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- 1 Friday, September 28, 2018 9:30 a.m.
- 2 PROCEEDINGS
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- 4 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: All right. Good
- 5 morning, everyone. It is 9:30. We are resuming this
- 6 Water Right Change Petition hearing for the California
- 7 WaterFix Project.
- 8 I'm Tam Doduc. Joining me shortly and sitting
- 9 to my right will be Board Chair and Co-Hearing Officer
- 10 Felicia Marcus. To my far right is Board Member Dee
- 11 Dee D'Adamo. To my left are Andrew Deeringer, Conny
- 12 Mitterhofer and Hwaseong Jin.
- We're being assisted today by Mr. Long and
- 14 Miss Wu.
- I see all familiar faces so I will skip the
- 16 usual announcement except most importantly, as always,
- 17 as Mr. Herrick knows, is to make sure that all your
- 18 noise-making devices are on silent, vibrate, do not
- 19 disturb.
- 20 Everyone is checking.
- 21 All right. With that, I believe we are now
- 22 set up to hear from Clifton Court and their direct,
- 23 after which, then, we'll hear from Mr. Wirth and Save
- 24 Our Sandhill Cranes, after which, then, we will hear
- 25 from Mr. Bednarski and Dr. Chilmakuri.

- 1 Any housekeeping matters?
- 2 Miss Morris.
- 3 MS. MORRIS: Stefanie Morris.
- 4 Mr. Emrick and I spoke about Dr. Paulsen. And
- 5 because the Department and no one else has said that
- 6 they are going to cross-examine Dr. Paulsen, we were --
- 7 we have an agreement to stipulate that she doesn't have
- 8 to appear to present her testimony, that it could come
- 9 into evidence.
- 10 Except for we do have some objections to
- 11 scope, so Mr. Emrick agreed that he would appear on
- 12 Monday to handle those.
- 13 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: All right. Thank
- 14 you.
- 15 MR. EMRICK: That's true.
- 16 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: I appreciate the
- 17 coordination, and I'm sure Dr. Paulsen appreciates it
- 18 also.
- 19 MR. EMRICK: Thank you.
- 20 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Any other
- 21 housekeeping matter?
- 22 All right. Before we get to Mr. Emrick,
- 23 Miss Womack, and Mr. Moore, are there any objections to
- 24 Clifton Court's case?
- 25 Mr. Mizell.

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1 MR. MIZELL: Yes. Good morning. Tripp
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- 2 Mizell, DWR.
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 I do have a -- a lengthy list of objections
- 4 for this morning's testimony from Clifton Court LP.
- 5 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: If you could move
- 6 the microphone a little bit closer, Mr. Mizell.
- 7 MR. MIZELL: Sure. Is this a little better?
- 8 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Yes.
- 9 MR. MIZELL: Thanks.
- 10 So, if we could bring up CCLP-60, please.
- 11 (Exhibit displayed on screen.)
- 12 MR. MIZELL: Okay. And if we could go to
- 13 Page 9, please.
- 14 (Exhibit displayed on screen.)
- 15 MR. MIZELL: Okay. So, starting on Page 9 at
- 16 Line 15, the section that begins "Flood protection" and
- 17 running through Page 10, Line 3, which is the end of
- 18 that flood protection section.
- 19 The Department objects to this section of
- 20 testimony and moves to strike it based upon the fact
- 21 that it is dealing with seepage.
- In your oral ruling on August 28th, you were
- 23 relying upon a July 27th ruling in which we all
- 24 lengthily discussed whether or not seepage of the
- 25 existing facilities was within the scope of this

