larry Diamond, Calaveras County Water District  
Larry Lane  
Lauren de Remer, O.A.R.S.  
Leanne Bryan  
Lesli Daniel  
Lew Mayhew, Keep It Rural Calaveras  
Linda & Don Winn  
Linda Toren  
Lindsey Myers, CSERC  
Lorna Baisch  
Lynn Reinecke  
Madaline Reska, Resident  
Marc Adams  
Marge Grow, ON NDN Time  
Marian Coahran  
Marilyn & Jerry Meyer  
Marta Johnson Brady  
Mary Boblet  
Mary Pino  
Merilyn Hinsdale, Senior Center  
Merita Callaway, B of S - Calaveras  
Michael and Diane Kriletich  
Michael Boylson



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Michael Orrfelt  
Michael Wier, Burl Productions  
Norm Kolstad Jr. & Norm Kolstad  
Oliver Tarap  
Pat Bailey, Property owner  
Pat Noll  
Pat Pereira, Property owner  
Patty and Rick Jarratt, property owners  
Peggy Chambers, West Pt citizen  
Pete Bell, Foothill Conservancy  
Pete Hansell  
Phil McCartney, CCWD  
R.J. Wash, Auto worker  
Randy & Lori Claires  
Randy Berg, Foothill Conservancy  
Rex & Marlene Gideon  
Richard D Busman  
Rick Torgerson, West Point News/self  
Rob Hoffman  
Robert & Beverly Blakely, Paloma resident  
Robin Davis, First 5 Calaveras  
Ron Bassett  
Ron Winkler  
Sally Finch  
Sandra Billington, ON NDN Time  
Sean Kriletich, UCCE  
Sharon Ramano, concerned citizen  
Sheila Russo  
Shirley Ryan  
Silas Dyken, Blue Mountain Youth Center  
Steve Markle, O.A.R.S.  
Steve Wilensky, Calaveras Board of Supervisors, Supervisor District 2  
Susan Bragstad, Foothill Conservancy  
Susan Robinson  
Suzette Aruges  
Ted Dorris-Marsh  
Tillman Sherman  
Tina White, property owner  
Tobias Jordan  
Toby Jordan



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Tom Infusino, Calaveras Planning Coalition  
 Tyler Childress  
 Tyler Summersett, resident  
 Tyler Wendt, O.A.R.S.  
 Tyra McCart Swanson, O.A.R.S.; property owner  
 Veda Scherer, CA Native Plant Society  
 Vince Venezia  
 Violet Jakab, Calaveras  
 Wade Kriletich  
 J. R (unreadable), Calaveras County Mountain Miwok  
 Unreadable

### Presentation

The Presentation given at the public meetings and the Draft Program Environmental Impact Report (PEIR) are posted on EBMUD’s website here:

<http://www.ebmud.com/water & environment/water supply/water supply management program/default.htm>

### Public questions and comments

Commenter	Comment	Comment #
Steve Wilensky Calaveras Board of Supervisors, Supervisor District 2	<p>I would like to introduce EBMUD to their constituents. Newcomers, old-timers, originals, doctors, artists, teachers, ranchers, goat ropers, lawyers, kayakers, fishing fanatics, bird watchers, etc. What we have around here is a history of lively disagreements. Thank you for bringing us all together on an issue like this tonight. We are unified by a sense of place and a love for the place. That is the kind of feeling that you will get from us tonight.</p> <p>Real partners do not treat each other this way. We are ready to step up. The quality and quantity of water has a lot to do with what we do on the slopes of the river. We share this common interest with EBMUD. We would ask you to consider us as an equal partner and not have you reveal your Preferred Portfolio to us. Please do not go down this road.</p>	1
	<p>We are concerned about the process. We expect a partnership with our downstream neighbors. But how we handle the transaction is important. No one from the upcountry area was represented on the CLC, which is a matter of concern. We are getting mixed signals from EBMUD. All the plans that are going into this area (e.g., Coast to Crest Trail) are part of the mixed messages that we are getting - it would be flooded by an enlarged Pardee Reservoir. We have worked in the watershed with EBMUD and we do a lot together, and</p>	2



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	then suddenly we feel like we are on the outside looking in. The upcountry meetings have seemed like an afterthought.	
	This dam as a preferred option is wrong in a big way. There is a huge cost to building dams and that should make us think carefully. And that does not even include the mitigation costs.	3
	The safety of our people needs to be considered. Middle Bar Bridge is a fire evacuation route right now. If it is gone, people will have to swim in the case of an emergency evacuation. This is a health and safety effect in our area.	4
	The loss of fishing as well as kayaking safety is important to us. The boating that happens on the Mokelumne River brings a lot to our economy - recreation the only growing part of our economy. Long-term economic plans are built around recreation in this county.	5
	There are viable alternatives. It strikes me as galling - we are talking about technology. Are we going forward or backward? A dam? Why aren't people building them anymore? Because they cost a lot. Dams are charmingly retro. It reminds me of a bumper sticker: "A strong America should invest in derigables."	6
	Alternatives are: conservation. How we manage the watershed as well as what you do in the Bay represents an important opportunity. Consider a partnership with upcountry and the timber industry on investing in the maintenance of the watershed. Invest in the love of the place that you could capitalize on for your own benefit. We can do forest stewardship like no other place.	7
	Desalinization is something that a lot of other countries are doing. Look at your alternatives. Think about the amount of sun that we get up here. Why not use our solar capacity up here to run your desalinization plant in the Bay Area. Thank you again for being here.	8
Bill Condrashoff Amador Water Agency	After your last meeting, the AWA board had a meeting and we had the largest turnout that we have had since I've been a Board member. The Board directed the staff to send a letter to EBMUD [handed the letter out to the EBMUD Board members and read the first paragraph of the letter].	9
	Amador Water Agency is opposed to the project as it is currently proposed.	10
Chris Wright Foothill	I want to note that the AWA Board had a unanimous vote (5) to oppose the Pardee enlargement.	11





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Conservancy	I am a 4 <sup>th</sup> generation Mokelumne River Watershed resident. The Foothill Conservancy is thankful that you came to listen. We are strongly opposed to flooding the Electra and the Middle Bar reaches. We will supply endless documents in opposition to the EIR. The Mokelumne is a hard working river. It starts at Blue Lakes and every few miles, you have another dam. This river provides a tremendous amount of electricity and water, as well as flood control. We say this river is dammed, and the last few segments need to be protected for our wildlife, fisheries, and recreation.	12
	We also think EBMUD does not really need this additional water supply. We looked at the water need assumption and found that the water need is two times the projected growth of the area, which is described as infill development. If you combine the lack of a true need for water as well as drought rationing that is included in the plan (the lowest number of 10%), it is very politically feasible to do better than that. Most citizens in the East Bay are willing to sacrifice more if they realize that they would be killing off another segment of river.	13
	If you look at the cost, the overall cost of this project is close to \$1.6 billion. That amount of money can go a long way toward conservation and other projects that do not dam this river.	14
	You rejected expanding/constructing reservoirs that affect your local area. You took that off the table down there, but we cannot vote, so you put it as a preferred alternative to enlarge a reservoir up here. It is an environmental justice issue. Take enlarge Pardee off the table. Call an emergency board meeting tomorrow and have them say that this won't happen.	15
Bob Dean Self, Calaveras County Water District, Upper Mokelumne River Watershed Authority	I have made a commitment to the Mokelumne River and the process that identified the Mokelumne River. I have supported the IRCUP feasibility studies, but it has not gone much further than that. I would vote against the WSMP if I could.	16
	There are several process issues: the saline issues that are in the Central Valley. It's a statewide issue and is related to the Bay-Delta fix.	17
	There is also the issue with groundwater overdraft and climate change. Tends have been against surface storage - no one has considered the evaporative losses of surface storage due to climate change. If you look at all of the surface storage that we have in the state, we lose about 2 million acre-feet per year due to evaporation. That is about the same amount of water that is stored in Shasta Dam. You need to look at groundwater recharge as potential storage. Groundwater storage would help subsidence and salinity issues in the Delta.	18



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	One of my biggest issues is that we have a complexity of problems that have not been addressed and they need to be looked at holistically, not just in silos. We have problems of fragmentation. Until all of the issues are looked at equally, we cannot consider surface storage. I would suggest that we really consider as many of the issues as possible before making decisions. Quoted: "Our problems will not be solved by the same solutions that created them."	19
Judy Jebian Board Member of Amador County Historical Society	I oppose this project because of the impacts to historical/cultural resources. The Middle Bar Bridge was listed in 1985 on the NRHP. Documentation is not sufficient mitigation.	20
	Appendix E of the PEIR lists a number of resources that are eligible for listing on the California register of historic places. These are important resources that we need to preserve, for their continued use now and into the future for all of us.	21
Violet Jakab	I also spoke at the Amador County meeting. According to California water law, you have to look at water recycling and conservation. You have tertiary wastewater that you should use as a resource before taking away Mokelumne River water.	22
Dona Swanson Amador County	I just have questions: Who pays for the project and for the dam? Who all pays? Where does the money come from? Who pays if there is an earthquake and something happens to the dam? Who pays for the catastrophe?	23
	If this dam should go through, would the Bay Area water recipients still be able to build backyard swimming pools at the expense of ruining our backyard swimming hole, the Mokelumne River?	24
Tom Infusino Calaveras Planning Coalition	[Thanked the Foothill Conservancy for bringing the sound equipment.]	25
	There are a few flaws in the Program EIR. In the areas of controversy listed in the PEIR, it does not list the controversy over recreation. In addition, the traffic section does not look into the effects of removing the Middle Bar Bridge.	26
	The EIR does not make an attempt to quantify greenhouse gas impacts of construction or the traffic impacts from construction. EIRs need to do this.	27
	We appreciate the challenges that you face in the Bay Area. We are willing to find mutually beneficial solutions. Calaveras County could use plumbing retrofits that EBMUD could provide and that would save water. We have Green Building professionals in the county that can help.	28



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	Expanding Pardee Reservoir is an old solution. We offer the opportunity to invest today and in the future in a variety of solutions using the expertise of the people of Calaveras County.	29
Marian Coahran San Andreas	I am involved in many plan groups [listed them] and I helped create the water element of the Calaveras County General Plan. I enjoy using the Mokelumne River for recreation. Dams are only one solution to meeting the water need.	30
	I have read that much of the water used in the Bay Area is for landscaping. You should minimize water for landscaping and not waste water (e.g., watering during a storm or during the winter). Building a dam to help perpetuate bad behavior would be a crime.	31
Norman Kolstad Land owner	You came to my property and did some engineering on the pretexts of raising the existing dam. The project was abandoned - gone. All of a sudden, I find out you want to put a dam where my house is at. You did not contact me. You back-doored me, you are back-dooring these people. You are liars.	32
George Wendt O.A.R.S.	I am the head of O.A.R.S., a local rafting company. I see the Mokelumne River as a very valuable resource. The Mokelumne River from Electra Powerhouse to Middle Bar Bridge is a special reaction area. You are not allowed to run commercial river trips on it (just one per year as a charity fundraising event), but I would like to in the future.	33
	I would like to ask a question: have any of the Board members been on this section of the river? [All of the Board members said yes]. Offered to facilitate at trip for anyone on the Board who would like to take a trip on the river.	34
	The economy - gas prices were way up this year. Business went up because Californians were vacationing closer to home. In our local area, unemployment is high and recreation could make a good impact on the local community. It is a great Class II river, great for senior citizens. The section of the river below the Highway 49 Bridge is the most beautiful section and I urge that you preserve that. If we are allowed, we would like to operate on this stretch of the Mokelumne River this year.	35
	Please extend the April 6 deadline.	36
Christine Coleman	[Referred to her and her dog's love of the river.] Many love that stretch of the river. It is a special and sacred place to us. It means a lot that it is there and available for us to enjoy in all its beauty.	37
	I support Steve Wilensky's comments.	38
	What kinds of choices are we going to make at this point in our county? We elected Barak Obama as President of this county. We are looking for change and new ways to approach problems. Do we want to continue the same-old same-old, throw something bigger at	39



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	the problem and take from Mother Earth?	
	The Mokelumne River is a gem of a river. It is alive and brings life to all of us. There is a way to get the water you need without having to take a natural resource like the Mokelumne River and stopping it from flowing.	40
Tillman Sherman San Andreas	I have come to learn in the past few weeks that I am an activist. I work hard for things I support. I do not support this. My wife does not support this either. San Andreas does not support this. The San Andreas Sanitary District, Calaveras County, Calaveras Democratic Party, Rural Caucus, Progressive Caucus, the Environmental Caucus, TBRC, the Calaveras Planning Coalition, the Foothill Conservancy, the Sierra Club - does not support this.	41
	I encourage you to find a path of less resistance than what you are going to incur. You will meet a lot of resistance for this project. We are fed up of others coming and pillaging our area (also referred to logging). We will organize and we will fight for our precious water. With all due respect, find another alternative.	42
Carol Phelps	Has EBMUD ever demanded mandatory water conservation of their clients? With that being said, the presentation suggested that there will be benefits to Amador and Calaveras counties - I did not hear any benefits for Calaveras County. I would like to throw that back to you - you are not giving us very much.	43
	Thanks for coming up. It was not intentional for you to come over here since it was not on your original schedule, so it feels rather secondary. But thank you.	44
Patt Peirera Campo Seco	I am requesting an extension of time for public review of the EIR. The public needs another 30 days or more to respond. Availability of the EIR was not posted in appropriate areas; you did not notify property owners - we need full disclosure. Are we to put our lives on hold for the next 30 years to wait and see what you are going to do? Noted that she has not seen the EIR. She has not been notified as a landowner downstream. Your 31 year timeframe versus my 8 days to review and respond to the EIR is most intimidating and I resent it. I am here tonight to complain about it. You could have sold the EIR CD's here at the meeting. There was only one copy of the EIR at the library. You are forcing us to be confrontational. I was not able to retrieve the EIR off the internet. March 28 is when the EIR was put on the shelf at the library and you cannot check it out. The other 7 libraries in the area did not receive a copy of the EIR or CDs. The EIR is very long. EBMUD is not providing information in a timely manner. EBMUD is going through the motions and making a minimal effort at public participation. You need to extend the	45



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	deadline for adequate participation and response.	
	Had I not read the local paper on March 11, I would not have known about the public meetings. I went to the Lodi and San Andreas meetings. EBMUD has commented that the 4 public meeting were sufficient and it is all that is required by law. Thank you Steve Wilensky for the meeting being held in Calaveras County today. Calaveras County was purposefully excluded from this process.	46
	After the 31 year planning period, won't the issues change?	47
	The other issue below Pardee is public land, BLM land. BLM land is public land, not EBMUD land and I am concerned that the public might lose it. I would hope that there would be public meetings if there are any changes in public land uses. [provided the Board with a map of the area]	48
	Thank you for holding this meeting tonight. It is important that Calaveras County is represented.	49
Holly Mines Calaveras Planning Coalition	Thank you for the opportunity to speak. Does not want to repeat comments that have already been made. Things that she has not heard already: in the presentation, noticed that as staff, your aim is to provide for your customers and ratepayers. On your PowerPoint slide, two of the goals are to minimize costs to your customers and to minimize the need to ration water. While you have done a number of projects in our area (e.g., sponsorship of the effort to create the Coast to Crest Trail), we are now looking at the possibility of the trail being under water. While we respect your attention to your customers and ratepayers, we would like you to encourage you to let your ratepayers know where their water comes from and encourage them to come out and see it and to minimize their water use.	50
	I went on the EBMUD website and read the EBMUD mission statement and strategic plan, they are more brief than the EIR. Read several parts of the mission statement and strategic plan:  Mission: Manage the natural resources with which the District is entrusted... and to preserve and protect the environment for future generations  Strategic plan: Minimize environmental footprint. Support the wellbeing of communities. Goals: Protection of public trust values, considering community concerns.  One wonders who is included in the "community." Does it include just your service area or does it include us as well? When we are talking about a precious resource, I would hope that you would broaden your definition of "community."	51



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Joe David Tuolumne County	I have a small business in the area and I know this will negatively affect the tourism industry.	52
	I am looking forward to the future for my children and what we will have left and protect for the future. The spiritual quality of the river. I noticed the charts in the PowerPoint presentation - how do you measure the spirit of a community in numbers?	53
Angela Montes  Representing people and wildlife	I am 20 years old and have not had a chance to see the river. I have lived here for most of my life, but I have not had the exciting experience that these people [other attendees at the public meeting] have experience. That you might take it away before I can experience it myself... I am struggling to keep my life together. In thinking about the dreams and history of my town that you are defiling, that I have not had the chance to enjoy. I had thought that this was a place for people to come and retire, but now I am trying hard to support the community. I want to take my future children to the river. But if you destroy that, I will not be able to do that.	54
	You will be destroying fish. There are birds that live in the trees that you are going to be flooding. There are important species that thrive along that river that you are flooding. You are taking everything away.	55
Jeff Aronson	Just returned after a 35 year hiatus from this area. Back when I used to live here, the issue was the Stanislaus River and the New Melones Dam. That project destroyed the heart and soul of our community. It is an honor to be among the passionate people that are with us today. Persistence counts. We thought we had won it several times before, but if you keep coming back, you'll win the day.	56
	I just came back from my other house in Australia in Victoria. Victoria is experiencing a 12 year drought. There are folks there who are trying to live through it. I must admit to having lived in the East Bay before and I experienced leaving the faucet dripping and flushing down many gallons of water. I now understand what it means to pump the water out of the river and to really respect that resource. The folks in San Francisco do not really understand what it takes to get from here down to there. I would have to say that they have Class 4 and 5 water restrictions in Victoria Australia right now - they have to. They are building desalination plants and forcing people not to fill pools and not to water their lawns. The San Francisco area needs to take responsibility for their water use and not force us to pay the price for their use of water.	57
Katherine Evatt  Foothill Conservancy	I want Calaveras County to know that you are not alone in opposing this project. Many oppose the enlargement of Pardee Reservoir. Caltrout, Friends of the River, American Whitewater, the Sierra Nevada Alliance, several Sierra Club chapters, Amador Water Agency, the City of Jackson, etc. As you are hearing, many local	58





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	residents oppose raising Pardee Reservoir.	
	The EIR cannot express what the River means to us, that is not built into the CEQA process.	59
	It is time for the East Bay to find other ways of supplying its water. EBMUD should preserve the last free flowing miles that remain of the Mokelumne River.	60
Sean Krietlich	I grew up in Paloma. I drink the water from the Mokelumne River. I urge EBMUD not to complete this project. Stop thinking about this project right now. There are many alternatives. There are a few alternatives that I have not heard.	61
	EDAW changed its tune from Sutter Creek to now in significant ways.	62
	The population on planet earth is doubling every 7-9 years. Are we going to go back to solutions that were used when the population was doubling every 40 years? We cannot use the same solutions that we did then, now.	63
	In your PowerPoint presentation, you said that there will be 20% less rainfall due to climate change in the future. I studied global warming at the University of California. I learned there will be more rain and it will be spread more over the year. A larger water storage area is impractical. It won't work. The rainfall patterns do not support this kind of project.	64
	Use all of the money that it would cost to enlarge Pardee to educate your population in the East Bay and industry in order to conserve water (applause). Education is an age old tool that is rarely used now. You could do a lot with that money to teach people how they can do it themselves.	65
	I road my bike across the Mokelumne River a few days ago in the morning and saw about 35 people there fishing from the bridge. They are not wealthy. They cannot be here tonight because they are working or do not have money for gas. Some people need the food they are getting from the Mokelumne River from the Middle Bar Bridge. Your plan would reduce overall access to the Mokelumne River. Please do not do this.	66
Katherine Eustis	Director of a youth group. I urge your reconsideration. My organization takes the whitewater rafting trip down the Mokelumne River that George Went referred to and very much enjoy it.	67



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Michael Orrfelt	A lot of things that have been said tonight [by the public] will hopefully affect you. A constituency is missing tonight though, the children and grandchildren. You are the custodians. It is hard to undo a dam and make a river hole again. You will affect those here are those that are not alive yet. Wants the future generation to be able to enjoy that river.	68
	Your engineering will be shortsighted. The world is changing, change with it. Do not do a 1920's solution. We have a dam - it will not help us in the long run. Be conservative.	69
Joseph McCaster Representing family	I am a 6 <sup>th</sup> generation member of this county. I have hundreds of stories of my family at the river. I grew up fishing off of Middle Bar Bridge. I have a 2 year old son that I want to teach to fish off of that bridge. I have been up to Electra and swam it more times than he can say. It is history for us, for our family, for our children to inherit. I want to see my grandchildren and great grandchildren go fishing on that river. A friend died of old age fishing on that bridge. Can't say more than that - it is history to protect for everyone to pass on to family and friends. History is everything. Take away history, and you take away our identity.	70
Tyra Mcart Swanson	I am not going to discuss the environmental concerns, I am a capitalist. I have financial concerns. At least we can recreate on New Melones. Asked the crowd: how many people have been to the shores of Pardee - not that many, because you cannot even swim in it.	71
	Why it is that EBMUD customers pay less for their water than the customers of Calaveras and Amador County?	72
	How old are those aqueducts? Have they been repaired? Have a lot of problems with the leaking aqueducts. Should spend the money there instead of building another dam.	73
Marge Grow California Valley Miwok	Tribal member of the California Valley Miwok. I am a product of adoption. I have gotten over to the Middle Bar where there is a sacred willow gathering place that is very special to us. [Showed a cradle board that was made from that willow patch.] This cannot be taken away from us. I do not want my kids to grow up reading about me in a book. I want to be able to teach the children about the sacred gathering spot of the willow.	74
Fred Velasquez Natpuk	Thanks for letting us speak. I have been observing the faces of the Board. They are not very well moved. You represent millions of people who want the water, but we are only a few. But our concerns are just as important.	75
	I want to speak about the animals that live on the water. This project would destroy the riparian zone which supports all of the life on the mountains and hillsides around it. Mountain yellow-legged frogs and other species are likely present in the area. All of the animals, deer,	76





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	rattlesnakes, go down to the river.	
	We disassociate ourselves from the watershed - it is just a commodity to you. You hear what it represents to others. It was the Miwok birthright. Our concerns seem like less because our numbers are small. The identity of Native people is with the land.	77
	I have worked with EBMUD to promote the willow gathering place and to educate K-12 children at local schools; that has brought me a lot of knowledge and my life here has brought me that same thing.	78
	When I was becoming a grandfather 17 years ago, I would have been saddened if I knew that no salmon would be there. The hatchery helps with that, but there were times in the past when EBMUD was just willing to pay the fine for not making releases. I would like you to consider that there are things that are more important. Quoted Corbin Hardy: "Water is in trouble. We are all in trouble."	79
John Kramer Calaveras County resident	Technical question: I would like to know if the future costs of developments in desalinization are considered? Nanotechnology may significantly decrease the cost of reverse osmosis in the future.	80
	The adequacy of the resource was not adequately assessed in the EIR. It is one of the few places you can take your children on a raft, not crowded.	81
	I would challenge the Board to accept applications for concessioner permits on this stretch of river until this is dealt with. If you do not allow for concessioners to operate here, that precludes looking at the economic value of this stretch.	82
	I understand your problems. There is a lot of money involved in these projects, you have hired excellent consultants, but you cannot quantify the price of destroying a river.	83
Jill North Amador County	There was a different slant at today's presentation from what was given in Amador County. You are certainly concerned with your image, if not with our concerns. You talked about "we" and "our", but not "us."	84
	Last time [at the Sutter Creek meeting] I mentioned Portfolio C, Buckhorn Dam, which would serve your area, but it was voted down by referendum. We are disenfranchised, we don't get to vote.	85
	There are no numbers about the loss of oaks and oak woodlands from this project.	86
	PG&E's FERC water rights concerns.	87



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	Last time we spoke about the leakage of water between Camanche Dam and Lake Lodi. I did not find any information on the aqueducts in the PEIR. Leakage of the aqueducts could be fixed. Not sure if the channel downstream of Camanche can be fixed (in your domain), but the aqueducts can.	88
	Several raptors species were not listed in the PEIR (listed several).	89
	I also looked at the growth rate. There is always is a disclaimer that water won't increase growth. [Quoted growth inducement text from the PEIR Impact 7-1].	90
Sandra Billington, Crow Nation	[Spoke in Crow to introduce herself and say a few other words in Crow.] I am from the Crow Nation. The Crow are from Montana. I have lived in Amador County for over 20 years. I have been welcomed by the indigenous people of these counties. I have learned how to gather their materials and I have learned some of their language. These materials will not be there in the future for other native people to gather if you guys get your way.	91
	[Read a history of a massacre]. I am not reading this to make you feel guilty. I heard the consultant say that there are less than significant impacts to cultural sites. In the mid 1800's, the Indians were fighting back against the Mexicans and land barons. It has been said that this massacre happened in the Middle Bar region. This could very well be a very very important cultural site which will prevent you, hopefully, from flooding Middle Bar. If this massacre happened at Middle Bar, there will be added opposition to your project.	92
	For years, corporations, greedy landowners, whoever you might want to name, have continued to take our heritage and culture.	93
Tyler Summersett	I want to offer you a complement - I live and work in this community and county and I have never had a turnout like this for one of my events.	94
	This is also Mark Twain country. One of the things Mark Twain said was: "whiskey is for drinking and water is for fighting over." We are here tonight to fight, not literally.	95
	The lifecycle is constrained by four things: air, nutrients, temperature, and water. If the East Bay area does not have enough water, they do not get to grow. Thank you.	96
Mary Boblet	Resident of Hathaway Pines. I work for the Coast to Crest Trail and have taught children about stream ecology. Our population is about double what the water infrastructure was built for in California. What we are looking at is a chance to bust the paradigm, to bring about the change that we are seeking. You have our permission to take these comments and bring about some balance to the Sierra Nevada region and the state of California. There is a lot of technical thought that went into the EIR, but you have not looked into all of the	97



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	alternatives. Where are the ideas that we are seeing in Syria? Do you really want to be the leaders? Yes, you can do that if you look outside of the old paradigm. California is giving you permission to look outside of that paradigm as well. Please take a moment to do that.	
Arvada Fisher, Miwok	Ancestors of this land taught me how to take care of this water. This is where I was taught to gather the basket materials. I am the native plant specialist for the Miwok. I oppose this taking of the water, the land.	98
	[Welcomed her family to come up to the microphone and introduced them.] I would also like to thank EBMUD for having this opportunity for our family to support each other on this. Problems arise in life, but things like this help us to stand together.	99
	We have many children that we teach the plants, and the medicine, and how to listen to the water and heal. We go over to the Mokelumne. If you take that from us, we'll have a lot of problems on our hands. We'll be looking for the psychotherapist (joke).	100
Marge Grow, Miwok	We give a dam(n), we don't need another one.	101
Michael Weir	The Middle Bar stretch is very critical habitat to some of our more iconic species that we have here. I grew up here. The best part about growing up here was listening to the birds and having outdoor experiences, seeing wildlife. You do not have those experiences down in the Bay because you have built it up so much. The Mokelumne is a bit of a refuge. Species are declining. A lot of species cannot deal with the presence of people, so the Mokelumne is a bit of a refuge. It is part of the migration corridor for the deer and big cats. It is one of the few non-fenced areas for migration.	102
	We have already lost part of our heritage due to EBMUD. We have lost salmon, trout, but there are remnants left. Middle Bar is the best spawning habitat for trout. To preserve that for the trout would be nice.	103
	You have not talked about managing your units better rather than creating more storage. You can dredge sediment from your reservoirs which would decrease methane releases (which contributes to global warming), and it could increase the storage capacity of these reservoirs. Dredging could create local jobs, the sediment could be used as backfill for other projects, and you could potentially harvest some gold out of there.	104
	Every animal has a soul and a right to live. Think about better solutions. Thank you.	105

Not all comments were captured verbatim.

