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# Written Public Comment

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Written Public Comment:	During the last regular CCSD meeting held Feb. 9, 2023, I listened to several comments by members of the public on the topic of a potential test run of a technology that might reduce the need for trucking the liquid effluent emanating from operations of our WRF. It is well known that hauling brine is one of the most expensive aspects of our marvelous water security system. There are also some undesirable environmental issues as a consequence of transport of the unusable, concentrated brine. These issues have contributed to a long delay in County and State permitting of the Water Reclamation System. It seems only reasonable to me that it is wise to examine this and any other potential solution in a level-headed, logical manner. Under the guise of "reminding" the CCSD to be sure to coordinate with all regulators before entering into any move towards such a test, those public comments struck me as a concerted effort against even a no cost, low impact trial run. Our CCSD board and District engineers have, for years and years, been coordinating with county, regional, and state agencies in every single phase of the WRF's existence, from concept to building to testing to maintenance. Just WHY would our District deviate from their well-known obligations to consult on this proposal? The admonishments I heard struck me as a red herring. I sense yet another no growth

	agenda at work here.
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From: Cheryl McDowell
To: Haley Dodson

Subject:public comment 2/16/2023 (Please read)Date:Tuesday, February 14, 2023 8:51:47 PM

hello Board

I have a few concerns after hearing this weeks R&I committee meeting regarding ZLD (zero liquid discharge)

why is district engineer so gun ho on pursuing this technology and partnering up with Global Water Innovations for a ten day pilot?

according to Google there's many companies who do this technology why this start up company?.

Mr. Clark Easter referred numerous times this pilot project

will be free. There are no free lunches this ten day propose running of EWS will be an expense to the district and ultimately

cost ratepayers just by drawing down the well level, utilities, staff and misc hidden costs such as permits.

I ask you board to be wise and open in your decision making what is the real reason for this pilot project based on a system that

hasn't produced water only for two tracer testing. ? This pilot project is not priority put it to bed CCSD is not a site partner with

Global Water Innovations lets move on.

Focus on completion of projects at hand, and hire a GM.

Cheryl McDowell

From: Christine Heinrichs
To: BoardComment

Subject: Written Comment February 16 2023

Date: Thursday, February 16, 2023 4:08:15 PM

Hi, Haley --

For Written Comment on this February 16 meeting:

Item 1E PUBLIC COMMENT: The Brown Act, which requires that the public's business be conducted in public, allows Closed Sessions to be held outside public view for a few, narrow subjects: personnel evaluations, labor negotiations, pending litigation, and real estate negotiations. The general posture should be that all business is public, with these sensitive exceptions. Please report as to how you construe general discussion of recruiting a general manager to fall into any of those categories. The board, so far as the public has been informed, is not doing ant personnel evaluations, is not yet negotiating contracts with any candidates, is not suing or being sued by any, and no real estate is involved. Thank you.

#### Item 5 PUBLIC COMMENT

Thank you to Directors Scott and Thomas for requesting the Instream Flow studies and biological reports, and Mr. Dienzo for agreeing to make them public. Mr. Dienzo's Utilities Report indicates that the Biological Studies and Instream Flow studies are now complete, and being reviewed by the Technical Advisory Committee. Can the public attend TAC meetings? Are minutes or recordings of the meetings available? What about the letters of concurrence from regulatory agencies? In Item 7A, the Strategic Plan, Mr. Dienzo says that he will present the results to the board by the second quarter of 2023. Please make them available to the public.

#### **Item 6D PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Please consider continuing remote access to public meetings. This has some cost attached, but it is well worth it for increased public access, which was the board's top priority in its Strategic Plan.

#### **Item 7A PUBLIC COMMENT**

I am glad to see that a Request for Proposals is now scheduled for Summer of this year for permanent replacement of Cambria's water and effluent lines. The temporary lines, installed after the break in 2021, exposed on the surface. I look forward to action on this urgent project to keep clean water flowing to Cambria.

After the presentation by CEO Clark Easter of Global Water Innovations to the Resources & Infrastructure Committee on Monday, Mr. Dienzo has rescheduled the experimental pilot project to reduce brine waste from the EWS/SWF/WRF to a Future Objective.

Mr. Dienzo revises the goal of completing the Coastal Development Permit for the EWS/SWF/WRF to the second quarter of 2023. The Strategic Plan table notes that the district will "revisit the CDP project description." Since this was a controversial part of the application, could the board elaborate on what changes are contemplated?

The board has a new WWTP Financing Working Group to spend the \$12 million on Wastewater Treatment Plant projects, consisting of Board members and staff, no members of the public: Board President Dean, Vice President Tom Gray, Administrative Manager Pam Duffield, still working remotely, and Finance Manager Fritz. Apparently, the Finance Committee, which includes members of the public, will not be overseeing these expenditures. Why not?

For its Special Meetings on the Strategic Plan in January, rather than hire a neutral professional facilitator to conduct its meetings, the board invited a controversial and divisive former director to conduct the meetings. Please, in future, hire a pro rather than give a local politico a platform for unlimited bloviating.

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Christine Heinrichs

 From:
 Elizabeth Bettenhausen

 To:
 Haley Dodson

 Subject:
 Fwd: THANK YOU!!

**Date:** Friday, February 17, 2023 7:49:55 AM

### CORRECTED VERSION FOR WRITTEN PUBLIC RECORD

----- Forwarded message ----

From: Elizabeth Bettenhausen

Date: Thu, Feb 16, 2023 at 9:47 AM Subject: THANK YOU!!

To: Carlos Mendoza < cmendoza @cambriacsd.org >

Cc: Karen Dean , Tom Gray , Harry Farmer , Michael Thomas , Debra Scott , Ray Dienzo <ra color | Compared to the color | Compa

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## Good morning, Manager Mendoza!

I write to thank you for an excellent report in the Agenda today for the meeting of the Board of Directors.

It is clearly written, helpfully illustrated with photos, and comprehensive.

My gratitude flows to you and all the staff--Alberto Novas and Martin Garcia, Maintenance Technicians, and Haley Dodson, Administrative Analyst - HR & IT--for the work you do in our Community Services District. You all work full time and very often overtime to respond to what the climate and weather produce and to human crises too, such as the need for services for persons living without houses or apartments.

I also think your position should be changed back to supervisor, not manager, because of the definition and distribution of administrative power. This responsibility of the General Manager should be addressed explicitly by the Board of Directors at the forefront of their search for a new General Manager.

Once again, thank you for the public services provided by the Facilities and Resources Department. You help the community in so many ways, and your monthly report documents that very well. I will read this comment at the meeting this afternoon and also

post it on local social media.

Sincerely, Elizabeth Bettenhausen, Ph.D. full time resident of Cambria since 2002