- 1 hearing, and it was determined at that time it was not.
- 2 Based upon that ruling, we would object to
- 3 this as being outside the scope of this hearing and
- 4 move to strike it.
- 5 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Before you move on,
- 6 let's hear from Mr. Emrick or Miss Womack.
- 7 MS. WOMACK: Yes. I wanted to bring out that,
- 8 on Page 9, let's see, 19, we refer to no seepage but
- 9 it's a report that says the flood safety -- about the
- 10 flood safety standards are met, and there's
- 11 "desiccation cracking and animal burrows and potential
- 12 piping."
- 13 This is a -- That is a . . . a DWR report.
- 14 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Do you have a
- 15 response to offer to the specific objection that it's
- 16 outside the scope of --
- 17 MS. WOMACK: No.
- 18 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: -- surrebuttal?
- 19 MS. WOMACK: I believe that flood protection
- 20 is a very important part of this.
- 21 As they say, the conveyance facilities are
- 22 considered to be critical lifeline facilities for the
- 23 State of California. This is DWR-1304, 4-12.
- 24 At the beginning of that, that is there. And
- 25 so we're saying this is important. Your -- Clifton

- 1 Court Forebay, which is a part of the SWP, which you'll
- 2 be using, is riddled, according to them, dessication,
- 3 cracking, and animal burrows and potential piping. So
- 4 it has nothing two with seepage.
- 5 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: All right.
- 6 MR. MIZELL: It -- It does --
- 7 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Hold on.
- 8 Anything to add, Mr. Emrick?
- 9 MR. EMRICK: No.
- 10 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Hold on,
- 11 Mr. Mizell.
- 12 MR. MIZELL: Yes.
- 13 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Miss Des Jardins is
- 14 standing behind you. I assume she wants to weigh in on
- 15 this before I give you the chance to respond.
- 16 MS. DES JARDINS: I would just add that, to
- 17 the extent this Project is supposed to deal with
- 18 sea-level rise, the level of flood protection the
- 19 facilities, after the Project is completed, is relevant
- 20 to the Board's consideration of whether that . . . what
- 21 the Petitioner says is one of the main goals of the
- 22 Project will be met.
- Thank you.
- MS. WOMACK: I'm sorry. I forgot that there's
- 25 another reference to the . . . the -- It was determined

1 unsafe to have the diver go further closer to the south

- 2 main wall due to it being unstable.
- 3 This was a report from March 4th, 2017, when
- 4 the intake structure facility on the south shore was
- 5 unstable.
- 6 These are two very recent -- These are from
- 7 2017, very recent. March -- Yeah. March and --
- 8 Anyway, two very recent times that they have said the
- 9 Clifton Court Forebay themselves is unstable.
- 10 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Mr. Mizell, your
- 11 response before we move on to your next objection.
- MR. MIZELL: Yes.
- The responses we've just heard relate to
- 14 existing facilities.
- 15 I'd simply like to come back to the
- 16 September 10th, 2018, ruling where we dealt with this
- 17 very issue.
- 18 And, in fact, the Petitioners are no longer
- 19 proposing Project compliance that might have remedied
- 20 preexisting conditions and are not a change from the
- 21 baseline, would mean that it's not, in fact, caused by
- 22 this Project and, therefore, beyond the scope.
- 23 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Your next
- 24 objection, Mr. Mizell.
- MR. MIZELL: Yes. If we could go to Page 10,

- 1 Line 5 through Line 8.
- 2 (Exhibit displayed on screen.)
- 3 MR. MIZELL: Line 5 through Line 8, we would
- 4 object and move to strike as, again, beyond the scope.
- 5 Here, it states that there are no new
- 6 operations in the SEIR and there are no changes.
- 7 That's the first two sentences of -- of the lines I'm
- 8 speaking of.
- 9 They -- This is testimony related to existing
- 10 conditions and not related to any changes proposed by
- 11 the California WaterFix.
- 12 So I'll leave it at that.
- 13 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Response?
- MS. WOMACK: Yes.
- In the SEIR/EIS that we received in June, I
- 16 looked very carefully at operations. And they said
- 17 there are no new operations and, therefore, there's
- 18 nothing -- it's one little paragraph. Therefore,
- 19 there's no operations in the SEIR.
- Therefore, until I got the CER, I could not
- 21 look at anything to do with the operations.
- 22 This is what -- We looked that up.
- 23 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Next objection,
- 24 Mr. Mizell, unless Mr. Emrick has anything to add.
- MR. EMRICK: (Shaking head.)