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1. The District has identified the potential for the Enlarge Pardee component to be undertaken as a regional project with partners and community support. Please see the Master Response on Program-level EIR analysis. Impacts will be thoroughly examined in the project-level EIR for this component, when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning.
2. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's sentiment that residents of the Central Sierra Foothills did not feel included in the WSMP 2040 development process, including but not limited to having no representation on the Community Liason Committee (CLC). EBMUD concurs with the commenter's statement that EBMUD has worked hand in hand with local (Foothill) agencies and interest groups on watershed-related matters, particularly in recent years since the formation of the Upper Mokelumne River Watershed Authority and the Mokelumne River Forum. EBMUD is aware that Foothill representatives expect EBMUD to be willing to partner with them on water-related matters, including projects that would increase Foothill water supplies. As EBMUD has stated in many of the public meetings held during the WSMP 2040 process, EBMUD is open to such partnership opportunities (and moreover is encouraged by them).

The WSMP 2040 CLC was assembled in 2007 following input from the EBMUD Board of Directors. Each Director was asked to identify one or more individuals who could speak to the water supply related needs and interests of those that reside in the particular portion of the EBMUD service area represented by said Board member. The CLC was not intended to exclude the voice of a particular interest group, including those that represent constituencies that are generally based in the central Sierra Foothill region.

PEIR Notice of Preparation (NOP) meetings were held in the spring of 2008. Specifically, a meeting was held inside the EBMUD service area and a second was held outside the service area. The location for the outside service area was selected because it was centrally located (central in that residents of the Sacramento Region, the San Joaquin Region, and the Foothill Region all could attend without undue travel required). Information was also sent via regular mail and was posted on the EBMUD website. Notice was also published in newspapers with circulations in the service as well as in Sacramento and the Upcountry.

Written comments received (to the NOP) from select Foothill interest groups indicated disappointment that an NOP meeting was not held in the Foothills. As a result, EBMUD determined that once the PEIR was available in draft form, a separate meeting would be held in the Foothills to solicit input. A second Foothill meeting was organized based on the large turnout for the first event. EBMUD does not consider this an afterthought, but instead indicative of the District's willingness to reach out to the Foothill community to garner responses to the Draft PEIR. In total, five public meetings were held to discuss the Draft PEIR.

EBMUD recognized the need for an additional public meeting beyond the original four meetings scheduled to receive comments on the Draft PEIR. A fifth public meeting was held at the San Andreas Town Hall in Calaveras County on March 30, 2009.

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3. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040. As stated in the Master Response on the WSMP 2040, EBMUD will pursue multiple supplemental supply components simultaneously, with the most cost-effective and efficient projects being pursued first.
4. EBMUD does not plan to eliminate access in the Upcountry region. Impacts on Middle Bar Bridge and access will be thoroughly examined in the project-level EIR for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component, when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning. Please see the Master Responses on Program-level EIR analysis and the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component and Response FC-32.
5. EBMUD recognizes the many recreational opportunities provided by the Mokelumne River (please see pages 4.2.D-5 through 4.2.D-6 of the Draft PEIR and Response FC-24). Impacts to recreation will be thoroughly examined in the project-level EIR for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component, when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning. Socio-economic impacts will also be examined as part of the project-level analysis, and resulting physical environmental impacts will be mitigated to the extent feasible.
6. The alternative development process included an in-depth evaluation of over 50 components and a range of portfolios before the Board selected the Preferred Portfolio. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives.
7. EBMUD supports increased water conservation and has included a high level of conservation in the WSMP 2040. The alternative development process included an in-depth evaluation of over 50 components and a range of portfolios before the Board selected the Preferred Portfolio. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives.
8. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's support for desalination. EBMUD supports desalination and has included the Regional Desalination component in the WSMP 2040.
9. EBMUD acknowledges the Amador Water Agency's written comments, dated March 27, 2009. Please see Responses AWA-1 through AWA-6.
10. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the WSMP 2040, and specifically to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component.
11. EBMUD acknowledges Amador Water Agency's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040. Please also see Response AWA-1.
12. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee component of the WSMP 2040. EBMUD concurs that the various dams on the

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- Mokelumne River serve as a source of water supply, electricity, and flood control. EBMUD is aware of the commenter's opposition to projects that could affect a stretch of the River he has identified as a currently free flowing segment. EBMUD acknowledges that the commenter plans to submit an extensive comment letter on behalf of his organization, the Foothill Conservancy. Please see Responses FC3-1 through FC3-75 for responses to this comment letter. Additionally, please see the Master Responses on the WSMP 2040, Program-level EIR analysis, and the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component.
13. Please see the Master Response on the Demand Study for a discussion of demand assumptions and projections. EBMUD selected a rationing level of 10 percent in part because of the potential difficulties in achieving higher levels as demand hardens and conservation measures are implemented. As stated on page 2-7 of the Draft PEIR, the benefit of targeting a 10 percent rationing level in the WSMP 2040 is that it preserves the flexibility to increase rationing above 10 percent as one of several possible responses to dry-year conditions. EBMUD will be unable to reduce the target rationing level to 10 percent until it develops additional dry-year supplemental water supplies. As new supplemental supplies are secured, EBMUD will be able to gradually reduce the level of rationing it imposes on its customers. Until supplemental supplies are secured, higher rationing restrictions may be imposed in a specific drought event.
  14. The District acknowledges the commenter's support for water conservation and other soft path projects. EBMUD supports increased water conservation and has included a high level of conservation in the WSMP 2040. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives.
  15. While a surface water reservoir project (e.g., Buckhorn Canyon Reservoir) within the EBMUD service area was not included in the Preferred Portfolio, it was reviewed in the Draft PEIR (see pages 3-41 through 3-45, and pages 6-12 through 6-15). In addition, a number of service area projects, such as Bayside Groundwater Project Phase 2 and water recycling projects, are included in the WSMP 2040 Preferred Portfolio. EBMUD commits to reviewing environmental justice issues related to any Preferred Portfolio component when and if it advances to the project-specific stage of development. Please see the Master Response on Program-level EIR analysis. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component.
  16. EBMUD appreciates the commenter's support for feasibility studies for the IRCUP / San Joaquin Groundwater Banking / Exchange component of the WSMP 2040. EBMUD further acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the WSMP 2040.
  17. Please see Response FC-27.
  18. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's support for groundwater storage. EBMUD supports groundwater banking and has included three such components in the WSMP 2040: Bayside Groundwater Project Phase 2, Sacramento Basin



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Groundwater Banking / Exchange, and IRCUP / San Joaquin Groundwater Banking / Exchange.

19. The alternative development process included an in-depth evaluation of over 50 components and a range of portfolios before the Board selected the Preferred Portfolio. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives.
20. Please see Response ACHS-1.
21. As noted in ACHS-2, Mitigation Measure 5.2.H-1d (see page 5.2.H-6) provides that where avoidance to historic structures is impossible, typical mitigation to reduce the impact would be to develop and implement a data recovery plan including preparation of Historic American Engineering Record (HAER) documentation.

When and if EBMUD decides to move forward with project-level planning for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component, a project-level EIR will be prepared that will identify all feasible mitigation measures to reduce or avoid impacts on cultural resources. Please see the Master Responses on Program-level EIR analysis and the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component.

22. The alternative development process included an in-depth evaluation of over 50 components and a range of portfolios before the Board selected the Preferred Portfolio. As stated in the Master Response on the WSMP 2040, the District is committed to implementing high levels of water conservation and recycling.
23. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's concerns regarding project financing. Financing options would be considered for the various Preferred Portfolio components when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning. Those options may include but are not limited to rate-payer financing, use of grant funding to offset costs, determining partnership opportunities to share in costs, etc. Cost estimates were prepared for the various components based on information that was available at the program level. This cost information was then factored into the overall evaluation of the projects for portfolio consideration.

EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's concern regarding how costs would be covered if damage occurred during some catastrophic event or natural disaster. In the event of such an occurrence, federal, state and local funds can be made available to address these needs. The issue of water supply reliability is an important factor included in the WSMP 2040, and consequently the Preferred Portfolio includes a range of supply options, from new surface water and groundwater storage to expanded use of conservation measures and recycled water elements.

24. EBMUD acknowledges that the commenter would like to see added restrictions placed on the District's service area homeowners, including prohibiting what the commenter views as water wasting amenities. While WSMP 2040 includes an extensive water conservation program that fosters wise use(s) of water, EBMUD



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- does not have the authority to prohibit swimming pools from being installed or from being present.
25. Comment acknowledged.
  26. Please see Response FC-6 for a discussion of the areas of controversy. Please see the Master Response on Program-level EIR analysis. Project impacts on recreation, transportation, and other resources will be thoroughly evaluated in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Please see Response PM-SA-4 above for a discussion of Middle Bar Bridge.
  27. Please see Response FC-66.
  28. EBMUD, through its participation in the Upper Mokelumne River Watershed Authority (UMRWA), works with Foothill agencies such as the Calaveras County Water District (CCWD) and Calaveras Public Utility District (CPUD) on issues pertinent to water supply and water conservation within the Mokelumne River watershed. UMRWA encourages participants to implement water conservation programs and strategies, and provides assistance based on the merit of these programs. It is likely that UMRWA will support plumbing retrofits over the coming years.
  29. The alternative development process included an in-depth evaluation of over 50 components and a range of portfolios before the Board selected the Preferred Portfolio. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives.
  30. EBMUD recognizes the many recreational opportunities provided by the Mokelumne River (please see pages 4.2.D-5 through 4.2.D-6 of the Draft PEIR and Response FC-24). The alternative development process included an in-depth evaluation of over 50 components and a range of portfolios before the Board selected the Preferred Portfolio. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives.
  31. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's belief that a large percentage of water used by EBMUD customers is for landscaping (outdoor watering) needs, and that the commenter would like EBMUD to prohibit certain uses of water within the service area, such as watering yards during winter months and/or during storm events. EBMUD's existing conservation program includes measures to reduce outdoor water use. In times of drought, EBMUD has in the past worked to prevent irresponsible outdoor water uses. The proposed conservation component in the WSMP 2040 builds upon the premise that measures which reduce the use of water for landscaping are warranted.
  32. Notice of the availability of the Draft PEIR was published in the Amador Ledger Dispatch as well as in the Sacramento Bee, the Stockton Record, the Contra Costa Times and the Oakland Tribune. Notice was also posted on EBMUD's website. Please see the Master Responses on Program-level EIR analysis and

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- the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Impacts will be thoroughly examined in the project-level EIR for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component, when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning. Notice of the public scoping period as well as the public review period for the project-level EIR will be provided in accordance with CEQA requirements.
33. EBMUD recognizes the many recreational opportunities provided by the Mokelumne River (please see pages 4.2.D-5 through 4.2.D-6 of the Draft PEIR and FC-24). Please also see Response FC-49 for a discussion of the Electra Run. Impacts to recreation will be thoroughly examined in the project-level EIR for this component, when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning. The project-level EIR will also identify specific mitigation measures to reduce significant impacts.
  34. A number of EBMUD Board members have on several occasions taken advantage of opportunities made available by groups such as the Foothill Conservancy to raft the stretch of the Mokelumne River downstream of PG&E's Electra Dam. Additionally, Board members have all attended meetings held at the District's existing Pardee facilities, and during and/or following said meetings they have visited lands adjacent to the river and upstream of the reservoir.
  35. EBMUD recognizes the many recreational opportunities provided by the Mokelumne River (please see pages 4.2.D-5 through 4.2.D-6 of the Draft PEIR and FC-24). Project impacts related to recreation, socio-economics, and other resources will be thoroughly examined in the project-level EIR for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component, when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning. The project-level EIR will also identify specific mitigation measures to reduce significant impacts.
  36. EBMUD extended the public review period for an additional 4 weeks beyond the original 45-day review period. The comment period ended on May 4.
  37. EBMUD recognizes the many recreational opportunities provided by the Mokelumne River (please see pages 4.2.D-5 through 4.2.D-6 of the Draft PEIR and Response FC-24). Impacts to recreation will be thoroughly examined in the project-level EIR for this component, when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning. The project-level EIR will also identify specific mitigation measures to reduce significant impacts.
  38. Comment acknowledged. Please see Responses PM-SA-1 through PM-SA-8 above.
  39. The alternative development process included an in-depth evaluation of over 50 components and a range of portfolios before the Board selected the Preferred Portfolio. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives.
  40. EBMUD recognizes the importance of the Mokelumne River to the local community.

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41. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040. Please see Response FC-6 for a discussion of local opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component.
42. The alternative development process included an in-depth evaluation of over 50 components and a range of portfolios before the Board selected the Preferred Portfolio. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives.
43. EBMUD has a program in place that encourages water conservation by our existing customer base (essentially rewarding those that implement conservation measures vs. taking a punitive approach). EBMUD requires use of water-saving measures and fixtures for new construction in its service area. Regarding the potential for benefits to Foothill region (including Amador and Calaveras counties), as EBMUD presented during the workshops conducted as part of the WSMP 2040 Draft PEIR, there is the potential for Foothill agencies to partner in a proposed Enlarge Lower Bear Reservoir project and/or an Enlarge Pardee Reservoir project. Such partnerships, if and when a project is developed, would provide a water supply benefit (and cost share benefit) to local residents.
44. EBMUD conducted extensive outreach as part of the development of the WSMP 2040. In addition to the Draft PEIR public review meeting held on March 16, 2009, in Amador County, EBMUD held four other public meetings, two of which were held within counties near Amador County (Calaveras County and San Joaquin County). The purpose of the above-referenced March 16, 2009 WSMP Draft PEIR public meeting in Amador County (as well as of the other four public meetings) was to receive comments from the public regarding EBMUD's WSMP 2040 effort as detailed in the environmental document. All comments received at the meetings were recorded by EBMUD staff, and EBMUD has responded to these comments as part of the Final PEIR.

Beyond the five public meetings noted above, EBMUD staff gave presentations on WSMP 2040 during a City of Plymouth City Council meeting (March 30, 2009), and staff were present during the March 2009 meeting of the Amador County Board of Supervisors (on April 16, 2009) as well as the meeting of the Amador Water Agency (on April 23, 2009). In addition, during this same period, EBMUD staff participated in several interviews with local media (the Amador Ledger Dispatch, the Calaveras Enterprises, as well as the local Jackson, CA television station, in an attempt to further address local questions.

45. Please see Response PM-SA-36 above.
46. Please see Response PM-SA-44 above.
47. EBMUD acknowledges that issues may change beyond the 2040 planning horizon, and they may even change during the 31-year planning period. Consequently, the Preferred Portfolio includes a range of components that provide the District with flexibility to address uncertainties, such as climate

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- change and the timing of droughts. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040.
48. Please see Responses BLM-1 and BLM-7.
  49. EBMUD appreciates the input of citizens in Calaveras County. Please see Response PM-SA-44 above.
  50. EBMUD supports water conservation and has included a high level of conservation in the Preferred Portfolio.
  51. EBMUD's mission statement and strategic plan was developed not only to address the needs and interests of the District's service area, but also in consideration of the resources under its control. Those resources include the EBMUD-owned Pardee and Camanche facilities and lands. The District also holds watershed and River related responsibilities and thus is a steward of the River's water resources. EBMUD shares those responsibilities with other water rights holders on the river.
  52. Project specific impacts on small businesses along the Mokelumne River would be addressed when and if the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component moves forward into a project-specific stage of development. Please see the Master Response on Program-level EIR analysis.
  53. EBMUD recognizes the importance of the Mokelumne River to the local community. Project impacts will be thoroughly examined in the project-level EIR for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component, when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning. The project-level EIR will also identify specific mitigation measures to reduce significant impacts.
  54. Please see Response PM-SA-53 above.
  55. At this stage, there is no certainty regarding the impacts of the potential Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Impacts to fish and wildlife will be thoroughly examined in the project-level EIR for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component, when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning. The project-level EIR will also identify specific mitigation measures to reduce significant impacts.
  56. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's contention that the New Melones Reservoir, which was constructed in Calaveras County in the 1970s, harmed the local community. EBMUD was not involved in that particular project. Potential impacts of the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component will be considered in greater detail as part of project-specific environmental documentation to be developed when and if the project advances forward.
  57. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's contention that the District could learn from the experiences of Australian water agencies. EBMUD also acknowledges

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the commenter's contention that Bay Area residents need to use water more responsibly.

EBMUD has for many years shared information and experiences on the management of our water systems (supplies, drought strategies, etc.) with a water agency based in Melbourne, Australia (the Yarra Valley Water Agency). As sister agencies, we trade staff and expertise in order to leverage the mutual experiences gained. Further, in the spring of 2009, EBMUD met with representatives of a consortium of Australian water agencies (who serve various communities within the State of Victoria, AU) to discuss our WSMP 2040 approach, at which time we received positive feedback for our forward thinking strategies toward water supply, including our aggressive conservation and recycled water programs. They too recognize the need to address dry year shortages through the use of expanded storage opportunities (surface and groundwater) and elements such as desalination.

EBMUD's conservation program seeks to educate its customers on the wise use of water. This program will continue and expand as part of the WSMP 2040 implementation.

58. Please see Response FC-6 for a discussion of local opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component.
59. EBMUD recognizes the importance of the Mokelumne River to the local community. Project impacts will be thoroughly examined in the project-level EIR for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component, when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning. The project-level EIR will also identify specific mitigation measures to reduce significant impacts.
60. The alternative development process included an in-depth evaluation of over 50 components and a range of portfolios before the Board selected the Preferred Portfolio. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives.  
  
Project impacts will be thoroughly examined in the project-level EIR for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component, when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning. The project-level EIR will also identify specific mitigation measures to reduce significant impacts.
61. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the WSMP 2040, and specifically to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. The alternative development process included an in-depth evaluation of over 50 components and a range of portfolios before the Board selected the Preferred Portfolio. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives.
62. Comment acknowledged.
63. The WSMP 2040 is intended to identify solutions for EBMUD's dry-year water needs; it is not intended to support new growth. The alternative development

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process included an in-depth evaluation of over 50 components and a range of portfolios before the Board selected the Preferred Portfolio. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives.

64. EBMUD prepared a climate change sensitivity analysis to determine how climate change could affect EBMUD's water supply (please see Chapter 8, Cumulative Analysis, of the Draft PEIR). While uncertainties exist regarding the effects of climate change, it is expected that changes to the timing and quantity of rainfall and to the Sierra snowpack would occur that would affect the District's water supply. Because of these uncertainties, the Preferred Portfolio includes a diverse range of components including conservation, water recycling, and increased storage (both groundwater and surface storage) as well as desalination and rationing. The diverse range of components will provide the District with the flexibility to address uncertainties that may affect the District's water supply in dry years.
65. Please see Response PM-SA-14 above.
66. EBMUD recognizes the importance of the Mokelumne River to the local community. Project impacts related to recreation, socio economics, and other resources will be thoroughly examined in the project-level EIR for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component, when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning. The project-level EIR will also identify specific mitigation measures to reduce significant impacts.
67. EBMUD recognizes the many recreational opportunities provided by the Mokelumne River (please see pages 4.2.D-5 through 4.2.D-6 of the Draft PEIR and Response FC-24). Impacts to recreation will be thoroughly examined in the project-level EIR for this component, when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning. The project-level EIR will also identify specific mitigation measures to reduce significant impacts.
68. EBMUD recognizes the importance of the Mokelumne River to the local community. Project impacts will be thoroughly examined in the project-level EIR for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component, when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning. The project-level EIR will also identify specific mitigation measures to reduce significant impacts.
69. At the project level, the District would examine options for siting of a new dam, evaluate the type of dam, identify suitable embankment elevations, and develop associated reservoir storage volumes and yields. The District will prepare a project-level EIR that will thoroughly examine potential impacts when and if project-level planning moves forward for this component.

The alternative development process included an in-depth evaluation of over 50 components and a range of portfolios before the Board selected the Preferred Portfolio. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives.



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70. EBMUD recognizes the importance of the Mokelumne River to the local community. EBMUD further recognizes the many recreational opportunities provided by the Mokelumne River (please see pages 4.2.D-5 through 4.2.D-6 of the Draft PEIR and Response FC-24). Please see Response FC-49 for a discussion of the Electra Run. Project impacts will be thoroughly examined in the project-level EIR for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component, when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning. The project-level EIR will also identify specific mitigation measures to reduce significant impacts.
71. As stated in the Master Response on the WSMP 2040, EBMUD will pursue multiple supplemental supply components simultaneously, with the most cost effective and efficient projects being pursued first. At this stage, there is no certainty regarding the impacts of the potential Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Impacts to fish and wildlife will be thoroughly examined in the project-level EIR for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component, when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning. The project-level EIR will also identify specific mitigation measures to reduce significant impacts.
72. EBMUD reviews its water rate structure on a regular basis. The rate system is based on a need to cover the District's annual operation and maintenance expenses as well as capital costs associated with such activities as developing new projects to meet the Need for Water. EBMUD has a tiered rate system that works to fairly and accurately distribute the costs for water service among its 1.3 million customers. The rate systems used by other water agencies are typically based on similar cost considerations, although EBMUD is not in a position to comment as to why a particular agency and its governing board elects to impose certain rates on its customers.
73. EBMUD has three aqueducts that were constructed between 1925 and 1963. EBMUD has an "Aqueduct Section" based in Stockton, CA that performs regular inspection and maintenance. The aqueducts are in good shape and do not pose a risk of excessive leakage.
74. EBMUD recognizes the importance of the Me-wuk people and their cultural practices. The Me-wuk are discussed on page E-9 of Appendix E, Cultural Resources, to the Draft PEIR. EBMUD will consult with the Me-wuk and will conduct a thorough evaluation of cultural resources impacts, including impacts on current cultural practices and any sacred sites, in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. In Section 4.2.H.2 of the Draft PEIR, Cultural Resources Setting for Preferred Portfolio Components, a new paragraph is added after the first paragraph to the text under the heading Enlarge Pardee Reservoir, as follows:
- The native Me-wuk people inhabit Amador and Calaveras counties, and have a black willow gathering site in the Middle Bar area. The Me-wuk manage the willow stand and gather material there for baskets and cradleboards as well as for traditional tribal medicines.
75. Please see Response FC-6 for a discussion of local opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component.

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76. At this stage, there is no certainty regarding the impacts of the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Impacts to fish and wildlife will be thoroughly examined in the project-level EIR for this component, when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning. The project-level EIR will also identify specific mitigation measures to reduce significant impacts.
77. EBMUD recognizes the importance of the Me-wuk people and their cultural practices. The Me-wuk are discussed on page E-9 of Appendix E, Cultural Resources, to the Draft PEIR. EBMUD will consult with the Me-wuk and will conduct a thorough evaluation of cultural resources impacts, including impacts on current cultural practices and any sacred sites, in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component.
78. Please see Response PM-SA-74 above.
79. Impacts to fisheries will be thoroughly examined in the project-level EIR for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component, when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning. The project-level EIR will also identify specific mitigation measures to reduce significant impacts.
80. As stated in the Master Response on the WSMP 2040, EBMUD will pursue multiple supplemental supply components simultaneously, with the most cost effective and efficient projects being pursued first.
81. Please see the Master Response on Program-level EIR analysis. Project impacts on recreation will be thoroughly evaluated in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component.
82. The commenter's request to consider allowing concessioner permits on the stretch of river downstream of State Route 49 was addressed by the EBMUD Board of Directors as a separate matter from the WSMP 2040 effort. The Board determined that it was not in the District's best interest to grant such permits. Project specific impacts of the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component, including socio-economic impacts, will be addressed if and when the project advances into the project-specific planning stage.
83. EBMUD recognizes the importance of the Mokelumne River to the local community. Project impacts will be thoroughly examined in the project-level EIR for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component, when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning. The project-level EIR will also identify specific mitigation measures to reduce significant impacts.
84. EBMUD has held many public meetings regarding the WSMP 2040 effort, including a series of meetings following the release of the Draft PEIR, one of which was held in Sutter Creek. That meeting and another one held in San Andreas were held to receive public comments on the Draft PEIR. The meetings were not held with the intent of changing and/or improving the image of EBMUD.



