

Straight talk ??? Maybe Not!! Questions for tonight's presentation.

1. Do we have seawater intrusion? NO!

- The mandatory reports to the courts do not conclude there is seawater intrusion.
- The well NCS D refers to in Oceano does not have seawater intrusion.

2. Is our water supply in jeopardy? NO!

- Over the past 35 years, our aquifer has mirrored rainfall. We had 30 inches of rain in the past 10 months. We have plenty of water.
- Mandatory reports to the courts confirm our water supply is not in jeopardy.

3. Is the aquifer our only source of water? Do we need to plan for future needs? YES!

- Because our aquifer is a regional water supply, we need regional planning to protect it.
- The County Board of Supervisors has regional jurisdiction and must be involved in future planning.

4. Is the NCS D proposal of a pipeline to Santa Maria a good solution to protect our aquifer? NO!

- It does NOT provide supplemental water, but moves water from one part of the water basin to another.
- It is extremely expensive and will divert money from viable projects that can produce supplemental water.
- The people who must pay for this pipeline use only 45% of the water. Conoco Phillips, agricultural users and people with private wells pay nothing.

5. Who will pay the costs and how will they be charged? MESA WATER CUSTOMERS!

- Customers of the Mesa water companies will pay more than \$350 million over 30 years.
- NCSO plans to create an assessment district that will raise your property taxes.
- Water customers will pay for water whether or not it is needed or used.
- Water customers can expect huge increases in water bills that will continue to grow.

6. What can we do to stop this? Vote NO on the proposed assessment district!

- We must stop spending money on a project that has no benefit.
- We must stop a project that will preclude us from developing viable alternatives.

To learn more, please join us

Mesa Community Alliance Meeting

Thursday, September 8th 2011

6:30 PM

Saint Joseph's Parish Hall

298 S. Thompson, Nipomo

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