- 1 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: All right.
- 2 MR. EMRICK: Nothing right now. Thank you.
- 3 MR. MIZELL: If we could go down to Line 8
- 4 through Line 21, same page. This is the remainder of
- 5 that section.
- 6 We would object as being beyond the scope and
- 7 move to strike.
- 8 Again, this is existing conditions dealing
- 9 with a -- a drain pipe and its functioning or
- 10 non-functioning. That is -- That drain pipe is not a
- 11 part of the California WaterFix. Those are existing
- 12 conditions and not a part of the Project.
- MS. WOMACK: This --
- 14 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Response.
- MS. WOMACK: This speaks directly to DWR
- 16 saying that, "We will mitigate. We will maintain."
- 17 This is a 50-year-old structure that's been
- 18 leaking for a year. I have letters that I put in from
- 19 a year ago asking for the repair.
- Now, during my farm season, on September 12th,
- 21 without consulting the landowner --
- 22 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Miss Womack.
- MS. WOMACK: Yes. I'm sorry.
- 24 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Now is not the
- 25 point to actually --

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1 MS. WOMACK: Okay.
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- 2 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: -- present your
- 3 case, which is what you're starting to do.
- 4 MS. WOMACK: Okay -- let me.
- 5 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: I -- I --
- 6 MS. WOMACK: -- drawback.
- 7 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: I just wanted a
- 8 response to his objection, not your testimony at this
- 9 time.
- MS. WOMACK: Well, we believe this shows how
- 11 our water rights will be taken by the operations of
- 12 DFD/DWR.
- 13 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Thank you. That
- 14 was all you need to say.
- MS. WOMACK: All right.
- 16 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Mr. Mizell, next
- 17 objection.
- 18 MR. MIZELL: Certainly.
- 19 If we could back up to Page 2, please.
- 20 (Exhibit displayed on screen.)
- 21 MR. MIZELL: Thank you.
- 22 So Page 2 is within the Statement of
- 23 Qualifications portion of CCLP-60.
- 24 This portion of the exhibit contains numerous
- 25 arguments and, therefore, I'm -- I'm having a difficult

1 time understanding what his testimony was in the

- 2 Statement of Qualifications.
- 3 So what I have attempted to do -- and I'll
- 4 walk you through in my objections -- is only focus on
- 5 the argument portions, leaving as much as I could to
- 6 describe the Statement of Qualifications.
- 7 But typically one would not put substantive
- 8 argument within your Statement of Qualifications. So
- 9 this may appear messy but I'm trying to only seek to
- 10 strike portions that I believe are not Statement of
- 11 Qualifications but go to actually substantive
- 12 arguments.
- 13 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: So, before you
- 14 proceed, was there a particular reason, Mr. Emrick or
- 15 Miss Womack --
- MS. WOMACK: Absolutely.
- 17 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: -- for this?
- MS. WOMACK: My father's a farmer. He is
- 19 not -- He's had to become -- Because of actions, he's
- 20 become a levee expert. He's become a finance expert,
- 21 when you look at all the --
- 22 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: I read your --
- MS. WOMACK: So this is things that he has
- 24 become -- had to become. He just wanted to be a
- 25 farmer. To this day, he --