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85. EBMUD's Board of Directors recommended the WSMP 2040 Preferred Portfolio and its components. The Preferred Portfolio was not put to a vote within the District's service area. EBMUD held workshops during the portfolio development process to solicit public input. All members of the public were invited to attend, including those that reside outside of the District's service area.
86. Please see the Master Response on Program-level EIR analysis. Project impacts on biological resources, including oak woodlands, will be thoroughly evaluated in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. The project-level EIR will also identify specific mitigation measures to reduce significant impacts.
87. Please see Responses PGE-2 through PGE-5.
88. Please see the Master Response on Program-level EIR analysis.
89. The Draft PEIR recognizes a number of raptor species in its discussion of special status wildlife potentially occurring in the Upcountry (please see pages 4.2.C-11 through 4.2.C-12 and Table 4.2.C-3 on pages 4.2.C-16 through 4.2.C-17). Additional information is provided in Appendix C (please see pages C-43 through C-46). Please see the Master Response on Program-level EIR analysis. Biological resources, including raptor species, will be thoroughly examined be fully examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component.
90. Please see Response PM-SA-63 above.
91. EBMUD recognizes the importance of the Me-wuk people and their cultural practices. Please see Response PM-SA-74 above.
92. EBMUD acknowledges the historic significance of Middle Bar (please see pages 4.2.H-5 - 4.2.H-6 and Appendix E of the Draft PEIR). Project impacts to cultural resources will be fully examined when and if EBMUD decides to move forward with project-level planning for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. The project-level EIR will also identify all feasible mitigation measures to reduce or avoid impacts on cultural resources.
93. Project impacts to cultural resources will be fully examined when and if EBMUD decides to move forward with project-level planning for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. The project-level EIR will also identify all feasible mitigation measures to reduce or avoid impacts on cultural resources.
94. Please see Response FC-6 for a discussion of local opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component.
95. EBMUD recognizes the importance of the Mokelumne River to the local community. Please see Response FC-6 for a discussion of local opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component.

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96. Please see the Master Response on the Demand Study for a discussion of demand assumptions and projections.
97. Please see the Master Response on the Demand Study for a discussion of demand assumptions and projections. The alternative development process included an in-depth evaluation of over 50 components and a range of portfolios before the Board selected the Preferred Portfolio. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives.
98. EBMUD recognizes the importance of the Me-wuk people and their cultural practices. Please see Response PM-SA-74 above.
99. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040.
100. EBMUD recognizes the importance of the Me-wuk people and their cultural practices. Please see the Response PM-SA-74 above.
101. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040.
102. Project impacts on wildlife, including special status species, will be thoroughly evaluated in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. The project-level EIR will also identify specific mitigation measures to reduce significant impacts.
103. Project impacts on fisheries will be thoroughly evaluated in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. The project-level EIR will also identify specific mitigation measures to reduce significant impacts.
104. The alternative development process included an in-depth evaluation of over 50 components and a range of portfolios before the Board selected the Preferred Portfolio. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives.
105. Project impacts on wildlife will be thoroughly evaluated in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. The project-level EIR will also identify specific mitigation measures to reduce significant impacts. The alternative development process included an in-depth evaluation of over 50 components and a range of portfolios before the Board selected the Preferred Portfolio. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives.

## 2.4 Late Comments Submitted After Close of Public Review Period

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## 2.4.1 Federal Agencies

Comments received after the extended comment period.

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Dear Mr. Francis:

The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Folsom Field Office appreciates the opportunity to comment on the Proposed East Bay Municipal Utility District's Program Environmental Impact Report (PEIR) evaluating the Water Supply Management Plan 2040.

BLM Folsom Field Office recognizes the need for EBUD to have a long term plan for reliable water supply to meet customer demand in the future but BLM currently cannot support the raising Pardee Reservoir Alternative. BLM has recently completed the Sierra Resource Management Plan (SRMP) and Record of Decision February 2008 which evaluated and concluded the North and Main Forks of Mokelumne River both Eligible and Suitable for possible inclusion into the National Wild and Scenic River System. Outstanding and Remarkable Values identified in the BLM SRMP included cultural, water quality, and scenic values. Inundation of up to 4000 feet upstream of Highway 49 Bridge would have a direct and adverse effect on these values as well as a direct and adverse effect on the free flow condition of the river. BLM is to protect and enhance these values while Congress has an opportunity to decide whether the North and Main Forks of the Mokelumne River should be included into the National System. BLM cannot support any proposed project that would have a direct and adverse effect on the free flow condition or on the identified outstandingly remarkable values.

BLM was also a signatory to the settlement agreement for the relicensing of PG&E's hydroelectric project on the Mokelumne River Project (137). This was one of longest relicensing projects on the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission books, encountering 28 years of issuing one year licenses because of the controversy surrounding the projects. Through intensive negotiations between agencies, licensee, and NGO's this settlement outlined a series of license conditions for the continued operation of PG&E's facilities on the North Fork Mokelumne River. Instream flows were discussed and agreed upon for aquatic and fisheries resources, riparian habitat, amphibians, recreation, water quality and water temperature. Any proposal that would impact the settlement agreement in place could have detrimental and unmitigatable impacts to these resources.

BLM supported and helped secure public access to the Middle Bar reach of the Mokelumne River (below Highway 49 to Pardee Reservoir), which had been closed to public access for more than 30 years. State funds were expended by California State Boating and Waterways which

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guarantees public use of these facilities for at least 20 years. BLM has also been working on a boating put-in/take-out facility at Big Bar adjacent to State Highway 49 Bridge on the Calaveras side of the Mokelumne River in order to provide safe ingress and egress for boaters and day users. BLM has expended thousands of hours of staff time and engineering in the last seven years in developing this project. Recently BLM has been given the go ahead to build this project and we have obtained all the necessary permits to do so. Once the project is complete, this facility will be open for public use for 30 years with an option to renew our lease. BLM, California State Boating and Waterways, and PG&E will have spent nearly \$ 800,000 to complete this critical public access facility per license condition number 32. Inundating Middle Bar Bridge access and Big Bar access would impact the negotiated terms of the Project 137 and virtually would destroy one of the best remaining Class I and II whitewater boating runs in the state. BLM negotiated boating flows in Project 137, license conditions 28 and 29, for whitewater boaters because it recognized the importance of this run to recreation enthusiasts for boating and water play activities. With an expansion of Pardee Reservoir Project boundaries intruding another mile of river also impacts the ability of the public to have body water contact of any sort along Electra road and along private property within that area. This would have a huge impact on day use activities by the public and private landowners. Where would swimmers, tubers, and fisherman be able to takeout before they entered the expanded reservoir boundary? The Electra run is known as one of the premier beginning whitewater boating runs in the state. Eliminating public access will deny these opportunities for the public, and it will encourage continued public trespass onto private property and will encourage unsafe parking by the public along Electra Road and Highway 49. BLM also believes inundating the Electra run will have a detrimental impact on private land owners that live along the Calaveras side upstream of Highway 49 Bridge. Residences along this stretch of river would not be able to access their homes and the Bed and Breakfast would be prevented from conducting their business during inundation periods. BLM does not support the raising of Pardee Reservoir Alternative because of the potential unmitigatable impacts it will have on these resources and to possible altering of FERC's license conditions.

#### A) Land Use & Recreation Setting

Page 4.2.D-6 describes recreation in the Electra Run area of the Mokelumne River. It merely describes boating uses. This segment of river is also used for other types of recreation including wading, picnicking, gold panning, tubing, swimming, and wildflower viewing (especially in the spring), and year round fishing. The areas' proximity to the Amador County seat of Jackson, its relatively flat terrain, and its road access make it an especially valuable recreation area for local families, local seniors, and the physically challenged. Please include a description of these recreational uses of the river in the final PEIR

#### D) Visual Setting

The BLM has identified for the North, Middle, and Main segments of the Mokelumne River to manage as a Class I scenic objective using the BLM's Visual Resource Management Plan. BLM's Goal is to: Protect and enhance the scenic qualities and visual integrity of the characteristic landscapes in the planning area. With inundation by raising Pardee Reservoir Alternative the VRM objective would not be met. Visible impacts to the landscape including




bath tub type rings, loss of riparian vegetation, and erosion would contribute to a degraded scenic condition thus not meeting the BLM VRM objective in the Sierra Resource Management Plan.

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With all of the opposition to raising Pardee Reservoir and the impacts it would have on the public, private land owners, and the natural resources BLM is requesting your Alternative Raising Pardee Reservoir be dropped from further consideration in your Final PEIR . Thank you for allowing BLM to comment on your Water Management Plan 2040 and BLM looks forward in working with EBMUD in the future along the Mokelumne River watershed.

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Sincerely;



William Haigh  
Folsom Field Manager

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BLM-1. The comment states that the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) cannot currently support the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component or any proposed project that would have a direct and adverse effect on the free flow condition of the identified segment of the Mokelumne River or on the identified outstandingly remarkable values and states that BLM is to protect the cultural, water quality, and scenic values of the Mokelumne River while Congress has the opportunity to decide on the Wild and Scenic designation.

The federal Wild and Scenic Rivers Act of 1968, Public Law 90-542, seeks to preserve certain rivers with outstanding natural, cultural, or recreational values. The Act authorizes the Secretaries of the Interior and Agriculture to study areas and submit proposals to the President and Congress for additions to the national wild and scenic river system. The Act provides three levels of protection: wild, scenic, and recreational. "Wild" rivers, according to the Act, are "[t]hose rivers or sections of rivers that are free of impoundments and generally inaccessible except by trail, with watersheds or shorelines essentially primitive and waters unpolluted. These represent vestiges of primitive America." "Scenic" rivers are defined as "[t]hose rivers or sections of rivers that are free of impoundments, with shorelines or watersheds still largely primitive and shorelines largely undeveloped, but accessible in places by roads." "Recreational" rivers, according to the Act, are "[t]hose rivers or sections of rivers that are readily accessible by road or railroad, that may have some development along their shorelines, and that may have undergone some impoundment or diversion in the past." (Id., § 2(b)(1-3).) Designation of a river as part of the wild and scenic river system does not mean that the river segments above and below the designated segment cannot be developed and these portions could remain available for water diversion and water impoundment.

As noted, in February 2008, BLM adopted the Sierra Resource Management Plan (RMP), which governs management of public lands and resources under the jurisdiction of the BLM's Folsom Field Office. In BLM's Record of Decision for the RMP, a section of the Mokelumne river from below Electra to just below the Highway 49 Bridge was determined to be eligible and suitable for inclusion as recreational. Congress has not acted on the determination.

Depending on the configuration, it is possible that a project to raise Pardee Dam could inundate the segment of the Mokelumne River above the Highway 49 Bridge that has been determined to be eligible for inclusion in the national wild and scenic river system. The extent of that inundation and impacts on identified values, however, cannot be determined unless and until EBMUD develops detailed design proposals for this component at the project level. For example, project designs could be developed to preserve recreation in the form of canoeing, kayaking, and wildlife viewing. The Draft PEIR recognizes and identified, at a preliminary, general, and programmatic level, the possible effects that inundation would have on recreational, water quality, biological, and cultural resource values within the Mokelumne River, and proposes a number of mitigation measures to address those potential impacts (see, e.g., Draft PEIR, pages 4.2H-5, 4.2.H-6, 5.2.A-6, and 5.2.H-3 through 5.2.H-7). Please also see Master Responses on the Programmatic Level of review and Enlarge Pardee Reservoir. If EBMUD moves forward with project-

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level planning for the Raise Pardee component in the future, EBMUD will work with BLM to avoid direct and adverse effects on identified outstandingly remarkable values and will ensure that the requirements of the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act are satisfied.

- BLM-2. The Draft PEIR references the Project 137 settlement agreement and recognizes its importance for balancing conflicting uses of resources in the watershed (please see pages 4.2.D-6 and 4.2.D-7 of the Draft PEIR). EBMUD also complies with the FERC Project 2916 Joint Settlement Agreement, as well as agreements with PG&E in the Lodi Decree. If EBMUD, as part of the inter-regional effort, pursues an additional water storage project or upgrades to existing projects that involve elements of Project 137, or the flows that were negotiated as part of the relicensing, EBMUD will engage in discussions with all stakeholders regarding the project-level studies and potential impacts and will seek to do this with its regional partners.
- BLM-3. The comment discusses the take-out and put-in/take-out facilities on the River and elements of the Project 137 relicensing and the importance of whitewater boating on the Mokelumne River. Please see the Master Responses on Program-level EIR analysis and the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Impacts to recreation facilities and activities will be fully examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning for this component. At this time, any detailed evaluation of the degree to which the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component would inundate and thus affect the whitewater runs or put-in/take-out facilities on the Mokelumne River is speculative. At the project level, impacts to recreation and related facilities would need to be evaluated and mitigated to the extent feasible. It should also be noted that the time horizon for this project is approximately 20 years or longer. In addition, in the PEIR, there is a discussion of the importance of recreational boating and means of mitigating potential impacts.
- BLM-4. Current state law prohibits body contact recreation in drinking water supply reservoirs. Typically, the California Department of Public Health defines the reservoir boundary as the aerial extent of the reservoir at full elevation. Full elevation is typically defined as the elevation of the spillway and not the elevation of some flood surcharge elevation. Under the configuration put forth at this program-level stage, this would place the body contact restriction at or near the area of the Highway 49 Bridge. It is not anticipated that there would be prohibitions on body contact above the Highway 49 Bridge. Since most of the property below the Highway 49 Bridge is under EBMUD ownership and body contact is already restricted in this area pursuant to the EBMUD Rules and Regulations, the proposed enlargement would restrict, but not dramatically diminish, the areas where body contact recreation currently occurs. As noted in the Draft PEIR, any recreational impacts would be evaluated in detail at the project level and specific mitigation measures would also be set forth if and when EBMUD goes forward with the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Please also see Response BLM-3 and Master Responses on Enlarge Pardee and Programmatic Review.

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- BLM-5. The comment discusses potential impacts to private landowners upstream of the Highway 49 Bridge. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Please see the Master Responses on Program-level EIR analysis and the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. As part of the development of a project that would potentially inundate additional areas, EBMUD would discuss potential access issues with private landowners and seek to mitigate any impacts. The Draft PEIR identifies relocation of roads and bridges as an element of the Enlarge Pardee and Lower Bear Reservoir components, and includes mitigation for disruptions associated with relocating that access. (Draft PEIR, at 5.2.E-3 and E-4.) Whether the access point at the Highway 49 Bridge would need to be relocated is a project detail that can only be worked out as part of design and planing, and would be a part of the project-level analysis at a future date. Impacts to properties along the river will be fully examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning for this component.
- BLM-6. As the comment notes, there are many recreational activities that occur along the Mokelumne River. The text on page 4.2.D-6 of the Draft PEIR, first paragraph, is revised as follows:
- The Electra Run extends approximately 3 miles from below the PG&E Electra Afterbay Dam to the SR 49 bridge (FRWA, 2003). Access to the put-in for the whitewater run is from SR 49 and Electra Road, near the Electra Picnic Area. Two take-out areas are used by boaters: one on Electra Road approximately 0.5 mile upstream from the SR 49 bridge, and the other at the SR 49 bridge. The run has a gradient of about 25 feet per mile and encompasses about 12 rapids ranging in difficulty from Class II to Class III. The resource is a very short 1-day run, which boaters often boat twice in one day. Two Class II/Class III rapids distinguish the run--the Chute, approximately 1.74 miles downstream from the Electra Powerhouse Afterbay Dam, and an s-turn about 2.31 miles downstream from the dam. The run features a slalom course site where the Sierra Club holds its annual Mokelumne River Slalom Race in mid-October. This segment of the river is also used for other types of recreation including wading, picnicking, gold panning, tubing, swimming, and wildflower viewing (especially in the spring), and year round fishing.
- BLM-7. As noted by the comment and the Draft PEIR, visual qualities within an enlarged impoundment area on the Mokelumne River may degrade the scenic resources in that area. This is identified in the Draft PEIR as a "potentially significant" impact of the Enlarge Pardee and Lower Bear components. At this stage, however, it is not possible to discern the extent of this impact. In the event that EBMUD moves forward in the future with project-level analysis of the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component, EBMUD will seek to maintain the scenic qualities in the area and would will with BLM to address any concerns regarding conflicts with the goals set forth in the RMP. It should be noted that the threshold for significance under CEQA may be quite distinct from the criteria applied by BLM under its Visual Resource Management (VRM) Plan and VRM Objectives. According to the Draft PEIR, the Enlarge Pardee component would have a significant effect on a visual

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resource if it would “[s]ubstantially degrade the existing visual character or quality of the site and its surroundings.” (Draft PEIR, at 5.2.1-1.) Specific details regarding impacts and their significance can only be evaluated once design-level planning occurs. Please see the Master Responses on Program-level EIR analysis and the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component.

- BLM-8. EBMUD acknowledges the opposition of the BLM Folsom Field Office to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component as well as the public controversy surrounding this component. Please see the Master Responses on the WSMP 2040 and the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component.

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## 2.4.2 State Agencies

Comments received after the extended comment period.

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CYNTHIA BRYANT  
DIRECTOR

May 5, 2009

Thomas B. Francis  
East Bay Municipal Utility District  
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Subject: Water Supply Management Program 2040  
SCH#: 2008052006

Dear Thomas B. Francis:

The State Clearinghouse submitted the above named Draft EIR to selected state agencies for review. On the enclosed Document Details Report please note that the Clearinghouse has listed the state agencies that reviewed your document. The review period closed on May 4, 2009, and the comments from the responding agency (ies) is (are) enclosed. If this comment package is not in order, please notify the State Clearinghouse immediately. Please refer to the project's ten-digit State Clearinghouse number in future correspondence so that we may respond promptly.

Please note that Section 21104(c) of the California Public Resources Code states that:

"A responsible or other public agency shall only make substantive comments regarding those activities involved in a project which are within an area of expertise of the agency or which are required to be carried out or approved by the agency. Those comments shall be supported by specific documentation."

These comments are forwarded for use in preparing your final environmental document. Should you need more information or clarification of the enclosed comments, we recommend that you contact the commenting agency directly.

This letter acknowledges that you have complied with the State Clearinghouse review requirements for draft environmental documents, pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act. Please contact the State Clearinghouse at (916) 445-0613 if you have any questions regarding the environmental review process.

Sincerely,

Terry Roberts  
Director, State Clearinghouse

Enclosures  
cc: Resources Agency

**Document Details Report  
State Clearinghouse Data Base**

**SCH#** 2008052006  
**Project Title** Water Supply Management Program 2040  
**Lead Agency** East Bay Municipal Utility District

**Type** EIR Draft EIR

**Description** The EBMUD proposes to adopt and implement WSMP 2040 which estimates water supply needs to the year 2040, and proposes a program of policy and project initiative to meet those needs. WSMP 2040 identifies and recommends a Preferred Portfolio of solutions to meet dry-year water needs through 2040.

In Normal and Above Normal water years there is sufficient precipitation in the Mokelumne River Basin to provide EBMUD with an adequate supply of water under its Pardee and Camanche municipal water rights. In drier years, there is inadequate Mokelumne River flow conservations and recycling programs. Therefore, it is essential for EBMUD to develop dry-supplies would supplement - but not replace - EBMUD's existing water rights and supply from Mokelumne River.

Increased water demand through 2040 by other water agencies that rely on the Mokelumne Basin for their supply, expected growth within EBMUD's own service area, and the potential effects of climate change on river flow or primary drivers behind why EBMUD cannot rely in the future only upon stored water in its existing reservoirs during times of drought. ESMP 2040 has been prepared to counteract future dry year water supply shortages.

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**Project Location**

**County**  
**City**  
**Region**  
**Lat / Long**  
**Cross Streets** Various locations  
**Parcel No.**  
**Township**

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**Proximity to:**

**Highways**  
**Airports**  
**Railways**  
**Waterways**  
**Schools**  
**Land Use**

**Project Issues** Aesthetic/Visual

**Reviewing Agencies** Resources Agency; Department of Conservation; Department of Fish and Game, Region 2; Department of Fish and Game, Region 3; Department of Parks and Recreation; San Francisco Bay Conservation and Development Commission; Caltrans, Division of Transportation Planning; Department of Health Services; State Water Resources Control Board, Division of Water Rights; Department of Toxic Substances Control; Native American Heritage Commission; State Lands Commission; Caltrans, District 4

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**Governor's Office of Planning and Research 2 (OPR2) - May 5, 2009**

OPR2-1. This comment confirms the extension of the public review period on the Draft PEIR to May 4, 2009. It does not address the content of the WSMP 2040 Draft PEIR.

## 2.4.3 Local Agencies, Utilities and Elected Officials

Comments received after the extended comment period.

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# BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Alice Lai-Bitker  
PRESIDENT  
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June 3, 2009

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Dear Mr. Francis:

I have reviewed the Preferred Portfolio that has resulted from the Water Supply Management Plan (WSMP) 2040 study and would like to express my support of the Preferred Portfolio and its flexibility.

As I see it, the Preferred Portfolio will meet long-term water supply needs and stretch the use of existing water supplies to the greatest extent possible. It includes conserving existing supplies to the maximum cost-effective amount, an aggressive water recycling program, water transfers that will maximize the use of existing infrastructure, and a regional desalination project in partnership with three other Bay Area water agencies. It also includes several groundwater storage projects both locally and in San Joaquin and Sacramento Counties, as well as an enlargement of two existing surface water supplies in the Mokelumne River watershed.

Given the anticipated growth of EBMUD's service region during the next 30 or more years and forecasts for global warming that may have an unpredictable effect on the volume and predictability of rainfall, I believe the District should pursue projects that reduce the need for water and provide more approaches and sources that impart a high level of flexibility in an ever evolving and changing environment.

I believe the Preferred Portfolio described in the WSMP provides these benefits and urge the EBMUD to adopt it. At this early stage any actions that would reduce EBMUD's flexibility and reliability do not make sense.

The Preferred Portfolio is a strong plan that will provide our residents and common constituents with long-term water supply reliability and flexibility to adapt to future uncertainties.

Sincerely,

Alice Lai-Bitker, President  
Alameda County Board of Supervisors, District 3

cc: Gregory L. Chan, EBMUD

**Alameda County Board of Supervisors 1 (ALCBOS1) - June 3, 2009**

ALCBOS1-1. EBMUD appreciates the support of the Alameda County Board of Supervisors of EBMUD's WSMP 2040 Preferred Portfolio, and further that you applaud EBMUD's flexible approach regarding water supply planning through the year 2040. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's support for conservation, water recycling, water transfers, and regional desalination, groundwater banking, and surface storage, all components that have been included in the WSMP 2040.





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June 11, 2009  
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Sincerely,

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cc: Gregory L. Chan, EBMUD

**Alameda County Board of Supervisors 2 (ALCBOS2) - June 11, 2009**

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Mr. Tom Francis  
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August 11, 2009

Dear Mr. Francis:

The Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors appreciated hearing of EBMUD's progress on the Water Supply Management Program (WSMP) 2040, and all of the work involved in planning for our future water supply. We truly appreciate EBMUD's efforts, particularly given the threats to a dependable water supply caused by climate change and many other factors.

The Board of Supervisors considered the preferred alternative contained in the WSMP and elected not to support the specific projects contained therein at this time, in part because we know this is the beginning of the process, rather than the end. We would be very interested in and would encourage EBMUD development and inclusion of a much larger array of potential alternatives in the environmental document and the WSMP. There may be additional projects that could indeed meet the priorities expressed by EBMUD that would provide supply to meet dry-year needs and provide additional benefits for a secure water supply well into the future.

Thank you for your consideration of our comments above, and we look forward to your responses to the comments we provided on the draft Environmental Impact Report. If you have questions, please contact Roberta Goulart of our staff, at (925) 335-1226, or [rgoul@cd.cccounty.us](mailto:rgoul@cd.cccounty.us).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Susan A. Bonilla".

Susan A. Bonilla, Chair  
Board of Supervisors

cc: Greg Chan, EBMUD

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## CCCSup

- CCCSup-1. EBMUD acknowledges the commenters' decision to not support specific projects contained in the WSMP 2040 Preferred Portfolio at this time, and invites the commenters to participate in EBMUD's future efforts on planning specific projects. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a description of the WSMP 2040 process for developing the Preferred Portfolio components. The process for developing the WSMP 2040 began by examining a very broad array of potential supplemental supply projects. The Draft PEIR considered a reasonable range of alternatives to provide a sufficient water supply during dry years. Subsequent project-level environmental review will be conducted for the projects included in the Preferred Portfolio, when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for an explanation of the process and implementation of policies and projects.

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July 6, 2009

Dear Mr. Francis:

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Program Environmental Impact Report for EBMUD's Water Supply Improvement Program 2040. We appreciate EBMUD's effort to plan for the future and we are pleased to be able to offer our comments on this Program.

The environmental document discusses the approach used to estimate future land use patterns and growth, and references city and county General Plans on page 7-2. Does the estimate of population growth anticipated within the District's Ultimate Service Boundary and/or Sphere of Influence take into account the regional multi-agency smart growth (Shaping the Future) policies and projections? It is our understanding these programs consider greater degrees of infill and greater growth in urban areas than many general plans currently address.

Page 2-13 discusses EBMUD's Mokelumne River water rights, indicating what rights the District has and its diversion capacity. Does the 2040 Program fully utilize EBMUD's existing, future water rights on the Mokelumne River? Similarly, on page 2-12, EBMUD's Freeport diversion facility on the Sacramento River is mentioned, although the water right is not specified here. How much water is EBMUD legally able to divert and will the WSMP 2040 fully utilize these resources? Does EBMUD hold any other entitlements to water that should be mentioned here, and would they be fully utilized in the 2040 Plan?

Very briefly mentioned on page 2-12 is the assumption that CVP water will be delivered to EBMUD after 2010 through the Freeport facilities. Some additional detail on that project and how it dovetails into this future planning scenario would be relevant here, particularly as water could be potentially taken at Freeport from other projects (such as

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water transfers, page 3-11 and as part of the Sacramento conjunctive use project on page 3-17). What kind of facilities are or would be in place to take CVP and other water? Will these facilities include treatment facilities of some kind? If so, relevant discussion from the Freeport Project should be presented as part of this document.

