

## **Taking issue with pipeline**

To the Editor:

The Nipomo Community Services District (NCSD) has proposed a bond to build a water pipeline based upon the following false assertions — that in Oceano there has been seawater intrusion to the aquifer, that there is a water shortage, and that the court ordered a pipeline be built.

According to the Oceano Community Services District, there was no seawater intrusion. Furthermore, the court order merely requires the parties agree to solve the alleged water-shortage problem. And, a 2011 water survey determined there is a more than ample supply in the aquifer.

The proposed pipeline would assess Mesa residents \$192 a year for 30 years, for which we will receive no benefit, because Rural Water Co., our provider, will have no connecting pipeline to the proposed NCSD pipeline. This is taxation for services we won't receive.

We want to know who is funding this push for an expensive and unnecessary pipeline that will sock every homeowner in the Mesa and Nipomo with a yearly property tax assessment.

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