1 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: All right. All

- 2 right.
- 3 MR. EMRICK: I think it's intended to be sort
- 4 of like a CV where somebody will have particular
- 5 projects that they've worked on to show that they are
- 6 qualified for this.
- 7 MS. WOMACK: Um-hmm, exactly.
- 8 MR. EMRICK: I think that's what they were
- 9 intending to do here.
- 10 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: So with that in
- 11 mind, Mr. Mizell, you may now walk us through what you
- 12 believe are the argumentative statements in this
- 13 section.
- MR. MIZELL: Okay. So, on Page 2, looking at
- 15 Line 3, about halfway across the line, starting on the
- 16 word "caused" and then proceeding through the citation
- 17 found on Line 6, so ending with CCLP-36.
- 18 We move to strike that as argument within the
- 19 Statement of Qualifications but, moreover, beyond the
- 20 scope of this hearing because it deals with the
- 21 construction of Clifton Court Forebay, as it states at
- 22 the end of Line 3 there.
- 23 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Any response with
- 24 specific --
- MS. WOMACK: Yes.

1 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: -- to this section?

- MS. WOMACK: Absolutely.
- This -- This is how we were made whole.
- 4 We keep hearing we will be made whole or we
- 5 will be mitigated. This is our experience so far. I
- 6 think it's very valuable.
- 7 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: And if it's
- 8 valuable, why is it not in the testimony portion rather
- 9 than in the SQO (sic) sentence?
- 10 MS. WOMACK: Well, this is -- this is my
- 11 father's qualifications. This is how he came to be
- 12 this expert.
- 13 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Miss Womack, I
- 14 understand.
- 15 Let's just move on to your next citation,
- 16 Mr. Mizell.
- 17 MR. MIZELL: Very good.
- On Line 7, beginning at the beginning of that
- 19 line, and proceeding to the end of that sentence that
- 20 ends with "CCF." Again, we -- So, just Line 7, not the
- 21 entire sentence but just from "when" to "CCF."
- We believe that is argument, not appropriate
- 23 with the Statement of Qualifications, and we'd move to
- 24 strike that.
- 25 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Let's move through

- 1 your entire list, Mr. Mizell.
- 2 MS. WOMACK: Could I have my father speak to
- 3 that particularly?
- 4 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Let's just let him
- 5 get his list out first.
- 6 MS. WOMACK: Okay. Can we refer back to that
- 7 perhaps?
- 8 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: (Nodding head.)
- 9 MS. WOMACK: Thank you.
- 10 MR. MIZELL: If we look at Line 11, starting
- 11 with the word "because" through the end of that
- 12 sentence. Similarly, this is argument and should be
- 13 struck.
- So, moving on to the next paragraph -- and
- 15 please do stop me if you want --
- 16 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Let's just get them
- 17 all out, then.
- MR. MIZELL: Line 14, starting with the word
- 19 "when" about halfway across. And again this is where
- 20 it may get messy.
- So, Line 15 at the end of the first bracket,
- 22 we move to strike that.
- 23 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: I'm -- Okay.
- MR. MIZELL: As well as everything after
- 25 "1980's" to the end of the sentence.

1 So, in combination, those two sections of that

- 2 sentence, then proceeding all the way down to the end
- 3 of the sentence found on Line 20.
- 4 So, in other words, from Line 14 to the end of
- 5 the sentence on Line 20, we would move to strike, with
- 6 the exception of the words "in the 1980s" because I was
- 7 attempting to complete the characterization of his
- 8 qualifications without -- without striking the date
- 9 range.
- 10 We would argue that this is beyond the scope
- 11 of the hearing. It deals with a separate project, the
- 12 Four Pumps Project that took place many years ago.
- 13 It's not relevant argument to the California
- 14 WaterFix and, at this point, does not provide . . .
- Well, it's argument on the wrong project.
- 16 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: And is that the
- 17 entirety of the section you would object to as being
- 18 argumentative?
- 19 MR. MIZELL: No. If we'd proceed to Page 3.
- 20 (Exhibit displayed on screen.)
- 21 MR. MIZELL: From Line 1 to Line 6, that
- 22 paragraph we also move to strike as argumentative and
- 23 beyond the -- beyond the scope of this Project.
- 24 Again, it deals with the Four Pumps Project
- 25 which, as you can see in -- on Line 2, was a Final EIR