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Prior to and during development of the original WSMP in the early 1990's, the need for additional reservoir storage west of the Delta was determined to be of utmost importance by EBMUD and its customers, due to the very real threat of water supply disruption due to aqueduct rupture from an earthquake, flood or other catastrophe in the Delta. Because of the extreme controversy over the proposed Buckhorn Reservoir, the project was dropped at that time. There is mention of the defunct Buckhorn Reservoir, (page 3-45) and surprisingly, some re-consideration of this project for the purposes of this report. Even more surprising is the proposed expansion of the Los Vaqueros Reservoir Project, (a very real and timely option for collaboration) does not appear to have been given any real consideration. Given the import of reservoir storage on the west side of the Delta, was collaboration with the Contra Costa Water District (CCWD) considered, and if so, why isn't it included here?

The one-sentence reference to the Los Vaqueros Expansion Project (page 3-50) is incorrect and does not begin to address why this very key potential solution to bridge the water-supply gap is not examined in a much greater level of detail. Page 3-50 states that "These components were eliminated due to lack of definition of partners, benefits and timeline for implementation." Where this statement may be true for the Sites and Temperance Flat Reservoir alternatives (which were not realistic alternatives in any event), this is clearly not the case for the expanded Los Vaqueros Project. When EBMUD representatives were asked why an expanded Los Vaqueros was not considered, the high cost of treating reservoir water was the response. We are aware of a number of ways in which EBMUD could take high quality water through a collaboration with CCWD, such as at Freeport, or through exchange, etc. These options are discussed elsewhere in your document relative to wheeling arrangements for water transfers (page 3-11) and Sacramento Groundwater Banking (page 3-17). As is, the document is deficient in that it needs to consider the Los Vaqueros Expansion project in detail as a means to achieve its goals of obtaining an additional dry-year supply. By any criteria used, this option should come out very high on the list, and attention should be given to any rationale that dismisses this option.

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Significantly more discussion over the array of supply solutions initially considered, the criteria developed and the evaluation process would be appropriate here so the reader could gain some perspective as to how the preferred portfolio is structured and why it includes the array of components ultimately selected. For example, page 3-50 states that over 50 individual components were identified and screened, yet there is no background on what these components were, why they fell out of the process as opposed to other components that did not. No detailed discussion is to be found on page 2-4 (Section 2.3) where the reader is referred.

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The preferred portfolio, as it is called, indicates a heavy reliance on conservation, recycling and even rationing components. Where we strongly endorse and encourage conservation and recycling, they should not be considered instead of other components, but rather in addition to other components. To consider these activities as a baseline constant decreases flexibility when you need it and puts customers at much greater risk of severe shortfall (hardened demand and resultant draconian rationing) during increasing drought year sequences, and is not on par with other M&I users in the state. With the above scenario, a rationing level of 10% (which means 15% for residential users), will become increasingly problematic. In addition, the as-yet unknown impacts of climate change have the potential to skew water supply projections. The environmental document must discuss the portfolio components and take into account supply/demand in this context.

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The dependence on water transfers as a program component is also somewhat of a gamble, given the changing status of water availability in the state given the recent Wanger decision protecting fish species, drought, the proposed review of existing water rights, SWRCB enforcement and the proposed Peripheral Canal. Again, we would suggest this program component be above and beyond other components over which you have some level of control, rather than as a baseline component upon which you must depend. Does the plan call for obtaining some of these contracts (whenever they should be needed) now?

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Finally, it would be helpful to be added to your mailing list for projects of this type in the future.

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Thank you for your attention to our comments. If you have questions, please do not hesitate to call me at (925) 335-1226, or email at [rgoul@cd.cccounty.us](mailto:rgoul@cd.cccounty.us).

Sincerely,



Roberta Goulart  
Executive Officer  
Contra Costa County Water Agency

cc: John Coleman  
Greg Chan  
Michael Tognolini



## Contra Costa Water Agency (CCCWA)

- CCCWA-1. The Demand Study, presented in Appendix B to the WSMP 2040, considered smart growth trends and policies. Meetings were held with staff from all of the planning agencies within the EBMUD service area to confirm planned growth and development trends. Please see the Master Response on the Demand Study.
- CCCWA-2. The WSMP 2040 assumes that EBMUD's full entitlements on the Mokelumne River are available. The water right for EBMUD's Freeport facilities is a contract for water from the US Bureau of Reclamation's Central Valley Project in specified dry years. As stated on page 2-12, the CVP contract limits EBMUD to a total delivery of 165,000 acre-feet over any consecutive three-year drought period. For more information on the Freeport Regional Water Project, including the operational conditions, please see the EIS/EIR which is referenced on page 11-1 of the Draft PEIR. Aside from the rights that are part of EBMUD's local reservoirs, EBMUD does not hold any other entitlements to water.
- CCCWA-3. For more information on the Freeport Regional Water Project, including the operational conditions, please see the EIS/EIR which is referenced on page 11-1 of the Draft PEIR. The Freeport project is under construction and will be operational in 2010. EBMUD will take water through the Freeport project when the need arises and water is available. EBMUD currently believes that its existing treatment facilities are adequate; however, as recognized in the Freeport EIS/EIR, a treatment element is planned for construction should the need arise. Similarly, if other WSMP 2040 supplemental supply projects will be using the Freeport facilities, the need for a treatment plant or treatment plant upgrades would be considered as part of the project design and implementation (refer to pages 3-12 and 3-18 of the Draft PEIR).
- CCCWA-4. EBMUD considered the Los Vaqueros Expansion (LVE) Project as part of the initial stages of the WSMP 2040 planning. Given the uncertainties about this project, and particularly the lack of details to determine specific benefits to EBMUD, the LVE project was not incorporated into the WSMP 2040 Preferred Portfolio. At Board Workshop #12 (August 11, 2009), in response to requests for further consideration of the LVE project, EBMUD set forth detailed reasons why the project is not part of the Preferred Portfolio. These reasons included the Delta pumping uncertainties and the operating costs and carbon footprint, as well as the treatment concerns. For more detail, please see Response CCWD-3 regarding the LVE project. Materials from Board Workshop #12 may be found at:
- [http://www.ebmud.com/water\\_&\\_environment/water\\_supply/water\\_supply\\_management\\_program/wsmp\\_materials/default.htm](http://www.ebmud.com/water_&_environment/water_supply/water_supply_management_program/wsmp_materials/default.htm)
- CCCWA-5. Section 2.3 of the Draft PEIR includes a summary of the alternatives development process that was conducted for the WSMP 2040. The purpose of this summary is to explain that EBMUD considered a wide range of potential dry-year water supply solutions before selecting the

Preferred Portfolio. This process of narrowing the alternatives was presented at Board Workshops #6, 7 and 8, which may be found at:

[http://www.ebmud.com/water\\_&\\_environment/water\\_supply/water\\_supply\\_management\\_program/wsmp\\_materials/default.htm](http://www.ebmud.com/water_&_environment/water_supply/water_supply_management_program/wsmp_materials/default.htm) .

Section 2.3 provides a brief description of the evaluation process and explains how portfolios were organized according to themes. Descriptions of each of the 50+ individual components that were initially considered during the alternatives screening would provide unnecessary detail that is not needed for the PEIR analysis.

- CCCWA-6. EBMUD agrees with the commenter that the conservation, rationing and recycling components alone would not ensure a sufficient dry-year water supply for EBMUD's customers. EBMUD also understands that the effects of climate change could potentially affect water supply to an unknown degree. As stated on page 1-3 of the Draft PEIR, the intent of each portfolio is to give EBMUD the ability to respond flexibly to an uncertain water future. These uncertainties include changes in water supply and/or demand, the effects of global climate change, project and program funding availability, legal and institutional barriers and changing technology. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040.
- CCCWA-7. The WSMP 2040 Preferred Portfolio sets forth a diverse array of supplemental water supply projects and programs that would ensure that EBMUD is able to meet the need for water in a dry year. Water transfers is one of these components, in part because it is a flexible, viable and cost-effective way to obtain water in dry years. As stated in the Draft PEIR, in undertaking water transfers, EBMUD would ensure that there is no harm to other legal users of water.
- CCCWA-8. The commenter has been added to EBMUD's mailing list and will be notified of future actions and/or decisions regarding the WSMP 2040.

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August 10, 2009

Mr. Doug Linney, President  
East Bay Municipal Utility District  
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Re: Study Options to Pardee Expansion for East Bay Water Supply

Dear President Linney and Members of the Board:

The Mokelumne River is a valuable economic, social and historic resource for Amador and Calaveras counties. As you know, many of my constituents in those counties, including the County of Amador; Amador Water Agency; cities of Sutter Creek, Lone, Plymouth, and Jackson; Amador Recreation Agency and countless local residents oppose the East Bay Municipal Utility District's proposed expansion of Pardee Reservoir on the Mokelumne.

I encourage EBMUD to fully study and consider options to the proposed Pardee expansion, including the expansion of Los Vaqueros Reservoir and construction of a new dam downstream of Pardee that would not inundate more of the river upstream. Either of those options might provide more water to the East Bay without harming the Sierra foothill economies.

As shown in the November 1997 *Amador County Business Attraction, Retention and Expansion Study*, Amador County businesses could reap nearly \$2 million annually in sales to Mokelumne River kayakers. With the addition of commercial rafting on the river, local sales would be even higher, with a significant ripple effect in local jobs and tax revenue.

We know that California's prosperity depends on a secure water supply. As we develop that supply, we must also protect the Sierra foothill communities and businesses that depend on natural resources and tourism. Looking to options other than the proposed Pardee expansion could ensure water for your region and a prosperous future for the Sierra foothills.

Please keep me informed as you proceed with your 2040 water supply plan.

Sincerely,

Daniel E. Lungren  
Member of Congress

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## Dan Lungren (DLung)

DLung-1. EBMUD acknowledges that the Mokelumne River is valued as an economic, social and historic resource for Amador and Calaveras Counties; that the author is opposed to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component included the Preferred Portfolio, if such a component were to be constructed in such a manner that it inundates additional upstream river miles; that the commenter suggests that EBMUD consider other options such as the expansion of Los Vaqueros Reservoir; that the commenter wants to protect Sierra foothill businesses that depend on natural resources and tourism from economic harm; and that the commenter wants to see additional commercial rafting on the Mokelumne River, in the hope that expanded commercial rafting would provide economic benefits to the region.

The WSMP 2040 is a planning-level effort. The Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component would be studied in detail when and if the element is advanced to the project-specific stage. At that time, various options for an Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component would be studied, and some of those options may have lesser impacts on the upstream reach of the River. Further, impacts to the local area economy for those optional configurations would be reviewed in greater detail. That review would be conducted as part of a project-specific EIR.

EBMUD investigated many potential supplemental supply projects for inclusion in the WSMP 2040 Preferred Portfolio, including the Los Vaqueros Expansion (LVE) Project. Please refer to the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the alternatives development process, including component and portfolio screening that was conducted for the WSMP 2040. Also, please see Response CCWD-3, which explains why the LVE Project was not carried forward for further consideration as part of the WSMP 2040 Preferred Portfolio.

# ***JACKSON VALLEY IRRIGATION DISTRICT***

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May 18, 2009

Mr. Tom Francis P. E.  
East Bay Municipal Utilities District  
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375 11<sup>th</sup> Street MS 407  
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Dear Mr. Francis:

The Jackson Valley Irrigation District has serious concerns regarding the recently released Environmental Impact Report concerning the East Bay 2040 Plan. Over the past few years, EBMUD, JVID and numerous other agencies and interested parties have been involved in the Mokelumne River Forum process to develop a Conjunctive Use Plan(IRCUP) in conjunction with the Integrated Regional Water Management Plan(IRWMP). The purpose of these planning efforts has been to develop the very best regional approach to increasing water supplies from the Mokelumne River watershed for the benefit of as many of the Forum's participants as possible. Moreover, Jackson Valley Irrigation and EBMUD entered into a separate agreement in 1999 to develop projects to supplement the water supplies of both agencies. Projects under consideration include, but are not limited to, facilities for implementing the EBMUD's American River contract, enlarging Pardee Reservoir, and developing conjunctive use of surface and groundwater supplies. In the 1999 Agreement, JVID agreed to cooperate with East Bay in developing such water supplies.

Our chief concern regarding the draft EIR for the EBMUD 2040 Plan is that it focuses primarily on enlarging Pardee Reservoir to the exclusion of other alternatives cited in the 1999 Agreement as well as the on-going efforts of the Mokelumne River Forum. Jackson Valley Irrigation District shares East Bay's desire to develop new water supplies that benefit a broad spectrum of water-related interests. However, we believe that the best way to achieve success is to continue the Forum process to develop the Inter Regional Conjunctive Use Plan. We recognize that developing new or enlarged water supplies will be very difficult and will need the sincere cooperation of a wide spectrum of agencies and public interests and that no one single agency can set the agenda for a water supply solution. The process of developing regional cooperation and solutions is the core reason the Mokelumne River Forum was created. We all need to focus our efforts on continuing this process and making it a success for all concerned.

In addition to the projects under consideration by the Forum, JVID believes that it may be well to revisit the Devil's Nose site between Salt Springs and Tiger Creek. Building a new Pardee Dam down stream from the existing dam, enlarging the Bear River and other water storage projects, including groundwater storage are all good ways to get more water for drought protection and the ever increasing municipal and agricultural use we are all faced with.

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Whatever project or projects are developed will likely be the last major project within the Mokelumne watershed. It is in all of our interests to get it right by developing projects that have broad public support and can be paid for and constructed in a timely manner. The Mokelumne River Forum is the best venue to work out a process that will achieve results and not result in conflict and gridlock in the decision-making process.

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Sincerely,

JACKSON VALLEY IRRIGATION DISTRICT



George Lambert, President



## Jackson Valley Irrigation District (JVID)

JVID-1. As noted, the 1999 agreement between EBMUD and JVID discussed the desire for regional cooperation on water supply efforts. When and if any of the three Upcountry Regional Projects present in the Preferred Portfolio, including the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component, advances to a project-specific stage, EBMUD commits to working cooperatively with local agencies such as JVID in investigating the opportunity for said projects to move forward via a regional-partnership approach.

JVID-2. EBMUD shares JVID's view that development of additional surface storage and groundwater storage will provide added drought protection to agencies who participate in such projects. Regarding project opportunities within the Mokelumne River basin, as part of the project screening and portfolio building process, EBMUD identified enlarging Pardee Reservoir, raising Lower Bear Reservoir and the development of a groundwater banking project in San Joaquin County (the IRCUP) for inclusion in the WSMP 2040 preferred portfolio.

EBMUD believes that there would be significant challenges associated with obtaining the environmental approvals needed to construct a new water supply reservoir at the location known as the Devil's Nose site on the North Mokelumne River, and hence did not advance this forward for consideration as part of the Preferred Portfolio or alternatives analyzed as part of the WSMP 2040 development or the PEIR.

JVID-3. EBMUD agrees with the commenter that the Upcountry components of the Preferred Portfolio be undertaken as regional projects with partners and community support. EBMUD will continue to work with the Mokelumne River Forum members, including Jackson Valley Irrigation District.

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## 2.4.4 Environmental and Small Businesses

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Dear Mr. Francis:

I have reviewed the Preferred Portfolio that has resulted from the Water Supply Management Plan (WSMP) 2040 study and would like to express my support of the Preferred Portfolio and its flexibility.

Tracy Curtis  
*Wells Fargo*  
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Jim Earp  
*California Alliance for Jobs*  
Honorable Donald P. Freitas  
*City of Antioch*  
Honorable John Gioia  
*Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors*

As I see it, the Preferred Portfolio will meet long-term water supply needs and stretch the use of existing water supplies to the greatest extent possible. It includes conserving existing supplies to the maximum cost-effective amount, an aggressive water recycling program, water transfers that will maximize the use of existing infrastructure, and a regional desalination project in partnership with three other Bay Area water agencies. It also includes several groundwater storage projects both locally and in San Joaquin and Sacramento Counties, as well as an enlargement of two existing surface water supplies in the Mokelumne River watershed.

Given the anticipated growth of EBMUD's service region during the next 30 or more years and forecasts for global warming that may have an unpredictable effect on the volume and predictability of rainfall, I believe the District should pursue projects that reduce the need for water and provide more approaches and sources that impart a high level of flexibility in an ever evolving and changing environment.

Honorable Mark Green  
*City of Union City*  
Tom Guarino  
*Pacific Gas & Electric Company*  
Joseph Haraburda  
*Oakland Metropolitan Chamber of Commerce*  
Honorable Sheila Jordan  
*Alameda County Office of Education*  
Honorable Janet Lockhart  
*City of Dublin*

I believe the Preferred Portfolio described in the WSMP provides these benefits and urge the EBMUD to adopt it. At this early stage any actions that would reduce EBMUD's flexibility and reliability do not make sense.

Honorable Gayle McLaughlin  
*City of Richmond*  
Susan S. Muranishi  
*Alameda County Administrator's Office*  
Paul O'Grady  
*Armano McKenna LLP*  
Joe Perkins  
*Home Builders Association of N. California*  
Mo Qayoumi  
*California State University, East Bay*

The Preferred Portfolio is a strong plan that will provide our residents and common constituents with long-term water supply reliability and flexibility to adapt to future uncertainties. I also realize that as you move from this high level exploratory study, the Programmatic EIR, to the more specific, Project Level EIRs, much will be discovered and the feasibility, viability, and reality of some of the components of this Programmatic EIR may become impractical.

Honorable Larry Reid  
*City of Oakland*  
Honorable Tony Santos  
*City of San Leandro*  
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*Sandia National Laboratories*  
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*East Bay Regional Park District*  
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Carole Watson  
*United Way of the Bay Area*

Sincerely,

Bruce Kern  
Director

cc: Gregory L. Chan, EBMUD

## East Bay Economic Development Alliance (EDA)

EDA-1. EBMUD acknowledges the East Bay Economic Development Alliance's (EDA's) support of the District's WSMP 2040, including but not limited to the supplemental supply elements of the Preferred Portfolio which include the development of new surface storage. EBMUD believes that the Preferred Portfolio includes a diverse range of components, including conservation and rationing, to meet those projected needs and provide the District with flexibility to address uncertainties such as climate change and timing of droughts.



Mr. Tom Francis  
East Bay Municipal Utilities District  
By e-mail attachment

August 12, 2009

Re: *Pardee options discussed at yesterday's 2040 plan workshop*

Dear Mr. Francis:

Please consider this letter as late comments for the Water Supply Management Plan 2040 draft PEIR. It was prompted by the inclusion of the Pardee configuration chart in the staff report for yesterday's board workshop.

Since EBMUD is now going to include the alternative configurations in the final PEIR in response to the request from Director Mellon, we strongly suggest you do the following:

- Create four new "Preferred Portfolio" alternatives for the final EIR, with each alternative including a different Pardee configuration as shown in the table provided at the workshop (Options 1 through 4, since the current alternative analyzes Option 5).
- Analyze each Pardee alternative in the final EIR.

That would allow your board to understand the differences among the configurations.

As we noted in comments filed on our behalf by Tom Infusino, quoting CEQA Guidelines sec. 15168, a program EIR should

- "Provide an occasion for a *more exhaustive* consideration of effects and alternatives than would be practical in an EIR on an individual action."
- "Ensure consideration of cumulative impacts that might be slighted in a case-by-case analysis."
- "Allow a Lead Agency to consider broad policy alternatives and program-wide mitigation measures *at an early time* when the agency has greater flexibility to deal with basic problems or cumulative impacts." (emphasis added)

At bare minimum, you should include a matrix showing how the different alternatives score relative to the public comments on the DPEIR and the identified impacts.

Thank you for accepting this late comment.

Best regards,

*Katherine*

Katherine K. Evatt  
President

## Foothill Conservancy (FC4)

- FC4-1. The commenter requests that EBMUD create four new Preferred Portfolio alternatives that include the alternative configurations for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component and analyze them in the PEIR. While a description of the alternative configurations for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component has been added to the Draft PEIR (see Section 3 of this Response to Comments document), EBMUD does not believe analysis of each alternative configuration is needed for the reasons stated below.

CEQA Guidelines Section 15168, which addresses Program EIRs, states that a Program EIR has certain advantages, which include the possibility for a more exhaustive consideration of effects and alternatives. The section, however, does not state that Program EIRs must provide a more exhaustive analysis of alternatives or effects than would be done in a project-level EIR. In fact, for a Program EIR like the WSMP 2040 PEIR, this would be impossible, and would be contrary to intent of the Program EIR and the recognition by several courts that first-tier program EIRs that anticipate later project-specific EIRs "need not provide detailed, site-specific analysis." *Rio Vista Farm Bureau Center v. Cty of Solano* (1992) 5 Cal.App.4th 351. The courts have recognized that program EIRs that are only first-tier PEIRs, with a commitment to later project-level EIRs, can include general discussions of impacts and alternatives, deferring detailed analysis of project-specific alternatives and mitigation measures to later phases when these can be known with more certainty.

The courts have also confirmed that an EIR need not consider every conceivable alternative to a project. *Laurel Heights Improvement Assoc v. Regents of the Univ. of California* (1993) 6 Cal.4th 1112. Instead, CEQA requires only the consideration of a reasonable range of feasible alternatives, with the goal of fostering informed decisionmaking and public participation. In the WSMP 2040 PEIR, five alternatives are evaluated, and only one of them includes the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Thus, EBMUD has looked at four alternative configurations of a supplemental water program that would not rely on an enlarged Pardee Reservoir.

## 2.4.5 Individuals and Small Businesses

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## Form Letters

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Dear East Bay MUD and local officials: I urge you to drop your plans to build a new Pardee Dam and expand Pardee Reservoir as part of the EBMUD 2040 water plan.

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\* A new dam will be too expensive for EBMUD ratepayers, provide relatively little new water, and harm miles of the Mokelumne River.

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\* Enlarging Pardee will drown a part of the Mokelumne popular for kayaking and fishing, submerge or require removal of the historic Middle Bar Bridge and river access facilities, inundate cultural resources, require construction of a new Highway 49 bridge, and seasonally inundate nearly a mile of river proposed for National Wild and Scenic River designation by the Bureau of Land Management.

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\* Enlarging Pardee will destroy decades of work and investment by public agencies and local residents to improve recreational use of the Mokelumne River, thwarting local efforts to use the river for economic development.

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\* Creating dead-end roads approaching the river will cut off a critical fire evacuation route for residents of Middle Bar and Gwin Mine roads.

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\* There is no reason to destroy more miles of a popular river used by locals and visitors alike and its fish habitat. You can avoid the environmental, social and economic cost by using your water supplies, including the new American River water supply, more efficiently.

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Please leave these miles of the Mokelumne a river for future generations.

## Form Letter 2

- Form Letter 2-1: The District acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040.
- Form Letter 2-2: Please see the Master Responses on the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component and the WSMP 2040. EBMUD believes that the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component, together with other elements of the Preferred Portfolio, would provide a reliable water supply to meet the Need for Water in dry years. The costs of potential Preferred Portfolio components were developed and used as one of many evaluation considerations. Further, the rate impact of the Preferred Portfolio was also considered. Also, the District would seek to involve partner agencies to share costs and to provide regional benefits in terms of yield sharing. Project impacts, including impacts on the Mokelumne River, will be thoroughly examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning for this component.
- Form Letter 2-3: Please see Master Responses on the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component and Program-level EIR analysis. Project impacts on recreation, historic structures and cultural resources, and the Mokelumne River will be thoroughly examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning for this component. Please see response BLM-1 for a discussion of the proposed Wild and Scenic River designation for the North Fork/Main Mokelumne River.
- Form Letter 2-4: Please see the Master Responses on the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component and Program-level EIR analysis. EBMUD will consult with agencies, including the Bureau of Land Management and Caltrans, and will coordinate with local residents when and if project-level planning moves forward for this component. Impacts to recreation will be fully examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning.
- Form Letter 2-5: Please see the Master Responses on the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component and Program-level EIR analysis. Impacts to public safety and emergency access will be fully examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning for this component.
- Form Letter 2-6: As stated in the Draft PEIR, the Preferred Portfolio incorporates a number of water recycling projects combined with aggressive water conservation. While that approach allows the District to satisfy all of the projected increase in demand within the service area through the planning horizon, it would not be sufficient to meet the District's Need for Water during a prolonged drought, even though the District's Freeport Regional Water Project will be in place to meet a portion of the Need for Water in dry years.

## Form Letter 2

Supplemental supply projects included in the Preferred Portfolio include groundwater storage, desalination, and water transfers along with surface storage to create a robust and diverse means of addressing water supply needs during those dry periods. Project specific impacts and potential mitigation measures will be identified in project-specific documentation, when and if the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir project moves forward. Please refer to the Master Responses on the WSMP 2040, the Demand Study, the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component, and Program-level EIR analysis for further information.

From: brady\_kinnings@hotmail.com [mailto:brady\_kinnings@hotmail.com]  
Sent: Wednesday, May 06, 2009 2:38 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Please drop plans to expand Pardee Reservoir

Dear East Bay MUD and local officials: I urge you to drop your plans to build a new Pardee Dam and expand Pardee Reservoir as part of the EBMUD 2040 water plan.

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Brady Kinnings  
2722 Sutter St.  
San Francisco, CA 94115

From: udonahlert@yahoo.com [mailto:udonahlert@yahoo.com]  
Sent: Tuesday, May 05, 2009 8:27 AM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Please drop plans to expand Pardee Reservoir

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don ahlert  
451 fredericka ave.  
lafayette, CA 94549

From: gmyers@pleasanton.k12.ca.us [mailto:gmyers@pleasanton.k12.ca.us]  
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Gail Myers  
3218 Chablis Ct.  
Pleasanton, CA 94566



From: kennafosterphotography@gmail.com  
[mailto:kennafosterphotography@gmail.com]  
Sent: Wednesday, May 06, 2009 5:55 AM  
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Kenna Foster  
P. O. Box 163276  
Sacramento, CA 95816

From: lbrownso@csulb.edu [mailto:lbrownso@csulb.edu]  
Sent: Tuesday, May 05, 2009 4:18 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
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Larry Brownson  
212 Loyola RD  
Costa Mesa, CA 92626

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Matt Turner  
2756 Grove Way  
Castro Valley, CA 94546

-----Original Message-----

From: robsuper@comcast.net [mailto:robsuper@comcast.net]

Sent: Friday, August 14, 2009 3:45 PM

To: Francis, Thomas

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The expansion is opposed by the County of Amador; cities of Jackson, Sutter Creek, Ione, and Plymouth; Amador Historical Society; Amador County Recreation Agency; and a large coalition of local, regional and national fish, river conservation and recreation organizations.

