

**TO: WATER CUSTOMERS AND RESIDENTS OF THE MESA**

**MESA COMMUNITY ALLIANCE MCA) URGES YOU TO OPPOSE THE NCSD SUPPLEMENTAL WATERLINE INTERTIE PROJECT (WIP) BY ANY OR ALL OF THE FOLLOWING ACTIONS:**

OUR ESTIMATED COST FOR WIP OVER 30 YEARS IS \$400 MILLION OR MORE, MOSTLY FOR THE WATER PURCHASED FROM SANTA MARIA AND OPERATING EXPENSE FEES TO THEM.

WOODLANDS SHARE OF THE \$400 MILLION BE \$67 MILLION OVER 30 YEARS.

--EXPECTED BENEFIT: LITTLE ADDITIONAL SUPPLEMENTAL WATER.

-SIGN AND RETURN ATTACHED WIP PETITION AND ALSO DISTRIBUTE PETITIONS TO FRIENDS & NEIGHBORS BY E-MAIL OR BY HAND.

THE PURPOSE IS TO OPPOSE THE WIP PROJECT AND ASK THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO PROMOTE BETTER COUNTY/REGIONAL ALTERNATIVES.

Drop off locations:

Cypress Ridge, outside of Gate: South County Realty (Pat Okura),  
950 Cypress Ridge Parkway, Or

Inside Cypress Ridge: Liam Bennett 939 Wigeon Way or Reggie Dion 869 Wigeon Way

Trilogy: Monarch Club in Community Center: Petitions Box, Attention Pat Eby

Black Lake: 1354 Black Sage Circle (Crown Point), Attention Bill Petrick

-IN ADDITION SEND E-MAILS, MAIL AND MAKE TELEPHONE CALLS TO EXPRESS OPINIONS TO BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. Submit directly to:

(1) Supervisor Paul Teixeira Email: [pteixeira@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:pteixeira@co.slo.ca.us) (Deb Geaslen,  
Legislative Assistant Tel 781-4337)

(2) Ms Susan Baker, Secretary to the Board of Supervisors for distribution to all Supervisors. Email: [sbaker@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:sbaker@co.slo.ca.us) or c/o Board of Supervisors, Room D-430, County Government Center, San Luis Obispo, California 93408.

-VOTE NO TO DISAPPROVE THE TAX ASSESSMENT DISTRICT AND BOND BALLOT FOR THE SUPPLEMENTAL WATER INTERTIELINE PROJECT (WIP)

If Questions or comments, contact Mesa Community Alliance at  
[mesacommunityalliance@gmail.com](mailto:mesacommunityalliance@gmail.com)

More information: [nipomowaterfacts.com](http://nipomowaterfacts.com) Website see WIP

**PETITION TO SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
OPPOSING THE WATERLINE INTERTIE PROJECT  
30 YEAR PROJECT COST: \$400 MILLION OR MORE  
EXPECTED BENEFIT: LITTLE ADDITIONAL WATER**

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED RESIDENTS OF THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY WITHIN NIPOMO AND THE NIPOMO MESA, OPPOSE THE PROPOSED WATERLINE INTERTIE PROJECT (WIP), BECAUSE:

The Waterline Intertie Project will NOT guarantee a good reliable source of supplemental water in times of drought.

- Extended drought will also affect Santa Maria and State Water Project water supply.
- Moving water that will flow north anyway may deplete the Mesa's normal flow, especially in times of drought.
- Spending on WIP preempts better, more cost-effective, water projects.

We have time to explore better options: Rainfall doubled the average this past winter and will keep our aquifer strong for quite a while.

**WE URGE THE COUNTY TO INITIATE AND FACILITATE A BETTER, MORE COST-EFFECTIVE BROADER, SOLUTION TO ANY GROUND WATER INSUFFICIENCY THAT MAY DEVELOP. INCLUDING:**

- Use our Nipomo Mesa Management Area technical group expertise to evaluate the technical merits of proposed water projects on the Mesa.
- Develop more retention basins to save more rainfall.
- Develop more recycled water projects.
- Expand water conservation efforts.
- Research ways for agriculture users to reduce water use.
- Develop plans to obtain grant money for long term projects (such as desalination).

**TO ALLOW THE DEVELOPMENT OF A BETTER SOLUTION, WE URGE THE COUNTY TO PETITION THE COURT FOR RELIEF FROM THE PORTIONS OF THE STIPULATION AND JUDGMENT IN THE SANTA MARIA GROUND WATER LITIGATION REQUIRING NCSD AND OTHER WATER PURVEYORS TO SUPPORT CONSTRUCTION OF THE WIP AS THE PREFERRED GROUNDWATER SOLUTION FOR NIPOMO AND THE NIPOMO MESA (Section VI.A).**

**ADDITIONALLY, WE REQUEST NOTICE OF, AND THE OPPORTUNITY TO BE HEARD AT, THE MEETING(S) OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND OF ITS COMMITTEES CONSIDERING THIS ISSUE.**