- 1 from 1986.
- 2 And then in the next paragraph, on Line 9,
- 3 beginning with the bracketed citations through the end
- 4 of that paragraph.
- 5 Again, these are issues dealing with existing
- 6 conditions and -- from in and around the Clifton Court
- 7 Forebay. They exist today. They are not a part of the
- 8 California WaterFix.
- 9 So those are -- That's the completion of the
- 10 argumentative portions of the qualifications statement
- 11 of Mr. Moore.
- 12 And I have more objections, but I'll wait here
- 13 because they don't relate to the qualifications
- 14 argument.
- 15 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: All right. Now you
- 16 may respond to that.
- 17 And, again, not to get into the details of
- 18 your testimony, but to address the assertion by
- 19 Mr. Mizell that these are arguments, not Statement of
- 20 Qualifications.
- MS. WOMACK: These . . . These . . .
- 22 Every action has a reaction and, in my
- 23 father's case, it's been -- it's almost like he's had
- 24 to go to school to do each of these things.
- When they didn't put in a cutoff wall, he had

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1 to become an expert in how to deal with it.
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- 2 Then, when they changed the rules --
- 3 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: So --
- 4 MS. WOMACK: -- and they started drafting --
- 5 No, each thing.
- 6 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: I can understand.
- 7 You don't have to go through each one. It doesn't
- 8 sound like you have any new --
- 9 MS. WOMACK: Well --
- 10 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: -- rationale to
- 11 provide, except that these are examples of instances
- 12 where your father, as a farmer, had to become expert --
- MS. WOMACK: Yes.
- 14 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: -- in order to
- 15 respond what you allege to be these actions or
- 16 non-actions by DWR.
- 17 MS. WOMACK: Precisely.
- 18 There's one other thing: The EIR/EIS -- We're
- 19 supposed to be protected by EIR/EIS. The EIR of 1986
- 20 specifically talks about riprapping the levees of Old
- 21 River. We were never riprapped.
- 22 These are -- I just want to bring to the
- 23 Board's attention --
- 24 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Again --
- MS. WOMACK: -- to these --

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1 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Again, you are
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- 2 going into arguments. We're just focusing right now on
- 3 the Statement of Qualifications. I think you've stated
- 4 the reason why these sentences were included.
- 5 MS. WOMACK: Yes.
- 6 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: And well move on
- 7 from there.
- 8 MS. WOMACK: Thank you so much.
- 9 MR. MIZELL: If I may just clarify.
- 10 The objection is not challenging the
- 11 qualifications of Mr. Moore or his expertise. We're
- 12 simply looking to distinguish between proper Statements
- 13 of Qualification and argument.
- I'm not sure if that's helpful but I hope it
- 15 is.
- MS. WOMACK: I just have --
- 17 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: So -- I'm sorry.
- Mr. Mizell, if those statements were in the
- 19 non-SQO (sic) section --
- MR. MIZELL: We would still challenge, then,
- 21 based upon scope. So, as part of my objection, in each
- 22 case, I went through why they were --
- 23 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: I understand.
- MR. MIZELL: -- outside the scope.
- 25 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: All right. Let's

- 1 move on to your next objection.
- 2 MR. MIZELL: So my next objection -- The next
- 3 series of objections are about the Exhibit List and not
- 4 about the -- the substantive testimony at this point.
- 5 So, the Department's going to object . . .
- 6 Well, in -- Here's -- Here's a question of the
- 7 Hearing Officers and how you would like to proceed.
- 8 The remaining objections I have are on
- 9 exhibits. In some cases, we have held those objections
- 10 until the exhibits are moved in -- or, you know,
- 11 requested to be moved into evidence. If you would
- 12 like, I can stop here and address those at a later
- 13 time.
- 14 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Let's do that
- 15 because you've given us plenty to think about right
- 16 now.
- 17 MR. MIZELL: Thank you.
- 18 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: All right. We'll
- 19 go ahead and take a break and consider these
- 20 objections.
- 21 MS. WOMACK: Could I add one more thing, just
- 22 about --
- 23 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: No.
- MS. WOMACK: Okay.
- 25 (Recess taken at 9:50 a.m.)