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Rob Super  
P.O. Box 263  
Amador City, CA 95601

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Mar 17, 2009

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375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

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## Form Letter 3

Form Letter 3-1: A thorough study was undertaken to estimate the water demand within the EBMUD service area through the year 2040. Please refer to the Master Response on the Demand Study for a detailed response that explains the appropriateness of the study methodology and results.

As detailed in the Draft PEIR, the Preferred Portfolio selected by the EBMUD Board of Directors incorporates a high number of water recycling projects combined with extensive and aggressive water conservation. That approach will enable EBMUD to satisfy the projected increase in demand within the service area through the planning horizon. However, supplemental supply projects, including the Enlarge Lower Bear Reservoir and Enlarge Pardee Reservoir components, are needed to meet the District's Need for Water during a prolonged drought, as conservation and water recycling alone will not provide adequate supply during such periods. Consequently EBMUD identified a number of potential projects which in turn were evaluated for consideration as components of the Preferred Portfolio. Rationing levels were recommended based on a review and understanding of what is achievable given the aggressive conservation program that will be enacted as part of WSMP 2040. Please refer to the Master Response as prepared on the WSMP 2040 for a further discussion of the analyses conducted in support of development of the Preferred Portfolio. Also, please refer to Response AHS-3 for details regarding EBMUD's approach to demand management.

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At this program-level stage, there is no certainty regarding the potential impacts of the Raise Pardee portfolio component. At the project level, EBMUD will examine a broad range of configurations and the potential impacts and possible means of mitigating impacts to recreational uses, cultural resources, transportation and other resource areas. Please see the Master Responses on Program-level EIR analysis and the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component.

Form Letter 3-3: The PEIR acknowledges the potential for disruption to downstream flow releases from the proposed Enlarge Lower Bear Reservoir component, although potential changes to flow are not known at this time (please see page 5.2.C-17 of the Draft PEIR). Potential impacts to fish, wildlife and recreation will be thoroughly examined in a project-level EIR for the Enlarge Lower Bear Reservoir component when this information is available, when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning. Please see the Master Response



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EBMUD recognizes the value of water conservation, recycling and rationing, and has included them as components in the Preferred Portfolio. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040.

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf  
Of Andrea Ganz  
Sent: Wednesday, June 10, 2009 8:24 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Jun 10, 2009

Mr. Thomas Francis  
375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

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Ms. Andrea Ganz  
7123 Plank Ave  
El Cerrito, CA 94530-2037

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf  
Of Alicia Taylor  
Sent: Wednesday, June 10, 2009 8:54 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
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Ms. Alicia Taylor  
3220 W St  
Sacramento, CA 95817-1269

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf  
Of Brianna American River Recreation  
Sent: Wednesday, June 10, 2009 12:23 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
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Mrs. Brianna American River Recreation  
PO Box 465  
Lotus, CA 95651-0465

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf  
Of Brian Kallen  
Sent: Wednesday, June 10, 2009 12:53 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
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Mr. Brian Kallen  
796 Rose Ln  
Healdsburg, CA 95448-3770

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Of Brian Kohl  
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Mr. Brian Kohl  
14421 Cloverbrook Dr  
Tustin, CA 92780-6311

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Of Brad Martin  
Sent: Wednesday, June 10, 2009 4:54 PM  
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Sincerely,

Mr. Brad Martin  
PO Box 12225  
Fresno, CA 93777-2225

From: Bob Mellinger [mailto:bob4fish@comcast.net]  
Sent: Sunday, June 14, 2009 1:03 PM  
To: Tfrancis@ebmud.com  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Jun 14, 2009

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Oakland, CA 94607

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Sincerely,

Mr. Bob Mellinger  
227 Commercial St  
Cloverdale, CA 95425-3216



From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf  
Of Bob Rosenberg  
Sent: Thursday, June 11, 2009 3:57 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

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Dr. Bob Rosenberg  
32 Toussin Ave  
Kentfield, CA 94904-1421

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Mrs. Brianna Tyler  
5171 Gun Smoke Rd  
Georgetown, CA 95634-9643

From: Friends of the River on behalf of Barbara Ungersma  
Sent: Fri 7/31/2009 9:05 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Jul 31, 2009

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Sincerely,

Mrs. Barbara Ungersma  
539 E K St  
Benicia, CA 94510-3440

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf  
Of Charles Bell  
Sent: Wednesday, June 10, 2009 4:54 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Jun 10, 2009

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375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

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Sincerely,

Mr. Charles Bell  
16713 Scott Way  
Grass Valley, CA 95949-7127

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From: Friends of the River on behalf of craig bradshaw  
Sent: Fri 7/24/2009 8:11 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Jul 24, 2009

Mr. Thomas Francis  
375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

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Sincerely,

Mr. craig bradshaw  
11 Crosby Ct  
Pacheco, CA 94553-5603

**From:** cathed@sbcglobal.net [mailto:cathed@sbcglobal.net]  
**Sent:** Saturday, July 25, 2009 8:52 AM  
**To:** Lewis, Lynelle  
**Subject:** Drop the Pardee Expansion from the 2040 Plan

July 25, 2009  
Lynelle Lewis

Dear Lynelle Lewis,

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Sincerely

Cathe Dietrich  
1200 Talbot Ave  
Berkeley, CA 94706-2336

From: Friends of the River on behalf of cheri russell  
Sent: Sat 6/6/2009 1:44 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Jun 6, 2009

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375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

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Sincerely,

Ms. cheri russell  
834 Center St  
Oakland, CA 94607-1916

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf  
Of David Adams  
Sent: Wednesday, June 10, 2009 5:24 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

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Sincerely,

Dr. David Adams  
14487 Burlington Pkwy  
Penn Valley, CA 95946-9503



From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf  
Of Donna Carr, M.D.  
Sent: Wednesday, June 10, 2009 2:53 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Jun 10, 2009

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Sincerely,

Dr. Donna Carr, M.D.  
1201 Sidonia St  
Encinitas, CA 92024-2230

From: Friends of the River on behalf of Donna Carr, M.D.  
Sent: Sun 6/28/2009 1:11 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Jun 28, 2009

Mr. Thomas Francis  
375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

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From: Dale & Joanne Crandall-Bear [mailto:joannecb@comcast.net]  
Sent: Friday, June 12, 2009 10:00 PM  
To: Tfrancis@ebmud.com  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Jun 12, 2009

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Sincerely,

Ms. Dale & Joanne Crandall-Bear  
414 T St  
Sacramento, CA 95811-6914

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**From:** oldtrout58@yahoo.com [mailto:oldtrout58@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, July 24, 2009 10:32 PM  
**To:** Lewis, Lynelle  
**Subject:** Drop the Pardee Expansion from the 2040 Plan

July 24, 2009  
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Sincerely

Don Gustafson  
428 Alice St Apt 439  
Oakland, CA 94607-4344

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf  
Of David Mierkey  
Sent: Wednesday, June 10, 2009 12:53 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
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Mr. David Mierkey  
10214 Garbo Ct  
Stockton, CA 95209-3911

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf  
Of Don Mittelstaedt  
Sent: Wednesday, June 10, 2009 12:23 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

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Mr. Don Mittelstaedt  
2751 Corte San Blas  
Pleasanton, CA 94566-5722

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf  
Of Daniel F. Ward  
Sent: Friday, June 12, 2009 9:28 AM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

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Mr. Daniel F. Ward  
PO Box 53231  
San Jose, CA 95153-0231

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5800 11th Ave  
Sacramento, CA 95820-2431



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**Sent:** Friday, July 24, 2009 6:52 PM  
**To:** Lewis, Lynelle  
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Sincerely

Edward Kikumoto  
3901 Ruby St Apt 101  
Oakland, CA 94609-2701

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf  
Of Eric Newberg  
Sent: Wednesday, June 10, 2009 3:54 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
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Sincerely,

Mr. Eric Newberg  
44 Montgomery St  
San Francisco, CA 94104-4602

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf  
Of Ed Van den Bossche  
Sent: Wednesday, June 10, 2009 11:53 AM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

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Mr. Ed Van den Bossche  
121 40th St  
Newport Beach, CA 92663-2921

From: Francisco Costa [mailto:kikops@aol.com]  
Sent: Saturday, June 13, 2009 5:01 PM  
To: Tfrancis@ebmud.com  
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Jun 13, 2009

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Mr. Francisco Costa  
67665 Ontina Rd  
Cathedral City, CA 92234-5545

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf  
Of Felipe Garcia  
Sent: Thursday, June 11, 2009 7:25 AM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
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Sincerely,

Mr. Felipe Garcia  
3573 Via Las Lupes  
Oroville, CA 95965-9702

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf  
Of Frances Taylor  
Sent: Thursday, June 11, 2009 8:55 AM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Jun 11, 2009

Mr. Thomas Francis  
375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

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Sincerely,

Ms. Frances Taylor  
2239 23rd Ave  
Sacramento, CA 95822-2032

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf  
Of Gypsy Bandita  
Sent: Wednesday, June 10, 2009 12:23 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

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Ms. Gypsy Bandita  
28212 W Fm 1097 Rd  
Montgomery, TX 77356-6319

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf  
Of Gary Feemster  
Sent: Thursday, June 11, 2009 9:27 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

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Mr. Gary Feemster  
5151 Sisson Dr  
Huntington Beach, CA 92649-2439



From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf  
Of Gene Gantt  
Sent: Monday, July 06, 2009 5:04 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Jul 6, 2009

Mr. Thomas Francis  
375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

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Mr. Gene Gantt  
613 Hawk Dr  
Vacaville, CA 95687-7279

From: Friends of the River on behalf of Gary Smith  
Sent: Sat 8/1/2009 2:06 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Aug 1, 2009

Mr. Thomas Francis  
375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

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Sincerely,

Mr. Gary Smith  
2066 Sullivan St  
San Mateo, CA 94403-1537

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf  
Of Hunter MERRITT  
Sent: Wednesday, June 10, 2009 11:53 AM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Jun 10, 2009

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Mr. Hunter MERRITT  
1628 51st St  
Sacramento, CA 95819-4504

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**From:** hthorne@earthlink.net [mailto:hthorne@earthlink.net]  
**Sent:** Friday, July 24, 2009 2:32 PM  
**To:** Lewis, Lynelle  
**Subject:** Drop the Pardee Expansion from the 2040 Plan

July 24, 2009  
Lynelle Lewis

Dear Lynelle Lewis,

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Sincerely

Harold Thorne, Jr.  
5782 Buena Vista Ave  
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Oakland, CA 94618-2121

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf  
Of Jennifer Adams  
Sent: Monday, July 13, 2009 4:09 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Jul 13, 2009

Mr. Thomas Francis  
375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

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Sincerely,

Ms. Jennifer Adams  
710 E 22nd St Apt 102  
Oakland, CA 94606-2038

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf  
Of James R. Dwyer  
Sent: Monday, June 15, 2009 11:05 AM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Jun 15, 2009

Mr. Thomas Francis  
375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

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Mr. James R. Dwyer  
464 E 3rd Ave  
Chico, CA 95926-3458

From: Friends of the River on behalf of Janice Gloe  
Sent: Sun 6/28/2009 11:12 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Jun 29, 2009

Mr. Thomas Francis  
375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

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Sincerely,

Ms. Janice Gloe  
3100 Guido St  
Oakland, CA 94602-3521

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf  
Of June Gill  
Sent: Wednesday, June 10, 2009 5:54 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Jun 10, 2009

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Dr. June Gill  
3639 San Remo Dr Apt 10  
Santa Barbara, CA 93105-2503



From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf  
Of Jake Harper  
Sent: Tuesday, July 07, 2009 9:10 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Jul 7, 2009

Mr. Thomas Francis  
375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

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Sincerely,

Mr. Jake Harper  
PO Box 1377  
West Point, CA 95255-1377

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf  
Of John Holtzclaw  
Sent: Wednesday, June 10, 2009 4:24 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

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Dr. John Holtzclaw  
1508 Taylor St  
San Francisco, CA 94133-4290

From: Friends of the River on behalf of Jim Hunt  
Sent: Fri 6/19/2009 11:22 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Jun 20, 2009

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Oakland, CA 94607

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Mr. Jim Hunt  
35926 Orleans Dr  
Newark, CA 94560-1608

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**From:** jamerson\_37@msn.com [mailto:jamerson\_37@msn.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, July 24, 2009 7:02 PM  
**To:** Lewis, Lynelle  
**Subject:** Drop the Pardee Expansion from the 2040 Plan

July 24, 2009  
Lynelle Lewis

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Sincerely

Janet Jamerson  
1632 Fairmont Dr  
San Leandro, CA 94578-1929

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf  
Of Jacqueline Lasahn  
Sent: Friday, June 12, 2009 5:59 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Jun 12, 2009

Mr. Thomas Francis  
375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

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Sincerely,

Ms. Jacqueline Lasahn  
808 Balra Dr  
El Cerrito, CA 94530-3002

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf  
Of James McGrew  
Sent: Wednesday, June 10, 2009 12:23 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
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Sincerely,

Mr. James McGrew  
37821 Palo Colorado Rd  
Carmel, CA 93923-8113

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf  
Of Julie McKee  
Sent: Wednesday, June 10, 2009 12:54 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
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Sincerely,

Ms. Julie McKee  
705-925 Elysian Valley Rd  
Janesville, CA 96114-9699

From: Friends of the River on behalf of julie mitravich  
Sent: Fri 6/19/2009 9:51 AM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Jun 19, 2009

Mr. Thomas Francis  
375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

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Sincerely,

Ms. julie mitravich  
1060 S 3rd St Apt 303  
San Jose, CA 95112-3985



From: Jon Musacchia [mailto:safarijon@yahoo.com]  
Sent: Saturday, June 13, 2009 10:31 AM  
To: Tfrancis@ebmud.com  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Jun 13, 2009

Mr. Thomas Francis  
375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

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Sincerely,

Mr. Jon Musacchia  
40 Kenyon Ave  
Kensington, CA 94708-1025

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf  
Of Jennifer Natali  
Sent: Tuesday, June 23, 2009 3:30 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Please Don't Raise Pardee Dam

Jun 23, 2009

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375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

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Sincerely,

Ms. Jennifer Natali  
3087 Wheeler St  
Berkeley, CA 94705-1826

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf  
Of John Okulick  
Sent: Thursday, June 11, 2009 10:25 AM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Jun 11, 2009

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375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

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Sincerely,

Mr. John Okulick  
338 Euclid St  
Same  
Santa Monica, CA 90402-2118

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf  
Of Joseph Sebastian  
Sent: Wednesday, June 10, 2009 1:53 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Jun 10, 2009

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375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

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Sincerely,

Mr. Joseph Sebastian  
4110 Edison Ave  
Sacramento, CA 95821-2827

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf  
Of Kevin Branstetter  
Sent: Wednesday, June 10, 2009 12:54 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Jun 10, 2009

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Sincerely,

Mr. Kevin Branstetter  
21915 Oak Ranch Rd  
Colfax, CA 95713-9105

From: Friends of the River on behalf of Karen Dewald  
Sent: Fri 7/31/2009 1:43 AM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Jul 31, 2009

Mr. Thomas Francis  
375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

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Sincerely,

Ms. Karen Dewald  
1626 Francisco St Apt 1A  
Berkeley, CA 94703-1255

**From:** kentmac@sonic.net [mailto:kentmac@sonic.net]  
**Sent:** Sunday, July 26, 2009 2:52 PM  
**To:** Lewis, Lynelle  
**Subject:** Drop the Pardee Expansion from the 2040 Plan

July 26, 2009  
Lynelle Lewis

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Sincerely

Kent MacIntosh  
554 Manor Ct  
Healdsburg, CA 95448-3761

KMat  
090727

**From:** mather@pasco.com [mailto:mather@pasco.com]  
**Sent:** Sunday, July 26, 2009 5:22 PM  
**To:** Lewis, Lynelle  
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Sincerely

Kevin Mather  
3947 Milmar Way  
Sacramento, CA 95821-3030



From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf  
Of Kevan Urquhart  
Sent: Wednesday, June 10, 2009 1:23 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

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Mr. Kevan Urquhart  
PO Box 2612  
Carmel By The Sea, CA 93921-2612

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf  
Of Linda Barrera  
Sent: Wednesday, June 10, 2009 5:54 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

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Sincerely,

Mrs. Linda Barrera  
1417 23rd St Apt \$  
Sacramento, CA 95816-5732

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf  
Of Lou Anna Denison  
Sent: Wednesday, June 10, 2009 5:54 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

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Sincerely,

Mrs. Lou Anna Denison  
6931 E 11th St  
Long Beach, CA 90815-4937

LFri  
090726

**From:** lindabf@comcast.net [mailto:lindabf@comcast.net]  
**Sent:** Sunday, July 26, 2009 10:22 AM  
**To:** Lewis, Lynelle  
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July 26, 2009  
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Sincerely

Linda Friedman  
1062 Park Hills Rd  
Berkeley, CA 94708-1745

LMor  
090729

**From:** Redwoodbird@aol.com [mailto:Redwoodbird@aol.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 28, 2009 9:42 PM  
**To:** Lewis, Lynelle  
**Subject:** Drop the Pardee Expansion from the 2040 Plan

July 28, 2009  
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Sincerely

Linda Morgan  
10 Cherrywood Ct  
San Pablo, CA 94806-3767

LMug  
090727

**From:** lindsmuggl@aol.com [mailto:lindsmuggl@aol.com]  
**Sent:** Sunday, July 26, 2009 11:12 AM  
**To:** Lewis, Lynelle  
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Sincerely

Lindsay Mugglestone  
3023 Deakin St  
Berkeley, CA 94705-1948

-----Original Message-----

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf Of Lucinda Olney  
Sent: Monday, July 27, 2009 8:05 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Jul 27, 2009

Mr. Thomas Francis  
375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

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Sincerely,

Ms. Lucinda Olney  
2731 Shasta Rd  
Berkeley, CA 94708-1923

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf  
Of Linda B. Tabor-Beck  
Sent: Wednesday, June 10, 2009 4:24 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Jun 10, 2009

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375 11th Street MS 407  
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Sincerely,

Mrs. Linda B. Tabor-Beck  
2712 Harrison St  
San Francisco, CA 94110-3320



From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf  
Of Laura Willbanks  
Sent: Friday, June 12, 2009 9:28 AM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Jun 12, 2009

Mr. Thomas Francis  
375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

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Mrs. Laura Willbanks  
3440 Rose Ave  
Long Beach, CA 90807-4924

From: Friends of the River on behalf of Louis Zirelli  
Sent: Fri 7/10/2009 12:00 AM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Jul 10, 2009

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375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

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Sincerely,

Mr. Louis Zirelli  
I dont want to say  
Auburn, CA 95603

From: Friends of the River on behalf of Marilyn Bull  
Sent: Fri 7/10/2009 9:02 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Jul 10, 2009

Mr. Thomas Francis  
375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

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Mr. Marilyn Bull  
2428A 11th Ave  
Oakland, CA 94606-2714

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf  
Of Melissa Burnell  
Sent: Wednesday, July 08, 2009 5:14 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Jul 8, 2009

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Sincerely,

Ms. Melissa Burnell  
6515 Herzog St  
Oakland, CA 94608-1223

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf  
Of May-Lin Chang  
Sent: Thursday, June 11, 2009 6:27 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Jun 11, 2009

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Ms. May-Lin Chang  
10001 Woodcreek Oaks Blvd Apt 1633  
Roseville, CA 95747-5113

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf  
Of Mike Cox  
Sent: Wednesday, June 10, 2009 11:24 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Jun 11, 2009

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Oakland, CA 94607

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Sincerely,

Mr. Mike Cox  
Ridgewood Dr.  
Eureka, CA 95503

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf  
Of Mary Elliott  
Sent: Wednesday, June 10, 2009 12:53 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

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Sincerely,

Mr. Mary Elliott  
PO Box 361  
Verdi, NV 89439-0361

-----Original Message-----

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf Of Miranda Everett  
Sent: Tuesday, July 28, 2009 1:07 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Jul 28, 2009

Mr. Thomas Francis  
375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

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Mrs. Miranda Everett  
2725 Irwin Ave  
PO Box 616  
Lake Isabella, CA 93240-0616



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**From:** mary@lovejoycreative.com [mailto:mary@lovejoycreative.com]  
**Sent:** Sunday, July 26, 2009 10:22 PM  
**To:** Lewis, Lynelle  
**Subject:** Drop the Pardee Expansion from the 2040 Plan

July 26, 2009  
Lynelle Lewis

Dear Lynelle Lewis,

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Mary Eaton Fairfield  
3573 Lakeshore Ave  
Oakland, CA 94610-2224

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf  
Of Mary Frantz  
Sent: Wednesday, June 10, 2009 1:23 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
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Sincerely,

Ms. Mary Frantz  
1737 Peyton Ave  
Burbank, CA 91504-3680

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf  
Of Martin Garcia  
Sent: Wednesday, June 10, 2009 9:54 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

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Mr. Martin Garcia  
PO Box 41  
Friant, CA 93626-0041

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf  
Of Mitch Harper  
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2009 12:22 AM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Jul 2, 2009

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Mr. Mitch Harper  
213 Holiday Hills Dr  
Martinez, CA 94553-4213

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf  
Of Megaen Kelly  
Sent: Wednesday, July 01, 2009 1:19 AM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Jul 1, 2009

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Oakland, CA 94607

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Ms. Megaen Kelly  
PO Box 604  
Newcastle, CA 95658-0604

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf  
Of Michael P. Schefers  
Sent: Wednesday, June 10, 2009 11:53 AM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

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Mr. Michael P. Schefers  
2342 Shattuck Ave # 367  
Berkeley, CA 94704-1517

From: Friends of the River on behalf of Marie Wadman  
Sent: Sat 6/27/2009 7:09 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Jun 27, 2009

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375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

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Sincerely,

Ms. Marie Wadman  
2431 11th Ave  
Oakland, CA 94606-2713

From: Friends of the River on behalf of melanie watson  
Sent: Fri 6/19/2009 4:21 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Jun 19, 2009

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Oakland, CA 94607

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Sincerely,

Ms. melanie watson  
29190 Stonewood Rd Apt 30  
Temecula, CA 92591-3793



From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf  
Of Nancy Price  
Sent: Wednesday, June 10, 2009 3:24 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

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Sincerely,

Ms. Nancy Price  
1223 Sequoia Pl  
Davis, CA 95616-2046

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf  
Of Paul Jorjorian  
Sent: Wednesday, June 10, 2009 1:53 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

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Mr. Paul Jorjorian  
2633 7th Ave  
Sacramento, CA 95818-3901

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf  
Of Patricia Law  
Sent: Thursday, June 11, 2009 7:55 AM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Jun 11, 2009

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Sincerely,

Ms. Patricia Law  
1948 Felton St  
San Diego, CA 92102-1232

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf  
Of Patrick McCully  
Sent: Wednesday, June 10, 2009 12:53 PM  
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Sincerely,

Mr. Patrick McCully  
1346 Alabama St  
San Francisco, CA 94110-4109

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf  
Of Perry Robertson  
Sent: Wednesday, June 10, 2009 12:23 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Jun 10, 2009

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375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

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Mr. Perry Robertson  
12 Council Crest Dr  
Corte Madera, CA 94925-1002

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**From:** Bonben@earthlink.net [mailto:Bonben@earthlink.net]  
**Sent:** Sunday, July 26, 2009 1:42 PM  
**To:** Lewis, Lynelle  
**Subject:** Drop the Pardee Expansion from the 2040 Plan

July 26, 2009  
Lynelle Lewis

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Sincerely

Dr. and Mrs. Peter Seidman  
1238 Josephine St  
Berkeley, CA 94703-1112

Original Message-----

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf Of Paul R Switzer  
Sent: Wednesday, July 15, 2009 11:18 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Jul 16, 2009

Mr. Thomas Francis  
375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

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Sincerely,  
Paul R Switzer  
1197 Honey Run Road  
Chico, CA 95928

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From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf  
Of Richard Ely  
Sent: Wednesday, June 10, 2009 6:24 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
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Jun 10, 2009

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Mr. Richard Ely  
2138 Green Hill Rd  
Sebastopol, CA 95472-9306



From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf  
Of R Fiske  
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2009 9:23 AM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
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Jul 2, 2009

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Sincerely,

Mr. R Fiske  
2212 Albury Ave  
Long Beach, CA 90815-2104

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf  
Of Rachel Friedman  
Sent: Thursday, June 11, 2009 4:57 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
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Sincerely,

Dr. Rachel Friedman  
1298 Funston Ave Apt 2  
San Francisco, CA 94122-2138

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf  
Of roger groghan  
Sent: Wednesday, June 10, 2009 12:23 PM  
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Mr. roger groghan  
2515 Hillisdale Rd  
Meadow Vista, CA 95722-9515

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf  
Of Rebecca Ianieri  
Sent: Wednesday, July 08, 2009 5:44 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Jul 8, 2009

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Oakland, CA 94607

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Sincerely,

Ms. Rebecca Ianieri  
1502 Alice St Apt 3  
Oakland, CA 94612-4186

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf  
Of Randy Kirkbride  
Sent: Wednesday, June 10, 2009 1:23 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
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Mr. Randy Kirkbride  
12971 Cherry Rd  
Wilton, CA 95693-9429

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf  
Of Renee Samuels  
Sent: Wednesday, June 10, 2009 11:53 AM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
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Ms. Renee Samuels  
2449 Larkspur Ln  
Sacramento, CA 95825-4102

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf Of Rebecca Sang  
Sent: Wednesday, May 06, 2009 10:17 AM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

May 6, 2009

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Oakland, CA 94607

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Sincerely,

Ms. Rebecca Sang  
6519 Oakwood Dr  
Oakland, CA 94611-1113

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf  
Of Roberta & Amanda Sparkman  
Sent: Wednesday, June 10, 2009 8:24 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
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Ms. Roberta & Amanda Sparkman  
4807 Boyd Dr  
Carmichael, CA 95608-4915



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Of Roger Williams  
Sent: Wednesday, June 10, 2009 12:53 PM  
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Dr. Roger Williams  
PO Box 2402  
Carmel By The Sea, CA 93921-2402

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf  
Of Steven Holzberg  
Sent: Friday, June 12, 2009 6:59 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
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Dr. Steven Holzberg  
105 Winchester Ct  
Folsom, CA 95630-4836

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf  
Of Steven Magenheimer  
Sent: Thursday, June 11, 2009 8:57 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
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Sincerely,

Mr. Steven Magenheimer  
2245 Prince St  
Berkeley, CA 94705-1854

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf  
Of Sonja Malmuth  
Sent: Wednesday, June 10, 2009 3:23 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

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Sincerely,

Mrs. Sonja Malmuth  
3955 Indian Way  
Santa Ynez, CA 93460-9675

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-----Original Message-----

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf Of steve Mcintire  
Sent: Sunday, July 26, 2009 9:16 AM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

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Mr. steve Mcintire  
15 Scots Ct  
Walnut Creek, CA 94596-5429

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**Sent:** Friday, July 31, 2009 10:42 PM  
**To:** Lewis, Lynelle  
**Subject:** Drop the Pardee Expansion from the 2040 Plan

July 31, 2009  
Lynelle Lewis

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Sincerely

Steve Tyler  
2564 N Franki St  
Orange, CA 92865-2913

-----Original Message-----

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf Of Tom Camara  
Sent: Tuesday, July 28, 2009 10:08 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Jul 29, 2009

Mr. Thomas Francis  
375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

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Sincerely,

Mr. Tom Camara  
Green Glen Way  
Mill Valley, CA 94941

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From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf  
Of Tony Fabian  
Sent: Monday, July 06, 2009 10:03 AM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Jul 6, 2009

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Oakland, CA 94607

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Sincerely,

Mr. Tony Fabian  
5045 Whitney Blvd  
Rocklin, CA 95677-2248



From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf  
Of Tara Hui  
Sent: Thursday, June 11, 2009 11:58 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Jun 12, 2009

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Sincerely,

Ms. Tara Hui  
238 Wilde Ave  
San Francisco, CA 94134-2248

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf  
Of Valerie Nesbitt  
Sent: Tuesday, June 16, 2009 7:08 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Jun 16, 2009

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375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

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Ms. Valerie Nesbitt  
10 Laurelwood Ln  
Paradise, CA 95969-2274

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf  
Of Walt Levitus  
Sent: Wednesday, June 10, 2009 1:23 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

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Mr. Walt Levitus  
9316 Honeysuckle Ave  
Fountain Valley, CA 92708-1405

From: Friends of the River on behalf of Zeph Fishlyn  
Sent: Fri 7/10/2009 3:01 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
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552 Rapp St  
San Francisco, CA 94110

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- Form Letter 4-1: The District acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component.
- Form Letter 4-2: Please see the Master Responses on the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component and the WSMP 2040. EBMUD believes that the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component, together with other elements of the Preferred Portfolio, would provide a reliable water supply to meet the Need for Water in dry years. The costs of potential Preferred Portfolio components were developed and used as one of many evaluation considerations. Further, the rate impact of the Preferred Portfolio was also considered. Also, the District would seek to involve partner agencies to share costs and to provide regional benefits in terms of yield sharing. Project impacts, including impacts on the Mokelumne River, the Delta, and its fisheries, will be thoroughly examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning for this component.
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As detailed in the Draft PEIR, the Preferred Portfolio incorporates a number of water recycling projects combined with aggressive water conservation. While that approach allows the District to satisfy all of the projected increase in demand within the service area through the planning horizon, it would not be sufficient to meet the District's Need for Water during a prolonged drought, even given the fact that the District's Freeport Regional Water Project will be in place to meet a

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Form Letter 4-7: As stated in the Master Response on the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component, EBMUD recognizes the numerous local concerns regarding this component, and in light of the controversy surrounding the environmental effects, has elevated it to an area of controversy.