- 1 (Proceedings resumed at 10:15 a.m.:)
- 2 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: All right. We are
- 3 back and let me issue some rulings.
- 4 Mr. Mizell, your first objection with respect
- 5 to the discussion of seepage being outside the scope is
- 6 overruled.
- 7 You are correct that there is no change in the
- 8 Project or facility, but the change that was made in
- 9 the Administrative Draft SEIR to no longer build on
- 10 CCLP's land did change the analysis for Ms. Womack and
- 11 Mr. Moore regarding potential impacts or injury to
- 12 their property. Therefore, discussion of seepage is
- 13 within the scope and your objection is overruled.
- 14 Your objections with respect to -- Well,
- 15 actually, your remaining objections are also overruled
- 16 because it is testimony responsive to Petitioners
- 17 during Part 2 Rebuttal.
- 18 Petitioners have assured us and CCLP that any
- 19 impacts from the WaterFix Project will be mitigated,
- 20 however, without concrete descriptions of what those
- 21 impacts could be and what form the ensuing mitigation
- 22 might take.
- 23 That testimony amounts to Petitioner asking
- 24 CCLP and us to trust you without any -- without any
- 25 specific conditions.

- 1 Therefore, CCLP's testimony alleging
- 2 historical and recent pattern of DWR's action or
- 3 interaction is a trust issue that is relevant to the
- 4 weight we would give to DWR's assurances.
- 5 And for that purpose, the remainder of your
- 6 objections are also overruled, recognizing that there
- 7 is some argumentative statement in the SQO (sic)
- 8 section of CCLP-60, but those do go towards the trust
- 9 and the history aspect that I just discussed, and you
- 10 may, of course, conduct cross-examination on those
- 11 statements that you believe to be argumentative.
- 12 Ms. Morris.
- MS. MORRIS: Thank you.
- 14 I'm in a way asking a motion for
- 15 reconsideration on the latter half of the ruling.
- 16 The reason being is --
- 17 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: I'm sorry. Please
- 18 clarify. The latter half?
- 19 MS. MORRIS: Well, the ones -- All of the
- 20 rulings that you overruled on trust as to recent --
- 21 Like, for example, some of the evidence related to
- 22 fixing a drainage pipeline.
- 23 Those are factual issues that have nothing to
- 24 do with-California WaterFix, and the Department of
- 25 Water Resources has not been allowed to put on evidence

- 1 about those interactions.
- 2 For example, there is a debate about who owns
- 3 the drainage pipe and, based on the settlement, who it
- 4 was transferred to.
- 5 And so those -- It's not fair to take one
- 6 person's -- one side's factual allegations or
- 7 allegations without allowing the other side the
- 8 opportunity, and the Department never had that
- 9 opportunity because those issues, like the seepage on
- 10 existing or existing interactions related to other
- 11 issues where there's other detailed legal and factual
- 12 claims, are not being brought to you -- forward to you
- 13 because they aren't within the scope of the California
- 14 WaterFix Project.
- So, it's inherently unfair to say: I'm going
- 16 to allow one side to characterize the interactions, but
- 17 not allow the other side to put on its assertions to
- 18 counter those based on facts and legal documents.
- 19 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Response,
- 20 Mr. Emrick or Miss Womack.
- 21 MS. WOMACK: Could I go first?
- MR. EMRICK: Yeah.
- MS. WOMACK: Yes. Let's see. First of
- 24 all . . .
- Oh, my gosh. I just lost it. Oh, my