From: alanprimaz@earthlink.net [mailto:alanprimaz@earthlink.net]  
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2009 7:34 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Please drop plans to expand Pardee Reservoir

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Alan Pong  
906 Pacific Avenue  
Half Moon Bay, CA 94019



From: info@volcanoarts.biz [mailto:info@volcanoarts.biz]  
Sent: Monday, July 13, 2009 1:10 PM  
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Christine Cox  
19871 Mella Dr  
Volcano, CA 95689

-----Original Message-----

From: cdmessier@gmail.com [mailto:cdmessier@gmail.com]

Sent: Friday, July 31, 2009 3:15 PM

To: Lewis, Lynelle

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Chris Messier  
300 New York Ranch Rd #65  
Jackson, Ca 95642

From: cpschott@comcast.net [mailto:cpschott@comcast.net]  
Sent: Wednesday, August 19, 2009 11:33 AM  
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c schott  
24513 rimrock ct.  
salinas, ca 93908

From: cradebwall@yahoo.com [mailto:cradebwall@yahoo.com]  
Sent: Saturday, July 04, 2009 1:48 AM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
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Craig Walling  
3350 Village Dr  
Ione, Ca 95640-9603

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Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2009 8:37 AM  
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Fred Hammond  
10168 Creek Trail Cir  
Stockton, CA 95209

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Sent: Wednesday, July 08, 2009 1:33 PM  
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Gary Davis  
9672 Country Falls Lane  
Elk Grove, CA 95757

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Sent: Thursday, July 09, 2009 1:07 PM  
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Gregory Forster  
P.O. Box 7416  
San Jose, California 95150

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Gabriel Lopez  
537 Hyde Apt # 3  
San Francisco, CA 94109



-----Original Message-----

From: hboije@gmail.com [mailto:hboije@gmail.com]

Sent: Friday, August 07, 2009 9:44 PM

To: Francis, Thomas

Subject: Please drop plans to expand Pardee Reservoir

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Hope Boije  
6751 Longwalk Drive  
Oakland, California 94611

From: mahen3@comcast.net [mailto:mahen3@comcast.net]  
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2009 4:56 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Please drop plans to expand Pardee Reservoir

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Henriette Henderson  
1289 Aenida Sevilla #1A  
Walnut Creek, California 94595

From: jmblanc@sbcglobal.net [mailto:jmblanc@sbcglobal.net]  
Sent: Tuesday, July 14, 2009 5:40 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Please drop plans to expand Pardee Reservoir

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jeffrey blanc  
224 acorn dr  
angels camp, ca 95222

-----Original Message-----

From: jancecil8@gmail.com [mailto:jancecil8@gmail.com]

Sent: Monday, August 10, 2009 2:16 PM

To: Francis, Thomas

Subject: Please drop plans to expand Pardee Reservoir

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Janice Cecil  
2923 Ashby Ave  
Berkeley, Ca 94705

From: Quigs@usa.net [mailto:Quigs@usa.net]  
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2009 7:59 AM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Please drop plans to expand Pardee Reservoir

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John Quigley  
258 Riviera Circle  
Larkspur, CA 94939

From: kasteinhoff@gmail.com [mailto:kasteinhoff@gmail.com]  
Sent: Sat 7/18/2009 12:01 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Please drop plans to expand Pardee Reservoir

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Keli A. Steinhoff  
10556 Combie Rd, PMB 6641  
Auburn, CA 95602

-----Original Message-----

From: grundylea@hotmail.com [mailto:grundylea@hotmail.com]

Sent: Friday, July 17, 2009 3:29 PM

To: Francis, Thomas

Subject: Please drop plans to expand Pardee Reservoir

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Lea Grundy  
1319 Talbot Ave.  
Berkeley, CA 94702

-----Original Message-----

From: terry.jackson@earthlink.net [mailto:terry.jackson@earthlink.net]

Sent: Tuesday, August 04, 2009 6:42 PM

To: Francis, Thomas

Subject: Please drop plans to expand Pardee Reservoir

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leslie jackson  
961 arlington ave.  
Berkeley, CA 94707-1928



From: teamnicholson08@gmail.com [mailto:teamnicholson08@gmail.com]  
Sent: Fri 7/31/2009 7:19 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
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Mike Nicholson  
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tracy, ca 95376

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From: smittymatt17@hotmail.com [mailto:smittymatt17@hotmail.com]  
Sent: Sat 8/1/2009 1:08 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
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matt smith  
none  
jackson, california 95665

-----Original Message-----

From: peterboffey1@gmail.com [mailto:peterboffey1@gmail.com]

Sent: Monday, August 31, 2009 5:24 PM

To: Francis, Thomas

Subject: Please drop plans to expand Pardee Reservoir

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Peter Boffey  
613 Preakness Dr  
Walnut Creek, CA 94597

From: RoseSouza@aol.com [mailto:RoseSouza@aol.com]  
Sent: Monday, June 22, 2009 12:54 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Please drop plans to expand Pardee Reservoir

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Rosemarie Jackson  
1024 Trellis Lane  
Alameda, CA 94502

From: rmbrowntrout@gmail.com [mailto:rmbrowntrout@gmail.com]  
Sent: Sat 8/1/2009 8:37 AM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Please drop plans to expand Pardee Reservoir

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ryan matt  
10788 manchester dr  
truckee, ca 96161

From: tyersome@gmail.com [mailto:tyersome@gmail.com]  
Sent: Tuesday, August 11, 2009 9:12 AM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Please drop plans to expand Pardee Reservoir

Dear East Bay MUD Directors -

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Randall Tyers  
63 Oakvale Ave.  
Berkeley, CA 94705

-----Original Message-----

From: sharron.james@gmail.com [mailto:sharron.james@gmail.com]

Sent: Sunday, August 09, 2009 2:24 PM

To: Francis, Thomas

Subject: Please drop plans to expand Pardee Reservoir

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Sharron James  
P O Box 723  
Tuolumne, California 95379



From: stevemenicucci@hotmail.com [mailto:stevemenicucci@hotmail.com]  
Sent: Tuesday, July 21, 2009 9:44 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
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Steve Menicucci  
2763 S. Norfolk St. #107  
San Mateo, CA 94403

-----Original Message-----

From: tomi@volcano.net [mailto:tomi@volcano.net]

Sent: Saturday, August 08, 2009 3:12 PM

To: Francis, Thomas

Subject: Please drop plans to expand Pardee Reservoir

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Tom Infusino  
P.O. Box 792  
Pine Grove, CA 95665

From: anahuy59@msn.com [mailto:anahuy59@msn.com]  
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2009 7:59 AM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Please drop plans to expand Pardee Reservoir

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Teresa Kurtzhall  
PO Box 143  
Elk, Washington 99009

From: JacksonWC@aol.com [mailto:JacksonWC@aol.com]  
Sent: Monday, June 22, 2009 1:19 PM  
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William Jackson  
1024 Trellis Lane  
Alameda, CA 94502

From: warrenjo@pacbell.net [mailto:warrenjo@pacbell.net]  
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Warren Johnson  
6415 Meadowridge Dr.  
Santa Rosa, California 95409

-----Original Message-----

From: yn24@uclink.berkeley.edu [mailto:yn24@uclink.berkeley.edu]

Sent: Wednesday, August 12, 2009 8:30 AM

To: Francis, Thomas

Subject: Please drop plans to expand Pardee Reservoir

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Yuko Nakajima  
63 Oakvale Ave.  
Berkeley, CA 94705

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**August 2009**

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*Sincerely, Proxy w/permission from vacationing*

*Christopher Lombardi  
1557 8TH ST  
Oakland, Ca. 94607*

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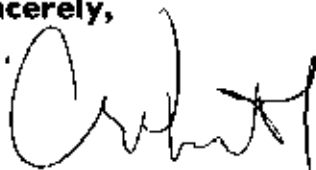
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CHRIS PRATT  
1568 7th St.  
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*Keri Atwood*

**EBMUD Customer**

*1561 8th St*

*Oakland CA 94607*



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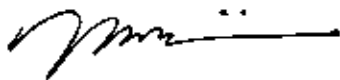
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*Katherine Yoshi  
555 Pierce St #527  
Albany CA 94706*

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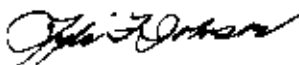
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2264 San Antonio Avenue  
Alameda, CA 94501-4914

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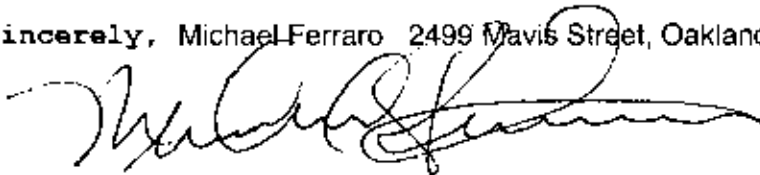
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*Diana Aehegma*

Diana Aehegma  
5679 Ocean View Dr.  
Oakland, CA 94618

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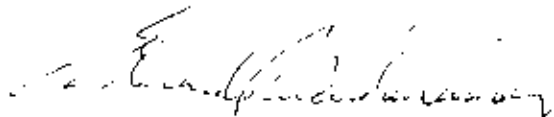
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571 58688 Oakland CA 94609

July 30 2009

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40 Arlmont Dr.  
Kensington, CA 94707

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## Individual Letters

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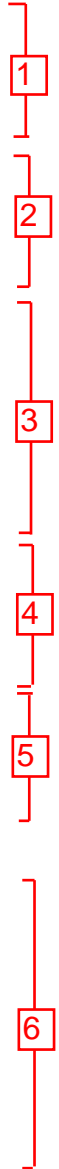
From: mangoldini@yahoo.com [mailto:mangoldini@yahoo.com]  
Sent: Monday, June 08, 2009 4:07 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Please drop plans to expand Pardee Reservoir

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Please leave these miles of the Mokelumne a river for future generations.

Ann Mangold  
P.O. Box 424  
El Granada, CA 94018



## **Ann Mangold (AMa)**

AMa-1. Please see response Form Letter 2-1.

AMa-2. Please see response Form Letter 4-2.

AMa-3. Please see response Form Letter 2-3.

AMa-4. Please see response Form Letter 2-4.

AMa-5. Please see response Form Letter 2-5.

AMa-6. Please see response Form Letter 2-6.

From: pets@sogetthis.com [mailto:pets@sogetthis.com]  
Sent: Sat 5/16/2009 1:29 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Please drop plans to expand Pardee Reservoir

Dear East Bay MUD: I urge you to drop your plans to build a new Pardee Dam and expand Pardee Reservoir as part of your 2040 water plan.

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A Stuart  
13149 Clairepointe Way  
Oakland, ca 94619

## A. Stuart (AStu)

AStu-1. Please see response Form Letter 2-1.

AStu-2. Please see response Form Letter 4-2.

AStu-3. Please see response Form Letter 2-3.

AStu-4. Please see response Form Letter 2-4.

AStu-5. Please see response Form Letter 2-5.

AStu-6. Please see response Form Letter 2-6.

From: bchogan@volcano.net [mailto:bchogan@volcano.net]  
Sent: Tuesday, May 05, 2009 12:00 AM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Please drop plans to expand Pardee Reservoir

Dear East Bay MUD and local officials:

I absolutely do not support raising Pardee dam. The impacts of raising the dam far outweigh the benefits, especially when much of that volume of water can be gained through conservation measures.

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Please rethink this proposal. Allow the Mokelumne to provide recreation and remain a vital waterway in our community.

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Thank you for your attention,  
Bronwyn Hogan

Bronwyn Hogan  
P.O. Box 1102  
Pioneer, CA 95666

## Bronwyn Hogan (BH)

BH-1. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040. At this stage, there is no certainty regarding the impacts of the potential Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Impacts of the component will be fully examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component.

EBMUD supports increased water conservation and has included a high level of conservation in the WSMP 2040. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives.

BH-2. EBMUD recognizes the importance of the Mokelumne River to the local community. Impacts to recreation will be fully examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component.



From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf Of Bix Whitcomb  
Sent: Wednesday, June 10, 2009 12:23 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Jun 10, 2009

Mr. Thomas Francis  
375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

Dear Mr. Francis,

Please do not enlarge the Pardee and Lower Bear reservoirs drowning a segment of the Mokelumne River. EBMUD. Please spare my beautiful Mokelumne from drowning! I am in accord with the following message:

I believe that EBMUD can easily meet its future water needs without enlarging the Pardee or Lower Bear Reservoirs. EBMUD's proposed Water Supply Management Plan is significantly overestimating future demand. In addition, the Plan substantially underestimates the amount of water that could be produced by reasonable and achievable increases in water conservation, recycling, groundwater storage, and increased rationing during drought years.

The Pardee reservoir enlargement will drown a segment of the Mokelumne River recommended by the BLM for wild and scenic river protection. This section is also popular for kayaking and fishing. The Pardee enlargement would destroy the recently renovated Middle Bar Bridge and other existing and proposed public access facilities, as well as require the costly relocation of the Hwy 49 bridge.

The Lower Bear reservoir enlargement could alter Mokelumne River flows that have been improved to benefit fish, wildlife, and recreation. These improved flows took years to negotiate as part of PG&E's federal hydroelectric license. EBMUD's proposed reservoir enlargements will thwart the decades of work that have gone into making the Mokelumne a more viable recreation resource that will economically benefit foothill communities.

Please revise the Plan to eliminate the Pardee and Lower Bear Reservoir enlargements. The Plan should focus on increased conservation, recycling, and drought year rationing instead.

Sincerely,

Mr. Bix Whitcomb  
1037 Broncho Rd  
Pebble Beach, CA 93953-2703

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## **Bix Whitcomb (BW)**

- BW-1. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040 and support of Form Letter 3.
- BW-2. Please see response Form Letter 3-1.
- BW-3. Please see response Form Letter 3-2.
- BW-4. Please see response Form Letter 3-3.

From: dave blake [mailto:dave@blake.net]  
Sent: Wednesday, May 06, 2009 8:49 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Cc: Andy Katz  
Subject: Water Supply Management Program 2040 comment

May 6, 2009

Thomas Francis  
EBMUD

Mr. Francis,  
My apologies for submitting a late comment. I became aware of the issues involving the Mokelumne River and EBMUD's inclusion of a proposal to further dam it due to an article in this week's East Bay Express, and by the time I downloaded and looked through the draft EIR the May 4th deadline had passed. There's a high likelihood that my concerns will be addressed by other commentators, but in the event that they aren't, I hope you can convey my concerns to the EIR team.

As a long-time participant in the public decision-making process (15 years on the Berkeley Zoning Board, 2 as chair, 6 as vice chair), I've acquired some practical knowledge of how public awareness evolves over the life of an issue. I believe the issue of water use is about to blossom, in a manner similar to and related to the sudden spate of public concern about gasoline supplies and electricity, gas and heating oil supplies.

The current absorption with these issues is not directly related to scarcity; mostly it has to do with market price, and only the possibility of scarcity. Public interest in EBMUD issues has long been governed by REAL scarcity. But there's a lot of evidence that the large part of the public screen that the use of natural resources has occupied for the last decade is not going to wane, particularly with a federal administration so concerned with stewardship. With the changing public situation in mind, it would be best for all stakeholders for the water board to step back from what has long seemed to be a crisis-driven policy structure and see if the board can become instrumental in forging a new public consensus on the relationship between land use and water use. I can't imagine a more appropriate vehicle for such consensus-creation than a 30-year plan.

That consensus will be the product of a rising awareness of water as an limited, expendable natural resource. People need to enter a conservation mode whenever they turn on a faucet. That goes, of course, for industrial users as well as residential users. The industrial users will respond to pricing pressure more readily than residents; but it is the attitude of residents that will determine the success or failure of our policies, the residents who will respond with either resentment or appreciation at the actions of the board, and express their sentiment at the polls.

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To this end, the era of drought/sufficiency seesawing must come to an end. There is no time when we have enough water to meet our needs, or we wouldn't have years of shortage. Conservation (and it's companion, constant awareness) must become a habit, and habits cannot be turned on and off. We need to think of every year as a dangerous year to be careless about water use. We need a permanent shortage mentality. This mentality will start to come into being when the board gives restraint of water use permanent, serious treatment.

This has been a terrible year for seriousness. We've been treated instead to continual press releases about the severity of the situation without proportionately severe ramifications. This year's long and painful hearings have fostered the image that your decision-making is a political decision, not a stewardship decision. The long-range plan you are now considering cannot be seen to be centered on infrastructure projects and must give equal focus to conservation. We must start to plan for conservation in as thoroughgoing a manner as we plan new dams if we are ever going to stop looking like a politically-driven process with our fingers always in the air. We need to develop and adopt firm triggers for serious conservation measures--real triggers that require no board action to go into effect, and that go into effect without public-process delay.

The loss of wildness is really a loss for every stakeholder; it's just that only some stakeholders feel a clear and powerful enough interest to express their fears. Reading the draft report, and seeing the consideration of the Mokelumne dam reduced to legalistic land and water rights and gallons of storage reduces your decision to a horrible instrumentalism. There should never be a moment in the report when destruction of wild area should ever be presented as anything other than a desperate choice to be resorted to only in the most extreme circumstances, a choice that ALL stakeholders should abhor. But you will never be able to produce that tone in the report until you show an equal seriousness about conservation, a seriousness that the board has thus far failed to muster.

I have never visited the Mokelumne, and am a minor user of public recreation areas in general. But I will never be willing to accept the wildness sacrifices you propose until I have a sense of the price I will pay if we fail to make that sacrifice. Have some faith in the public and institute permanent, serious conservation measures that impose significant penalties for heavy use that go into automatic effect at absolute trigger points; only then can we meaningfully talk about new dams.

Dave Blake

p.s. Part of public education is understanding the different needs of different constituencies. A focus of any conservation plan should be significantly higher allotments for existing residents in the valley corridor. At the same time, all new residential development should be

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hit with initial infrastructure-development fees that reflect the minimum level of water allotment required for its region.

## Dave Blake (DBI)

- DBI-1. EBMUD acknowledges the comment regarding developing linkages between land use plans as based on water use and availability, particular as it applies to long-range planning exercises. As noted in the Master Response on the Demand Study, EBMUD worked with numerous community planning agencies to develop our Need for Water estimate. Through those and other discussions, EBMUD works to make planning departments aware of the challenges that the District faces as we strive to meet our commitment to meet our customer's water needs during times of drought.
- DBI-2. Please see Responses SCSFB2-7 and SCSFB2-17 for a discussion of EBMUD's rate pricing structure, including how the Board decided to address rates as a topic separate from the WSMP 2040.
- EBMUD's Board of Directors recommended a high level of water conservation for inclusion in the Preferred Portfolio. That level, coupled with extensive use of recycled water as well as 10 percent rationing, will allow the District to meet the projected Need for Water in non-drought years. During times of drought, it was shown that additional (supplemental) supplies are necessary. By taking an approach of including a mix of supplemental supply and recycled water project options, coupled with extensive use of water conservation strategies and willingness to ask our customers to ration at an achievable (10%) level, the District has created a portfolio that is not infrastructure-centric.
- DBI-3. EBMUD recognizes the importance of the Mokelumne River to the community. Project impacts will be fully examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir or Enlarge Lower Bear Reservoir components. The project-level EIR will also identify specific mitigation measures to reduce significant impacts.
- DBI-4. Please see Responses SCSFB2-7 and SCSFB2-17 for a discussion of EBMUD's rate pricing structure, including how implementation of a rate pricing system which provides a higher allotment to East of Hill Customers (similar to that imposed by Irvine Ranch Water District) would not incentivize wise water use. EBMUD has a rate system in place that addresses developer fees.

From: ddnursense@gmail.com [mailto:ddnursense@gmail.com]  
Sent: Wednesday, May 27, 2009 10:21 AM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Please drop plans to expand Pardee Reservoir

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Please leave these miles of the Mokelumne a river for future generations. In addition it would wipe out established estuaries of Canadian Geese that nest in the reeds on the river each spring...

deborah dugger  
807 South Westerly #110  
Payson, Az 85541

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## Deborah Dugger (DDug)

DDug-1. Please see response Form Letter 2-1.

DDug-2. Please see response Form Letter 4-2.

DDug-3. Please see response Form Letter 2-3.

DDug-4. Please see response Form Letter 2-4.

DDug-5. Please see response Form Letter 2-5.

DDug-6. Please see response Form Letter 2-6.

DDug-7. Impacts to biological resources and specifically to estuaries used by Canada geese will be fully examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Canada geese are listed in the Draft PEIR Table 4.2.C-3 as potentially occurring in the EBMUD service area and Central Valley



-----Original Message-----

From: Dylan Silver [mailto:dylanmsilver@gmail.com]  
Sent: Monday, May 11, 2009 9:03 PM  
To: Customer Service  
Subject: SAVE THE MOKELUMNE!

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## Dylan Silver (DSi)

- DSi-1. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040. Project impacts on the Mokelumne River and other resources will be fully examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component.

From: Erica Jackson [mailto:[ejackson729@yahoo.com](mailto:ejackson729@yahoo.com)]  
Sent: Wednesday, June 17, 2009 5:52 PM  
To: Customer Service  
Subject: Pardee Dam Expansion

Dear EBMUD,

We are writing regarding the proposed expansion of the Pardee Dam. As residents of Alameda County, we are strongly against the expansion of the Pardee Dam.

It is not right to alter the landscape, and destroy habitats, vegetation, and the historic Middle Bar Bridge along the Mokelumne River. Why should the residents of Amador County have to pay the price for the increase in demand for water as the population in Alameda County grows? EBMUD should be emphasizing conservation, rather than sending the message to Alameda County residents that the water crisis will be solved with the expansion of the Pardee Dam.

The thought of the Mokelumne River and its surroundings being destroyed is very upsetting to us. Every summer for the past 20 years, we have headed to the Mokelumne River to pan for gold and relax. Over the years, we have seen wildlife that we normally do not see in Alameda. To think that those animals could lose their habitats because of Alameda County's need for water, is enough incentive for us to further cut back on our usage of water.

Please reject the Pardee Dam expansion.

Sincerely,

The Jackson Family  
1024 Trellis Lane  
Alameda, CA 94502  
[Ejackson729@yahoo.com](mailto:ejackson729@yahoo.com)

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## Erica Jackson 1 - Responses to Comment Letter #1 - 6/17/09 (EJ1)

- EJ1-1. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040.
- EJ1-2. EBMUD recognizes the importance of the Mokelumne River to the local community as well as the value of the landscape, habitat, and historic resources present. EBMUD supports increased water conservation and has included a high level of conservation in the WSMP 2040. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives.
- EJ1-3. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040. At this stage, there is no certainty regarding the impacts of the potential Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Impacts to recreation and wildlife will be fully examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component.