- 1 goodness.
- 2 First of all --
- 3 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Let's be --
- 4 Miss Womack, let's be very focused here. Miss.
- 5 MS. WOMACK: Yes.
- 6 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Miss Morris'
- 7 request to us for reconsideration is, as I understand
- 8 it -- and Miss Morris I'm sure will correct me if I
- 9 misstate her motion -- is that it would be unfair
- 10 for -- to not allow the Department or Petitioners in
- 11 this matter to respond and provide evidence with
- 12 respect to the issues that Miss Womack and CCLP has
- 13 raised to characterize the trust issue --
- MS. WOMACK: Right.
- 15 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: -- from your
- 16 perspective.
- 17 MS. WOMACK: Okay. Right.
- But there are two main things: First of all,
- 19 to use your water right as a farmer, you need to be
- 20 able to pump in and pump out the excess, the drainage.
- 21 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: No, no, no. That's
- 22 not addressing --
- MS. WOMACK: Okay.
- 24 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: -- her specific
- 25 rationale.

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1 MS. WOMACK: Well, okay. The second part is,
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- 2 she's talking casually about a drainage pipe and whose
- 3 is it.
- 4 There is absolutely --
- 5 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Again, that's not
- 6 addressing the crux --
- 7 MS. WOMACK: Okay.
- 8 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: -- of her
- 9 rationale.
- 10 Mr. Emrick, perhaps you could help?
- 11 MR. EMRICK: Yes.
- I think the reason we're actually here is
- 13 because DWR made changes to the Project over the
- 14 summer, and we now have an opportunity to put testimony
- 15 in that addresses some of those issues.
- 16 One of the issues is, like you -- the Board
- 17 said, DWR saying that they're going to mitigate it and
- 18 hold Clifton Court harmless.
- 19 I think it's perfectly acceptable for us to
- 20 put in circumstances in which we feel -- or CCLP feels
- 21 that DWR did not properly follow up, did not mitigate,
- 22 did not meet what we think is their obligations.
- 23 If there's a -- an issue where DWR feels they
- 24 should be able to respond, I don't think I have an
- 25 objection to allowing them to respond.

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1 MS. WOMACK: One thing, with my father here, I
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- 2 would like him to address, though, this whole drainage
- 3 pipe. I -- For some reason --
- 4 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: All right. We're
- 5 not getting --
- 6 MS. WOMACK: Just because he --
- 7 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: We are not getting
- 8 into specific arguments with respect to the drainage
- 9 pipe yet.
- MS. WOMACK: Well, then, who owns --
- 11 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: We are not there
- 12 yet.
- MS. WOMACK: Okay.
- 14 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: We're still arguing
- 15 over that. You get to proceed. So, Miss Womack,
- 16 chill.
- 17 MR. EMRICK: So I --
- 18 Miss Meserve.
- 19 I'm sorry. Did you want to ask --
- 20 MR. EMRICK: Yeah. I just don't think I would
- 21 object to -- I mean, they'll have an opportunity
- 22 through cross-examination. And I don't think I would
- 23 object to them having an opportunity to put in some
- 24 sort of response.
- 25 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: As part of their

- 1 cross?
- 2 MR. EMRICK: As part of their -- As part of
- 3 their cross or . . .
- 4 MS. WOMACK: Yeah.
- 5 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Okay.
- 6 Miss Meserve.
- 7 MS. MESERVE: Good morning. Osha Meserve for
- 8 LAND.
- 9 Yes, there was a reference in the motion for
- 10 reconsideration about some -- DWR not being allowed to
- 11 put in evidence.
- 12 I just want to clarify.
- 13 My understanding from the record is that, from
- 14 all the way from Part 1 of this proceeding, CCLP has
- 15 been bringing in evidence and talking about the way in
- 16 which their farm has experienced the California DWR and
- 17 Bureau of Reclamation's existing facilities and then
- 18 their concerns about the -- the facilities that are
- 19 petitioned here.
- 20 So that's been very much at issue throughout
- 21 this entire proceeding.
- DWR has had multiple opportunities to put
- 23 forth evidence about its side of that story. And, in
- 24 fact, it has put forward certain piece of evidence
- 25 about that.