From: Ejackson729@aol.com [mailto:Ejackson729@aol.com]  
Sent: Monday, June 22, 2009 1:06 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Please drop plans to expand Pardee Reservoir

Dear East Bay MUD: I urge you to drop your plans to build a new Pardee Dam and expand Pardee Reservoir as part of your 2040 water plan. As a resident of Alameda County, I am strongly against the expansion of the Pardee Dam.

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The thought of the Mokelumne River and its surroundings being destroyed is very upsetting to me. Every summer for the past 20 years, my family and I have headed to the Mokelumne River to pan for gold and relax.

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Please reject the Pardee Dam expansion.

Erica Jackson  
1024 Trellis Lane  
Alameda, CA 94502

## Erica Jackson 2 - Responses to Comment Letter #1 - 6/22/09 (EJ2)

- EJ2-1. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir and Enlarge Lower Bear Reservoir components of the WSMP 2040.
- EJ2-2. At this stage, there is no certainty regarding the impacts of the potential Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Impacts will be fully examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. EBMUD supports increased water conservation and has included a high level of conservation in the WSMP 2040. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives.
- EJ2-3. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040. EBMUD recognizes the many recreational opportunities provided by the Mokelumne River, as well as its importance to the local community. Impacts to recreation will be thoroughly examined in the project-level EIR for this component, when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning. The project-level EIR will also identify specific mitigation measures to reduce significant impacts.

From: ikyles@nationalwood.com [mailto:ikyles@nationalwood.com]  
Sent: Friday, May 08, 2009 9:07 AM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
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Ivan Kyles  
P. O. Box:  
Plymouth, Cal. 95669

## Ivan Kyles (IK)

- IK-1. Please see response Form Letter 2-1.
- IK-2. Please see response Form Letter 4-2.
- IK-3. Please see response Form Letter 2-3.
- IK-4. Please see response Form Letter 2-4.
- IK-5. Please see response Form Letter 2-5.
- IK-6. Please see response Form Letter 2-6.



From: jenna.bianchi@gmail.com [mailto:jenna.bianchi@gmail.com]  
Sent: Monday, May 11, 2009 6:18 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Please drop plans to expand Pardee Reservoir

Dear East Bay MUD: I urge you to drop your plans to build a new Pardee Dam and expand Pardee Reservoir as part of your 2040 water plan.

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I grew up in Calaveras County along the Mokelumne river, this river is a part of my childhood and I would like it to be part of my childrens as well. Please realize how devastating this would be to many people.

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Jenna Bianchi  
1300 Irving Street #28  
San Francisco , CA 94122

## Jenna Bianchi (JBi)

- JBi-1. Please see response Form Letter 2-1.
- JBi-2. Please see response Form Letter 4-2.
- JBi-3. Please see response Form Letter 2-3.
- JBi-4. Please see response Form Letter 2-4.
- JBi-5. Please see response Form Letter 2-5.
- JBi-6. Please see response Form Letter 2-6.
- JBi-7. EBMUD recognizes the importance of the Mokelumne River to the local community.

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf Of Julie Ginsburg  
Sent: Wednesday, July 08, 2009 6:44 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Jul 8, 2009

Mr. Thomas Francis  
375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

Dear Mr. Francis,

Please do not enlarge the Pardee and Lower Bear reservoirs drowning a segment of the Mokelumne River. I believe that EBMUD can easily meet its future water needs without enlarging the Pardee or Lower Bear Reservoirs. EBMUD's proposed Water Supply Management Plan is significantly overestimating future demand. In addition, the Plan substantially underestimates the amount of water that could be produced by reasonable and achievable increases in water conservation, recycling, groundwater storage, and increased rationing during drought years.

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The Pardee reservoir enlargement will drown a segment of the Mokelumne River recommended by the BLM for wild and scenic river protection. This section is also popular for kayaking and fishing. The Pardee enlargement would destroy the recently renovated Middle Bar Bridge and other existing and proposed public access facilities, as well as require the costly relocation of the Hwy 49 bridge.

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The Lower Bear reservoir enlargement could alter Mokelumne River flows that have been improved to benefit fish, wildlife, and recreation. These improved flows took years to negotiate as part of PG&E's federal hydroelectric license. EBMUD's proposed reservoir enlargements will thwart the decades of work that have gone into making the Mokelumne a more viable recreation resource that will economically benefit foothill communities.

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I visited this stretch of the Mokelumne last summer (at Highway 49) it is very scenic, powerful and inspiring. As an EBMUD consumer, I wanted to see the watershed my water comes from. I have been conserving even more water now that I have a personal connection to the source.

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Please revise the Plan to eliminate the Pardee and Lower Bear Reservoir enlargements. The Plan should focus on increased conservation, recycling, and drought year rationing instead.

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Sincerely,

Ms. Julie Ginsburg  
2431 11th Ave  
Oakland, CA 94606-2713

**Julie Ginsburg (JG)**

JG-1. Please see response Form Letter 3-1.

JG-2. Please see response Form Letter 3-2.

JG-3. Please see response Form Letter 3-3.

JG-4. The District acknowledges the commenter's concerns regarding the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040. Impacts to visual resources will be fully examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component.

EBMUD supports increased water conservation and has included a high level of conservation in the WSMP 2040. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives.

JG-5. EBMUD recognizes the value of water conservation, recycling and rationing, and has included them as components in the Preferred Portfolio. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040.

From: jesshayes@yahoo.com [mailto:jesshayes@yahoo.com]  
Sent: Monday, June 08, 2009 1:33 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Please drop plans to expand Pardee Reservoir

Dear East Bay MUD: I urge you to drop your plans to build a new Pardee Dam and expand Pardee Reservoir as part of your 2040 water plan.

- A new dam will be too expensive for EBMUD ratepayers, be an uncertain water supply, and harm miles of the Mokelumne River as well as the Delta and its fisheries.
- Enlarging Pardee will drown a part of the Mokelumne popular for kayaking and fishing, submerge or require removal of the historic Middle Bar Bridge and river access facilities, inundate important cultural resources, require construction of a new Highway 49 bridge, and seasonally inundate nearly a mile of river proposed for National Wild and Scenic River designation by the Bureau of Land Management.
- Enlarging Pardee will destroy decades of work and investment by public agencies and local residents to improve recreational use of the Mokelumne River, thwarting local efforts to use the river for economic development.
- Creating dead-end roads approaching the river will cut off a critical fire evacuation route for residents of Middle Bar and Gwin Mine roads.
- There is no reason to destroy more miles of a popular river used by locals and visitors alike and its fish habitat. You can avoid the environmental, social and economic cost by using your water supplies, including the new American River water supply, more efficiently.

Please leave these miles of the Mokelumne a river for future generations.

Jessica Hayes  
2120 T Street  
Sacramento, CA 95816

## Jessica Hayes (JH)

- JH-1. Please see response Form Letter 2-1.
- JH-2. Please see response Form Letter 4-2.
- JH-3. Please see response Form Letter 2-3.
- JH-4. Please see response Form Letter 2-4.
- JH-5. Please see response Form Letter 2-5.
- JH-6. Please see response Form Letter 2-6.

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf Of Jeffrey Ludwig  
Sent: Wednesday, June 24, 2009 11:04 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Jun 25, 2009

Mr. Thomas Francis  
375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

Dear Mr. Francis,

Please do not enlarge the Pardee and Lower Bear reservoirs drowning a segment of the Mokelumne River. I ask you to please consider all other possible avenues to avoid destroying a large portion of an already short run on the Mokelumne. This is a cherished river run by so many people, including myself. Local communities count on the business they receive from the many out of town visitors such as myself. It saddens me that I'll probably never get to experience the Camp Nine run on the Stanislaus, but at least we can protect the Mokelumne for those who haven't had a chance to enjoy it yet.

Please revise the Plan to eliminate the Pardee and Lower Bear Reservoir enlargements. The Plan should focus on increased conservation, recycling, and drought year rationing instead.

Sincerely,

Mr. Jeffrey Ludwig  
4775 Pine Forest Ln  
San Jose, CA 95118-2295

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**Jeffrey Ludwig (JL)**

- JL-1. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir and Enlarge Lower Bear Reservoir components of the WSMP 2040. EBMUD recognizes the many recreational opportunities provided by the Mokelumne River, as well as its importance to the local community. Project impacts related to recreation, socio economics, and other resources will be fully examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component.
- JL-2. EBMUD recognizes the value of water conservation, recycling and rationing, and has included them as components in the Preferred Portfolio. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040.



From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf Of Joyce Smaragdis  
Sent: Wednesday, May 06, 2009 7:46 AM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

May 6, 2009

Mr. Thomas Francis  
375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

Dear Mr. Francis,

Please do not enlarge the Pardee and Lower Bear reservoirs drowning a segment of the Mokelumne River.

Mokelumne is an incredibly beautiful, special and timeless place. Please don't destroy a habitat that has taken hundreds of thousands of years to create.

I believe that EBMUD can easily meet its future water needs without enlarging the Pardee or Lower Bear Reservoirs. EBMUD's proposed Water Supply Management Plan is significantly overestimating future demand. In addition, the Plan substantially underestimates the amount of water that could be produced by reasonable and achievable increases in water conservation, recycling, groundwater storage, and increased rationing during drought years.

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Sincerely,

Mrs. Joyce Smaragdis

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28 Kingswood Rd  
Palmyra, VA 22963-2823

## Joyce Smaragdis (JSm)

- JSm-1. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir and Enlarge Lower Bear Reservoir components of the WSMP 2040.
- JSm-2. EBMUD recognizes the importance of the Mokelumne River to the local community. Impacts to biological resources will be fully examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component.
- JSm-3. Please see response Form Letter 3-1.
- JSm-4. Please see response Form Letter 3-2.
- JSm-5. Please see response Form Letter 3-3.

From: toadfu@yahoo.com [mailto:toadfu@yahoo.com]  
Sent: Tuesday, August 25, 2009 9:44 AM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Please drop plans to expand Pardee Reservoir

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Good conservation policies, together with water rates that encourage conservation are all that are needed to provide adequate water for a growing population. EBMUD's water conservation department is moving forward with innovative programs and ideas which can be put into effect before considering a dam.

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Justine Smith  
726 Walker Avenue  
Oakland, CA 94610

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**Justine Smith (JSmit)**

JSmit-1. EBMUD supports increased water conservation and has included a high level of conservation in the WSMP 2040. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives. Please see the responses SCSFB2-7 and SCSFB2-17 for a discussion of EBMUD's rate pricing structure.

JSmit-2. Please see responses Form Letter 4-1 through Form Letter 4-7.

-----Original Message-----

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf Of Kevin Clark  
Sent: Monday, July 27, 2009 10:36 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Jul 28, 2009

Mr. Thomas Francis  
375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

Dear Mr. Francis,

Please do not enlarge the Pardee and Lower Bear reservoirs drowning a segment of the Mokelumne River.

I rafted the Mokelumne river as a young boy dozens of times with my family. We didn't have much money, but my father purchased a raft from Kmart and that would provide years of family outings back in the 70's. My first date with my wife 27 years ago was on the beach of the

Mokelumne Electra run. Years later I would return to learn to kayak and fly fish on the Mokelumne river. It has been 10 years since I have visited the wonderful Mokelumne, but I would guess that thousands and thousands of people young and old have enjoyed this great accessible river.

I believe that EBMUD can easily meet its future water needs without enlarging the Pardee or Lower Bear Reservoirs. EBMUD's proposed Water Supply Management Plan is significantly overestimating future demand. In addition, the Plan substantially underestimates the amount of water that could be produced by reasonable and achievable increases in water conservation, recycling, groundwater storage, and increased rationing during drought years.

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River recommended by the BLM for wild and scenic river protection. This

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Please revise the Plan to eliminate the Pardee and Lower Bear Reservoir enlargements. The Plan should focus on increased conservation, recycling, and drought year rationing instead.

Sincerely,

Mr. Kevin Clark  
570 39th St  
Sacramento, CA 95816-3935

**Kevin Clark (KCI)**

- KCI-1. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040. EBMUD recognizes the many recreational opportunities provided by the Mokelumne River. Impacts to recreation will be thoroughly examined in the project-level EIR for this component, when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning. The project-level EIR will also identify specific mitigation measures to reduce significant impacts.
- KCI-2. Please see responses Form Letter 3-1 through Form Letter 3-3.



From: swellkell@aol.com [mailto:swellkell@aol.com]  
Sent: Sat 6/20/2009 9:58 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Please drop plans to expand Pardee Reservoir

Dear East Bay MUD:

I urge you to drop your plans to build a new Pardee Dam and expand Pardee Reservoir as part of your 2040 water plan.

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A new dam will harm miles of the Mokelumne River as well as the Delta and its fisheries.

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There is no reason to destroy more miles of a popular river used by locals and visitors alike and its fish habitat. You can avoid the environmental, social and economic cost by using your water supplies, including the new American River water supply, more efficiently.

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Kelley Jackson  
270 Van Buren Ave #3  
Oakland, CA 94610

**Kelley Jackson (KJa)**

- KJa-1. Please see response Form Letter 2-1.
- KJa-2. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040. Impacts to the Mokelumne River and to the Delta and its fisheries will be fully examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component.
- KJa-3. Please see response Form Letter 2-3.
- KJa-4. Please see response Form Letter 2-4.
- KJa-5. Please see response Form Letter 2-5.
- KJa-6. Please see response Form Letter 2-6.

-----Original Message-----

From: kentlewan@yahoo.com [mailto:kentlewan@yahoo.com]

Sent: Sunday, August 09, 2009 9:38 AM

To: Francis, Thomas

Subject: Please drop plans to expand Pardee Reservoir

Dear East Bay MUD Director Katy Foulkes (my Ward representative):

I urge you to drop your plans to build a new Pardee Dam and expand Pardee Reservoir as part of your 2040 water plan.

I am very concerned that EBMUD is approaching the Pardee Reservoir as a source of revenue, and not with the goal of water stewardship in mind.

Claims that we need this dam to prepare for global warming are not realistic. When global warming becomes so severe that it melts off all the Sierra snow, its impact will be too severe to deal with by construction or enlargement of a dam or two. It is the same as arguing that building a retaining wall in front of San Francisco Bay will save the bay wetlands from the impacts of global warming.

What we need instead are strong measures, which are politically unpopular, to induce water conservation (incentivize it, or force it).

I appreciate you considering my views.

Kent Lewandowski  
360 Monte Vista Ave., Apt. 213  
Oakland, CA 94611

## Kent Lewandowski (KLe)

- KLe-1. The District acknowledges the commenter's support for water conservation, water recycling and other soft path projects, as well as the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. As stated in the Master Response on the WSMP 2040, the District is committed to implementing high levels of water conservation. Please see Response FC3-7 for a discussion of global climate change.

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf  
Of Kathleen Roberts  
Sent: Wednesday, June 10, 2009 3:54 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Jun 10, 2009

Mr. Thomas Francis  
375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

Dear Mr. Francis,

Please do not enlarge the Pardee and Lower Bear reservoirs drowning a  
segment of the Mokelumne River. Please do not expand the Pardee Reservoir  
and destroy the invaluable ecosystem and recreation of a segment of the  
Mokelumne River!

Conservation measures are in order and can address our water needs. How  
can you take us off water rationing so you can destroy more habitat?

Please revise the Plan to eliminate the Pardee and Lower Bear Reservoir  
enlargements. The Plan should focus on increased conservation, recycling,  
and drought year rationing instead.

Sincerely,

Ms. Kathleen Roberts  
2245 Prince St  
Berkeley, CA 94705-1854

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## Kathleen Roberts 2 - Responses to Comment Letter #2 - 6/10/09 (KR02)

- KRo2-1. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir and Enlarge Lower Bear Reservoir components of the WSMP 2040. EBMUD recognizes the many recreational opportunities provided by the Mokelumne River as well as the biological resources and valuable ecosystem. Impacts to recreation will be thoroughly examined in the project-level EIR for this component, when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning. The project-level EIR will also identify specific mitigation measures to reduce significant impacts.
- KRo2-2. EBMUD supports increased water conservation and has included a high level of conservation in the WSMP 2040. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives. For a discussion of the rationing levels considered as part of WSMP 2040, please see response FC3-5.
- KRo2-3. EBMUD recognizes the value of water conservation, recycling and rationing, and has included them as components in the Preferred Portfolio. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040.

From: ktetzel@comcast.net [mailto:ktetzel@comcast.net]  
Sent: Saturday, July 04, 2009 6:57 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Please drop plans to expand Pardee Reservoir

Dear East Bay MUD: I urge you to drop your plans to build a new Pardee Dam and expand Pardee Reservoir as part of your 2040 water plan.

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- There is no reason to destroy more miles of a popular river used by locals and visitors alike and its fish habitat. You can avoid the environmental, social and economic cost by using your water supplies, including the new American River water supply, more efficiently.
- The expansion is opposed by the County of Amador; cities of Jackson, Sutter Creek, Ione, and Plymouth; Amador Historical Society; Amador County Recreation Agency; and a large coalition of local, regional and national fish, river conservation and recreation organizations. As an avid angler, I have spent many days on the Moke flyfishing for wild trout. Please try to keep protecting this great resource instead of removing it for future generatins.

Please leave these miles of the Mokelumne a river for future generations.

Ken Tetzel  
867 Cherokee DriveLivermore  
Livermore, Calif. 94551

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## Ken Tetzel (KT)

- KT-1. Please see response Form Letter 4-1.
- KT-2. Please see response Form Letter 4-2.
- KT-3. Please see response Form Letter 4-3.
- KT-4. Please see response Form Letter 4-4.
- KT-5. Please see response Form Letter 4-5.
- KT-6. Please see response Form Letter 4-6.
- KT-7. Please see response Form Letter 4-7.
- KT-8. EBMUD recognizes the many recreational opportunities provided by the Mokelumne River, as well as its importance to the local community. EBMUD also acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040. Impacts to recreation will be fully examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component.



From: glindseed@yahoo.com [mailto:glindseed@yahoo.com]  
Sent: Monday, May 11, 2009 12:07 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Please drop plans to expand Pardee Reservoir

Dear East Bay MUD: I urge you to drop your plans to build a new Pardee Dam and expand Pardee Reservoir as part of your 2040 water plan.

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Lindsey gulyas  
1571 auburn ravine rd  
auburn, ca 95603

## Lindsey Gulyas 2 - Response to Comment Letter #2 - 5/11/09 (LGul2)

LGul2-1. Please see response Form Letter 2-1.

LGul2-2. Please see response Form Letter 4-2.

LGul2-3. Please see response Form Letter 2-3.

LGul2-4. Please see response Form Letter 2-4.

LGul2-5. Please see response Form Letter 2-5.

LGul2-6. Please see response Form Letter 2-6.

From: planetjurs@mac.com [mailto:planetjurs@mac.com]  
Sent: Monday, May 11, 2009 2:16 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Please drop plans to expand Pardee Reservoir

Dear East Bay MUD: I urge you to drop your plans to build a new Pardee Dam and expand Pardee Reservoir as part of your 2040 water plan.

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As a long time property owner in Calaveras County, I urge you to release a comprehensive cost/benefit analysis that includes all intangible as well as tangible benefits. Please include all costs such as recreation and tourism and harm to fisheries and how the plans interface with all Delta rehabilitation plans.

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Laurie Jurs  
3550 W Calle Uno  
Green Valley, AZ 85622

## Laurie Jurs (LJu)

LJu-1. Please see response Form Letter 2-1.

LJu-2. An extensive economic analysis was conducted as part of the WSMP 2040. During this process, an estimation of both the individual component costs as well as the portfolio costs was developed.

A complete explanation of the methodology for the economic analysis as well as the results are available in the Water Supply and Economic Modeling Report which is included as an appendix to the WSMP 2040. The estimated costs of each of the components can be found in the March 25, 2008 Board of Supervisors Workshop #7 presentation:

[http://www.ebmud.com/water\\_&\\_environment/water\\_supply/water\\_supply\\_management\\_program/board/080325-BOD-workshop-Agenda-&-Presentation.pdf](http://www.ebmud.com/water_&_environment/water_supply/water_supply_management_program/board/080325-BOD-workshop-Agenda-&-Presentation.pdf)

EBMUD will refine the economic analysis at the project level, when more information about each of the individual components, partners, and expected customers (e.g., domestic, agriculture, industrial, etc.) are known. Please see the Master Response on Program-level EIR analysis.

As stated in the Master Response on the WSMP 2040, EBMUD will pursue multiple supplemental supply components simultaneously, with the most cost effective and efficient projects being pursued first.

Please see response FC3-27 for a discussion of conditions in the Delta and impacts of WSMP 2040 on the Delta.

LJu-3. Please see response Form Letter 2-3.

LJu-4. Please see response Form Letter 2-4.

LJu-5. Please see response Form Letter 2-5.

LJu-6. Please see response Form Letter 2-6.

From: baldwin@pgadesign.com [mailto:baldwin@pgadesign.com]  
Sent: Tuesday, August 25, 2009 9:35 AM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
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Maura Baldwin  
1005 Liberty Court  
El Cerrito, CA 94530

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**Maura Baldwin (MBal)**

MBal-1. Please see responses Form Letter 4-1 through Form Letter 4-7.

MBal-2. EBMUD supports increased water conservation and has included a high level of conservation in the WSMP 2040. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives. Please see the responses SCSFB2-7 and SCSFB2-17 for a discussion of EBMUD's rate pricing structure.

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf Of Margaretha Derasary  
Sent: Wednesday, June 10, 2009 4:24 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Jun 10, 2009

Mr. Thomas Francis  
375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

Dear Mr. Francis,

Please do not enlarge the Pardee and Lower Bear reservoirs drowning a segment of the Mokelumne River. We need the rivers that there are/ Too many have been ruined. EBMUD's proposed Water Supply Management Plan underestimates the amount of water that could be produced by reasonable and achievable increases in water conservation, recycling, groundwater storage, and increased rationing during drought years.

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The Pardee reservoir enlargement will drown a segment of the Mokelumne River recommended by the BLM for wild and scenic river protection. This section is also popular for kayaking and fishing. The Pardee enlargement would destroy the recently renovated Middle Bar Bridge and other existing and proposed public access facilities, as well as require the costly relocation of the Hwy 49 bridge.

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The Lower Bear reservoir enlargement could alter Mokelumne River flows that have been improved to benefit fish, wildlife, and recreation. These improved flows took years to negotiate as part of PG&E's federal hydroelectric license. EBMUD's proposed reservoir enlargements will thwart the decades of work that have gone into making the Mokelumne a more viable recreation resource that will economically benefit foothill communities.

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Please revise the Plan to eliminate the Pardee and Lower Bear Reservoir enlargements. The Plan should focus on increased conservation, recycling, and drought year rationing instead.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Margaretha Derasary  
7281 Sayre Dr  
Oakland, CA 94611-1432

## Margaretha Derasary (MDe)

- MDe-1. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to expanded reservoirs and new dams. Please see response Form Letter 3-1.
- MDe-2. Please see response Form Letter 3-2.
- MDe-3. Please see response Form Letter 3-3.



From: marinadobbie@gmail.com [mailto:marinadobbie@gmail.com]  
Sent: Tuesday, June 16, 2009 10:16 AM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Please drop plans to expand Pardee Reservoir

Dear East Bay MUD,

I demand you drop your plans to build a new Pardee Dam and expand Pardee Reservoir as part of your 2040 water plan.

1) A new dam will be very expensive for EBMUD ratepayers, be an uncertain water supply, and will harm miles of the Mokelumne River as well as the Delta and its fisheries.

\* Enlarging Pardee will drown a part of the Mokelumne popular for kayaking and fishing, submerge or require removal of the historic Middle Bar Bridge and river access facilities, inundate important cultural resources, require construction of a new Highway 49 bridge, and seasonally inundate nearly a mile of river proposed for National Wild and Scenic River designation by the Bureau of Land Management. Not to mention the very real possibility of destroying important habitat for the Valley elderberry longhorn beetle, the California red-legged frog and the California tiger salamander, all of which are known to reside on property owned and maintained by EBMUD.

\* Enlarging Pardee will destroy decades of work and investment by public agencies and local residents to improve recreational use of the Mokelumne River, not just thwarting local efforts to use the river for economic development, but instead completely undoing them.

\* Creating dead-end roads approaching the river will cut off a critical fire evacuation route for residents of Middle Bar and Gwin Mine roads.

\* There is no good reason to destroy more miles of our popular river used by locals and visitors alike and its fish habitat when you have habitat in your own backyard to flood (Buckhorn Canyon), thus ensuring the pressures and costs are borne solely by EBMUD customers. You can avoid the environmental, social and economic cost by using your water supplies, including the new American River water supply, more efficiently.

Please leave these miles of the Mokelumne a river for future generations of local residents.

Sincerely,

Mrs. David Dobbie

Marina Dobbie  
20890 Warner Rd. E.  
Pine Grove, CA 95665

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## Marina & David Dobbie (MDo)

- MDo-1. Please see response Form Letter 4-1.
- MDo-2. Please see response Form Letter 4-2.
- MDo-3. Please see response Form Letter 4-3.
- MDo-4. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040. Impacts to biological resources and habitat, including habitat for the Valley elderberry longhorn beetle, California red-legged frog, and the California tiger salamander, will be fully examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. The potential occurrence of these species is acknowledged in the Draft PEIR in Table 4.2.C-3, Special-Status Wildlife Species Potentially Occurring in the WSMP 2040 Preferred Portfolio Study Area.
- MDo-5. Please see response Form Letter 4-4.
- MDo-6. Please see response Form Letter 4-5.
- MDo-7. Please see response Form Letter 4-6. Please also see response ACBOS2-6 for a discussion of the Buckhorn Canyon Reservoir component.

-----Original Message-----

From: limerickranch@yahoo.com [mailto:limerickranch@yahoo.com]

Sent: Wednesday, August 26, 2009 2:46 PM

To: Francis, Thomas

Subject: Please drop plans to expand Pardee Reservoir

Dear East Bay MUD: As a 5th generation Californian, I urge you to drop your plans to build a new Pardee Dam and expand Pardee Reservoir as part of your 2040 water plan.

It is not yet the time to destroy the Mokelumne River. The water and power consumers served by EBMUD, along with the citizens of the entire state, would be better served by water conservation measures and other more economical means of power generation. It would be much wiser to allow more time for both technological advancement and conservation to be fully exploited.

This resource should remain as it is, not foolishly exploited now for such short term and minimal gains.

Mary McNamara  
5248 Paloma Road  
Valley Springs, CA 95252

**Mary McNamara (MMcN)**

MMcN-1. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040. At this stage, there is no certainty regarding the impacts of the potential Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. Project impacts will be thoroughly examined in the project-level EIR for this component, when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning. EBMUD supports increased water conservation and has included a high level of conservation in the WSMP 2040. The alternative development process included an in-depth evaluation of over 50 components and a range of portfolios before the Board selected the Preferred Portfolio. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives.

From: mrosemanza@jps.net [mailto:mrosemanza@jps.net]  
Sent: Sat 8/1/2009 10:06 AM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Please drop plans to expand Pardee Reservoir

Dear East Bay MUD: I urge you to drop your plans to build a new Pardee Dam and expand Pardee Reservoir as part of your 2040 water plan.

- A new dam will be too expensive for EBMUD ratepayers, be an uncertain water supply, and harm miles of the Mokelumne River as well as the Delta and its fisheries.
- Enlarging Pardee will drown a part of the Mokelumne popular for kayaking and fishing, submerge or require removal of the historic Middle Bar Bridge and river access facilities, inundate important cultural resources, require construction of a new Highway 49 bridge, and seasonally inundate nearly a mile of river proposed for National Wild and Scenic River designation by the Bureau of Land Management.
- Enlarging Pardee will destroy decades of work and investment by public agencies and local residents to improve recreational use of the Mokelumne River, thwarting local efforts to use the river for economic development.
- Creating dead-end roads approaching the river will cut off a critical fire evacuation route for residents of Middle Bar and Gwin Mine roads.
- There is no reason to destroy more miles of a popular river used by locals and visitors alike and its fish habitat. You can avoid the environmental, social and economic cost by using your water supplies, including the new American River water supply, more efficiently.
- The expansion is opposed by the County of Amador; cities of Jackson, Sutter Creek, Ione, and Plymouth; Amador Historical Society; Amador County Recreation Agency; and a large coalition of local, regional and national fish, river conservation and recreation organizations.

We have enjoyed the Moke River for years in its natural state and we resent entities from large, wasteful urban areas coming in and taking more of the watershed resources, particularly our water. Why not urge conservation in your area of service, including the elimination of lawns with drought-friendly landscaping plants instead? That one act alone would not only create jobs for landscapers, but would create a desire for individuals to rethink their wasteful water use through having large expansive lawns, which serve little purpose. Individuals could plant decorative and even fruit and vegetable-producing plants, using drip irrigation, with far less water use than what goes toward sustaining lawns. This move would also eliminate weekly mowing and fertilizer and pesticide use, with more healthy choices possible for our environment.

Please leave these miles of the Mokelumne a river for future generations.

Sincerely,

Monika Rose

Monika Rose  
PO Box 632  
San Andreas, CA 95249

**Monika Rose (MRose)**

MRose-1. Please see responses Form Letter 4-1 through Form Letter 4-7.

MRose-2. EBMUD recognizes the importance of the Mokelumne River to the local community. The alternative development process included an in-depth evaluation of over 50 components and a range of portfolios before the Board selected the Preferred Portfolio. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives. The District acknowledges the commenter's support for water conservation and other soft path projects, as well as the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component. As stated in the Master Response on the WSMP 2040, the District is committed to implementing high levels of water conservation and recycling.

From: OMandrussow@yahoo.com [mailto:OMandrussow@yahoo.com]  
Sent: Mon 6/29/2009 6:14 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Please drop plans to expand Pardee Reservoir

Dear East Bay MUD:

I urge you to drop your plans to build a new Pardee Dam and expand Pardee Reservoir as part of your 2040 water plan.

Enlarging Pardee will drown a part of the Mokelumne popular for kayaking and fishing, submerge or require removal of the historic Middle Bar Bridge and river access facilities, inundate important cultural resources, require construction of a new Highway 49 bridge, and seasonally inundate nearly a mile of river proposed for National Wild and Scenic River designation by the Bureau of Land Management.

There is no reason to destroy more miles of a popular river used by locals and visitors alike and its fish habitat. You can avoid the environmental, social and economic cost by using your water supplies, including the new American River water supply, more efficiently.

Please leave these miles of the Mokelumne a river for future generations.

Olga Mandrussow  
2627 U St Apt 9  
Sacramento, CA 95818-1837

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**Olga Mandrussow (OM)**

OM-1. Please see response Form Letter 2-1.

OM-2. Please see response Form Letter 2-3.

OM-3. Please see response Form Letter 2-6.

From: c14rogercarol@goldrush.com [mailto:c14rogercarol@goldrush.com]  
Sent: Sat 6/20/2009 8:20 AM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Please drop plans to expand Pardee Reservoir

Dear East Bay MUD: I urge you to drop your plans to build a new Pardee Dam and expand Pardee Reservoir as part of your 2040 water plan.

- I regularly use the electra section of the river for recreation, and would feel greatly disadvantaged if it were destroyed. If you are inclined towards engineering, there's better ways of saving the Electra Road section of the river than the proposed flooding the section between the powerplant and the reservoir i.e., tunnels and dams further upstream that mostly impact cows! There isn't much gold in the Mok River, but in hot weather I enjoy wading in the cold water in July and August, and manbe finding a flake or two!
- Enlarging Pardee will drown a part of the Mokelumne popular for kayaking and fishing, submerge or require removal of the historic Middle Bar Bridge and river access facilities, inundate important cultural resources, require construction of a new Highway 49 bridge, and seasonally inundate nearly a mile of river proposed for National Wild and Scenic River designation by the Bureau of Land Management.
- Enlarging Pardee will destroy decades of work and investment by public agencies and local residents to improve recreational use of the Mokelumne River, thwarting local efforts to use the river for economic development.
- Creating dead-end roads approaching the river will cut off a critical fire evacuation route for residents of Middle Bar and Gwin Mine roads.
- There is no reason to destroy more miles of a popular river used by locals and visitors alike and its fish habitat. You can avoid the environmental, social and economic cost by using your water supplies, including the new American River water supply, more efficiently.
- The expansion is opposed by the County of Amador; cities of Jackson, Sutter Creek, Ione, and Plymouth; Amador Historical Society; Amador County Recreation Agency; and a large coalition of local, regional and national fish, river conservation and recreation organizations.

Please leave these miles of the Mokelumne a river for future generations.

Dr. Roger Clark  
2342 Partridge Court  
Valley Springs, CA. 95252

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## Roger Clark (RCI)

RCI-1. Please see response Form Letter 4-1.

RCI-2. EBMUD recognizes the many recreational opportunities provided by the Mokelumne River, as well as its importance to the local community. EBMUD also acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040. Impacts to recreation will be fully examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component.

The alternative development process included an in-depth evaluation of over 50 components and a range of portfolios before the Board selected the Preferred Portfolio. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives.

RCI-3. Please see response Form Letter 4-3.

RCI-4. Please see response Form Letter 4-4.

RCI-5. Please see response Form Letter 4-5.

RCI-6. Please see response Form Letter 4-6.

RCI-7. Please see response Form Letter 4-7.

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf Of Robert & Faith Cushman  
Sent: Wednesday, June 10, 2009 9:54 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Jun 10, 2009

Mr. Thomas Francis  
375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

Dear Mr. Francis,

Please do not enlarge the Pardee and Lower Bear reservoirs drowning a segment of the Mokelumne River. I believe that EBMUD can easily meet its future water needs without enlarging the Pardee or Lower Bear Reservoirs. EBMUD's proposed Water Supply Management Plan is significantly overestimating future demand. In addition, the Plan substantially underestimates the amount of water that could be produced by reasonable and achievable increases in water conservation, recycling, groundwater storage, and increased rationing during drought years.

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The Pardee reservoir enlargement will drown a segment of the Mokelumne River recommended by the BLM for wild and scenic river protection. This section is also popular for kayaking and fishing. The Pardee enlargement would destroy the recently renovated Middle Bar Bridge and other existing and proposed public access facilities, as well as require the costly relocation of the Hwy 49 bridge.

2

The Lower Bear reservoir enlargement could alter Mokelumne River flows that have been improved to benefit fish, wildlife, and recreation. These improved flows took years to negotiate as part of PG&E's federal hydroelectric license. EBMUD's proposed reservoir enlargements will thwart the decades of work that have gone into making the Mokelumne a more viable recreation resource that will economically benefit foothill communities. Enough is enough. Do the right thing for all of us and future generations who want to be able to enjoy the wonders of rivers.

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Please revise the Plan to eliminate the Pardee and Lower Bear Reservoir enlargements. The Plan should focus on increased conservation, recycling, and drought year rationing instead.

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Sincerely,

Mr. Robert & Faith Cushman  
1039 Rudgear Rd  
Walnut Creek, CA 94596-6425

## **Roger & Faith Cushman (RCu)**

- RCu-1. Please see response Form Letter 3-1.
- RCu-2. Please see response Form Letter 3-2.
- RCu-3. Please see response Form Letter 3-3.
- RCu-4. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to expanded reservoirs and new dams and specifically the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040.
- RCu-5. EBMUD recognizes the value of water conservation, recycling and rationing, and has included them as components in the Preferred Portfolio. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040.

From: 5oaks4us@comcast.net [mailto:5oaks4us@comcast.net]  
Sent: Friday, June 12, 2009 11:06 PM  
To: tfrancis@ebmud.com  
Subject: Please drop plans to expand Pardee Reservoir

Dear East Bay MUD: I urge you to drop your plans to build a new Pardee Dam and expand Pardee Reservoir as part of your 2040 water plan.

- A new dam will be too expensive for EBMUD ratepayers, be an uncertain water supply, and harm miles of the Mokelumne River as well as the Delta and its fisheries.
- Enlarging Pardee will drown a part of the Mokelumne popular for kayaking and fishing, submerge or require removal of the historic Middle Bar Bridge and river access facilities, inundate important cultural resources, require construction of a new Highway 49 bridge, and seasonally inundate nearly a mile of river proposed for National Wild and Scenic River designation by the Bureau of Land Management.
- Enlarging Pardee will destroy decades of work and investment by public agencies and local residents to improve recreational use of the Mokelumne River, thwarting local efforts to use the river for economic development.
- Creating dead-end roads approaching the river will cut off a critical fire evacuation route for residents of Middle Bar and Gwin Mine roads.
- There is no reason to destroy more miles of a popular river used by locals and visitors alike and its fish habitat. You can avoid the environmental, social and economic cost by using your water supplies, including the new American River water supply, more efficiently.

Please leave these miles of the Mokelumne a river for future generations.

Ronald Edgar  
221 Sutter View Court  
Sutter Creek, CA. 95685

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## Ronald Edgar (RE)

RE-1. Please see response Form Letter 2-1.

RE-2. Please see response Form Letter 4-2.

RE-3. Please see response Form Letter 2-3.

RE-4. Please see response Form Letter 2-4.

RE-5. Please see response Form Letter 2-5.

RE-6. Please see response Form Letter 2-6.

-----Original Message-----

From: robin@daylightmoon.com [mailto:robin@daylightmoon.com]

Sent: Wednesday, July 22, 2009 1:26 PM

To: Francis, Thomas

Subject: Please drop plans to expand Pardee Reservoir

Dear East Bay MUD:

I am a resident of El Cerrito, and I love the water that EBMUD provides. In general, I am very supportive of your efforts to responsibly provide high quality drinking water and I applaud your efforts to encourage water conservation among your customers. I work very hard at using as little water as possible.

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However, I urge you to drop your plans to build a new Pardee Dam and expand Pardee Reservoir as part of your 2040 water plan.

I think you as the district utility, and we as the consumers of the water you provide, need to figure out another way to meet the water needs of the future. One of the main ways to do this is water conservation. I know that you have encouraged water conservation on many levels, but I daily see evidence of an immense amount of wasted water all around me in my community. The fact that we flush our toilets with high quality drinking water should be considered a criminal act (!!!). Destroying a river and it's surrounding wilderness so that we can flush our toilets with that water is immoral.

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You and the communities you serve need to figure out other ways to get the water that we need (and figure out how to need less water), without destroying the Mokelumne with an expansion of Pardee.

Please leave these miles of the Mokelumne a river for future generations.

Robin Mitchell  
3353 Yosemite Ave  
El Cerrito, CA 94530



## Robin Mitchell (RMit)

- RMit-1. EBMUD appreciates the commenter's support for EBMUD's efforts to provide high quality drinking water and appreciates the commenter's own conservation efforts.
- RMit-2. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040. EBMUD supports increased water conservation and has included a high level of conservation in the WSMP 2040. The alternative development process included an in-depth evaluation of over 50 components and a range of portfolios before the Board selected the Preferred Portfolio. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives.

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf Of Roger Miller  
Sent: Tuesday, May 05, 2009 12:13 AM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

May 5, 2009

Mr. Thomas Francis  
375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

Dear Mr. Francis,

Please do not enlarge the Pardee and Lower Bear reservoirs drowning a segment of the Mokelumne River.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the WSMP. As an EBMUD rate payer, I do not support the raising of Pardee or Lower Bear Reservoirs.

The WSMP substantially underestimates the amount of water that could be produced by reasonable and achievable increases in water conservation, water recycling, groundwater storage, and increased rationing during drought years. I was often dismayed to see my neighbors, local businesses, and even the City of Oakland hosing down pavement during the drought this year. I believe that much more could have been

conserved with fines and other forms of rationing. My wife and I called in numerous "water wasters" on your hotline. More can be done

to reach out to the public and reduce our reliance on bigger dams. Dams are 20th century technology. I hope that the EBMUD Board can see that

there are wiser, less costly, and more environmentally-friendly ways to ensure water availability nowadays.

I am a river kayaker and have enjoyed the Mokelumne River segment that would be drowned by a Pardee reservoir enlargement. The Pardee enlargement would destroy the recently renovated Middle Bar Bridge and other existing and proposed public access facilities, as well as require the costly relocation of the Hwy 49 bridge. I do not wish to have my ratepayer dollars go toward unnecessary expenses.

EBMUD's proposed reservoir enlargements will thwart the decades of work that have gone into making the Mokelumne a more viable recreation resource.

Please revise the Plan to eliminate the Pardee and Lower Bear Reservoir enlargements. The Plan should focus on increased conservation, recycling, and drought year rationing instead.



Sincerely,

Mr. Roger Miller  
419 Vernon St  
Oakland, CA 94610-2927

## Roger Miller (RogMil)

RogMil-1. Please see response Form Letter 3-1.

RogMil-2. EBMUD supports increased water conservation and has included a high level of conservation in the WSMP 2040. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives.

Conservation Level D was selected for inclusion in the Preferred Portfolio because it establishes an aggressive conservation goal that is greater than the District's current level of investment and it ensures that the District will continue to be a leader in the demand management aspects of future water supply planning. Conservation Level D includes water surveys and use of Automatic Metering System (AMS) to help identify (to the customer and to EBMUD) leakage and excessive use. Conservation Level D also includes conservation measures to require developers to provide the latest state of the art SMART irrigation controllers and rain sensors. Please see the WSMP 2040 Conservation Program Evaluation (March 19, 2009) for additional detail on the conservation levels evaluated as part of WSMP 2040. This evaluation can be found on the EBMUD website at:

[http://www.ebmud.com/water\\_&\\_environment/water\\_supply/water\\_supply\\_management\\_program/Conservation\\_Memo.pdf](http://www.ebmud.com/water_&_environment/water_supply/water_supply_management_program/Conservation_Memo.pdf)

RogMil-3. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to expanded reservoirs and new dams.

The alternative development process included an in-depth evaluation of over 50 components and a range of portfolios before the Board selected the Preferred Portfolio. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives.

RogMil-4. EBMUD recognizes the many recreational opportunities provided by the Mokelumne River. Impacts to recreation will be thoroughly examined in the project-level EIR for this component, when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level planning. The project-level EIR will also identify specific mitigation measures to reduce significant impacts.

Please also see response Form Letter 3-2.

RogMil-5. Please see response Form Letter 3-3.

From: EBMUD Web Request [mailto:administrator@ebmud.com]  
Sent: Thursday, June 18, 2009 9:38 PM  
To: Customer Service  
Subject: Water Supply Projects: EBMUD Web Request

A new Customer Service Web Request has been submitted. The details of the request follow.

Topic: Water Supply Projects  
Name: RL Simpson  
E-mail: [grove4oaks@yahoo.com](mailto:grove4oaks@yahoo.com)  
Phone: 925 4436722  
Name on Account: RL Simpson  
Account Number:  
Address: ALAMEDA 94550

Issue: I would like to protest the raising of the dam on the Mokelumne River. We not have a water supply problem we have a water wasting problem. Damaging one of California's wilderness areas so that we can run our sprinklers over sheets of lawn while it rains seems a little irresponsible. Let's treat our assets responsibly. Just stop.

## RL Simpson (RSi)

- RSi-1. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040. EBMUD supports increased water conservation and has included a high level of conservation in the WSMP 2040. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives. Impacts will be fully examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component.

-----Original Message-----

From: susan.garbarino@gmail.com [mailto:susan.garbarino@gmail.com]

Sent: Tuesday, August 11, 2009 8:43 AM

To: Francis, Thomas

Subject: Please drop plans to expand Pardee Reservoir

Dear East Bay MUD:

I urge you to drop your plans to build a new Pardee Dam and expand Pardee Reservoir as part of your 2040 water plan.

Please find another way to serve the water needs of the East Bay. Conservation should be the number one priority. I was recently in San Ramon and watched a man hose down his driveway for about 20 minutes. This during one of the worst droughts we have ever had. His house had a large green lawn in front of it...is this is what we are destroying our wild places for?!

I have lived in the East Bay most of my life and as a customer of EBMUD I would be happy to do with less water to protect the rivers and wilderness areas such as the Mokelumne. Stop waste, don't encourage it. Thank you.

Other reasons to rethink expanding the Pardee Dam:

• A new dam will be too expensive for EBMUD ratepayers, be an uncertain water supply, and harm miles of the Mokelumne River as well as the Delta and its fisheries.

• Enlarging Pardee will drown a part of the Mokelumne popular for kayaking and fishing, submerge or require removal of the historic Middle Bar Bridge and river access facilities, inundate important cultural resources, require construction of a new Highway 49 bridge, and seasonally inundate nearly a mile of river proposed for National Wild and Scenic River designation by the Bureau of Land Management.

• Enlarging Pardee will destroy decades of work and investment by public agencies and local residents to improve recreational use of the Mokelumne River, thwarting local efforts to use the river for economic development.

• Creating dead-end roads approaching the river will cut off a critical fire evacuation route for residents of Middle Bar and Gwin Mine roads.

1/2 There is no reason to destroy more miles of a popular river used by locals and visitors alike and its fish habitat. You can avoid the environmental, social and economic cost by using your water supplies, including the new American River water supply, more efficiently.

1/2 The expansion is opposed by the County of Amador; cities of Jackson, Sutter Creek, Ione, and Plymouth; Amador Historical Society; Amador County Recreation Agency; and a large coalition of local, regional and national fish, river conservation and recreation organizations.

Please leave these miles of the Mokelumne a river for future generations.

Susan Garbarino  
4828 Harbord Dr  
Oakland, CA 94618



**Susan Garbarino (SGa)**

- SGa-1. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component of the WSMP 2040 and further acknowledges the commenter's support for water conservation. As stated in the Master Response on the WSMP 2040, the District is committed to implementing high levels of water conservation. The alternative development process included an in-depth evaluation of over 50 components and a range of portfolios before the Board selected the Preferred Portfolio. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040 for a discussion of the Preferred Portfolio and alternatives.
- SGa-2. Please see Response Form Letter 4-1 through Form Letter 4-7.

**From:** shanmoore9@gmail.com [mailto:shanmoore9@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, July 17, 2009 3:58 PM  
**To:** Lewis, Lynelle  
**Subject:** Drop the Pardee Expansion from the 2040 Plan

July 17, 2009  
Lynelle Lewis

Dear Lynelle Lewis,

I believe that EBMUD can easily meet its future water needs without enlarging the Pardee or Lower Bear Reservoirs. EBMUD's proposed Water Supply Management Plan is significantly overestimating future demand. In addition, the Plan substantially underestimates the amount of water that could be produced by reasonable and achievable increases in water conservation, recycling, groundwater storage, and increased rationing during drought years.

The Pardee reservoir enlargement will drown a segment of the Mokelumne River recommended by the BLM for wild and scenic river protection. This section is also popular for kayaking and fishing. The Pardee enlargement would destroy the recently renovated Middle Bar Bridge and other existing and proposed public access facilities, as well as require the costly relocation of the Hwy 49 bridge.

The Lower Bear reservoir enlargement could alter Mokelumne River flows that have been improved to benefit fish, wildlife, and recreation. These improved flows took years to negotiate as part of PG&E's federal hydroelectric license. EBMUD's proposed reservoir enlargements will thwart the decades of work that have gone into making the Mokelumne a more viable recreation resource that will economically benefit foothill communities.

So many of our fisheries are on the brink of disaster due in large part to the fact that we have dammed and diverted every river and stream we could in our endless quest for more water. It seems extremely short-sighted to propose yet another dam to try to quench this thirst when other options have not been fully explored. Please do not support this proposal.

Sincerely

Shannon Moore  
601 William St Apt 516  
Oakland, CA 94612-1089

**Shannon Moore (SMoo)**

SMoo-1. Please see responses Form Letter 3-1 through Form Letter 3-3.

From: Friends of the River [mailto:info@friendsoftheriver.org] On Behalf Of Susan Schwartz  
Sent: Wednesday, June 10, 2009 3:54 PM  
To: Francis, Thomas  
Subject: Don't raise Pardee Dam

Jun 10, 2009

Mr. Thomas Francis  
375 11th Street MS 407  
Oakland, CA 94607

Dear Mr. Francis,

Please do not enlarge the Pardee and Lower Bear reservoirs drowning a segment of the Mokelumne River. It seems clear that EBMUD can easily meet its future water needs without enlarging the Pardee or Lower Bear Reservoirs. EBMUD's proposed Water Supply Management Plan is significantly overestimating future demand. In addition, the Plan substantially underestimates the amount of water that could be produced by reasonable and achievable increases in water conservation, recycling, groundwater storage, and increased rationing during drought years.

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The Pardee reservoir enlargement will drown a segment of the Mokelumne River recommended by the BLM for wild and scenic river protection. This section is also popular for kayaking and fishing. The Pardee enlargement would destroy the recently renovated Middle Bar Bridge and other existing and proposed public access facilities, as well as require the costly relocation of the Hwy 49 bridge.

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The Lower Bear reservoir enlargement could alter Mokelumne River flows that have been improved to benefit fish, wildlife, and recreation. These improved flows took years to negotiate as part of PG&E's federal hydroelectric license. EBMUD's proposed reservoir enlargements will thwart the decades of work that have gone into making the Mokelumne a more viable recreation resource that will economically benefit foothill communities. We have reached a tipping point -- we cannot continue to build and enlarge dams and reservoirs that reduce flows to the Delta and San Francisco Bay.

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Please revise the Plan to eliminate the Pardee and Lower Bear Reservoir enlargements. The Plan should focus on increased conservation, recycling, and drought year rationing instead.

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Sincerely,

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## Susan Schwartz (SSc)

- SSc-1. Please see response Form Letter 3-1.
- SSc-2. Please see response Form Letter 3-2.
- SSc-3. Please see response Form Letter 3-3.
- SSc-4. EBMUD acknowledges the commenter's opposition to expanded reservoirs and new dams as well as the commenter's opposition to further reducing flows to the Delta and San Francisco Bay. Impacts to hydrology, water quality, and fisheries will be fully examined in a project-level EIR when and if the District decides to move forward with project-level for the Enlarge Pardee Reservoir component.
- SSc-5. EBMUD recognizes the value of water conservation, recycling and rationing, and has included them as components in the Preferred Portfolio. Please see the Master Response on the WSMP 2040.

-----Original Message-----

From: anacrime@gmail.com [mailto:anacrime@gmail.com]

Sent: Sunday, May 10, 2009 5:23 PM

To: Francis, Thomas

Subject: Please drop plans to expand Pardee Reservoir

Dear East Bay MUD: I urge you to drop your plans to build a new Pardee Dam and expand Pardee Reservoir as part of your 2040 water plan.

1/2 A new dam will be too expensive for EBMUD ratepayers, be an uncertain water supply, and harm miles of the Mokelumne River as well as the Delta and its fisheries.

1/2 Enlarging Pardee will drown a part of the Mokelumne popular for kayaking and fishing, submerge or require removal of the historic Middle Bar Bridge and river access facilities, inundate important cultural resources, require construction of a new Highway 49 bridge, and seasonally inundate nearly a mile of river proposed for National Wild and Scenic River designation by the Bureau of Land Management.

1/2 Enlarging Pardee will destroy decades of work and investment by public agencies and local residents to improve recreational use of the Mokelumne River, thwarting local efforts to use the river for economic development.

1/2 Creating dead-end roads approaching the river will cut off a critical fire evacuation route for residents of Middle Bar and Gwin Mine roads.

1/2 There is no reason to destroy more miles of a popular river used by locals and visitors alike and its fish habitat. You can avoid the environmental, social and economic cost by using your water supplies, including the new American River water supply, more efficiently.

Please leave these miles of the Mokelumne a river for future generations.

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## Shane Stewart (SSté)

SSté-1. Please see response Form Letter 2-1.

SSté-2. Please see response Form Letter 4-2.

SSté-3. Please see response Form Letter 2-3.

SSté-4. Please see response Form Letter 2-4.

SSté-5. Please see response Form Letter 2-5.

SSté-6. Please see response Form Letter 2-6.

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