1 So I strenuously object to someone using this

- 2 when there's not an opportunity.
- 3 And then I would just follow up with
- 4 Mr. Emrick that, yes, cross-examination right now, you
- 5 know, through cross-examination exhibits and otherwise,
- 6 that that certainly seems like fair game as long as
- 7 it's within the spirit of the testimony.
- 8 So I don't see an unfairness here.
- 9 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Excellent points,
- 10 Miss Meserve.
- MS. MORRIS: Actually --
- 12 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Response?
- MS. MORRIS: Yes.
- 14 Actually, that is not correct, because these
- 15 issues have been outside the scope of this hearing up
- 16 until this point and the -- as I understand the ruling,
- 17 the seepage issue, because it was not related to
- 18 WaterFix.
- 19 As I understand the justification for allowing
- 20 these issues that are outside the scope of the
- 21 September 10th hearing to come in, it's not to show
- 22 that those things existed but, rather, to insinuate or
- 23 imply or to allow that insinuation that DWR will not
- 24 follow through on its mitigation.
- 25 And DWR has not had the opportunity because

- 1 these things did not change -- these are existing
- 2 conditions -- to put that into the record throughout
- 3 this proceeding.
- 4 And these issues, I assure you, are much more
- 5 complicated and nuanced that is being presented by only
- 6 one side.
- 7 MS. WOMACK: What are the existing conditions
- 8 she's -- Is that a later thing?
- 9 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: (Nodding head.)
- 10 MS. WOMACK: Okay.
- 11 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Miss Des Jardins.
- MS. DES JARDINS: I would just like to point
- 13 out that Petitioners are proposing to construct a new
- 14 reservoir in the same location.
- 15 And I think if the Board was going to
- 16 consider, for example, what conditions they might put
- 17 on construction, and Dr. Tom Williams did have some
- 18 testimony about that, you know, it has to do with
- 19 public --
- 20 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: I'm sorry.
- MS. DES JARDINS: -- interest --
- 22 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: I'm sorry.
- 23 Miss Des Jardins.
- 24 You have lost me. How does this relate back
- 25 specifically to Miss Morris' motion for

- 1 reconsideration.
- MS. DES JARDINS: Well, seepage -- Whether --
- 3 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: I don't believe --
- 4 MS. DES JARDINS: The DWR's promised to deal
- 5 with seepage for the new reservoir at Byron Tract
- 6 Forebay with future design.
- 7 And I think it's very important for the Board
- 8 to consider because that is -- is a future commission.
- 9 We don't have anything about the design or how --
- 10 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Again, that was not
- 11 Miss Morris' . . .
- MS. DES JARDINS: Okay.
- 13 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Mr. Emrick, any
- 14 final words on this?
- 15 MR. EMRICK: Again, I think the final word is
- 16 that, because of the way things have progressed with
- 17 changes to the Project, you know, we now find ourselves
- 18 in the situation where we have the right, I believe, to
- 19 present surrebuttal that would go to promises and
- 20 representations that DWR will follow through with what
- 21 they're promising they will to hold us harmless from
- 22 the new Project.
- 23 And I think that it's very instructive as to
- 24 the situations that have occurred before with respect
- 25 to the CCLP and DWR.

1 They have cross-examination. They can ask

- 2 those -- those questions and . . .
- 4 them an opportunity to -- to supplement the record to
- 5 respond rather than throwing or keeping our testimony
- 6 out.
- 7 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Thank you,
- 8 Mr. Emrick, and thank you for trying to be helpful.
- 9 With that, we will take another break.
- 10 (Recess taken at 10:28 a.m.)
- 11 (Proceedings resumed at 10:34 a.m.:)
- 12 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: All right. We are
- 13 back.
- 14 And, Miss Morris, after consideration of your
- 15 Request for Reconsideration, it is denied.
- 16 Our ruling stands that, based on Petitioners'
- 17 portrayal to date, that they will address any impacts,
- 18 that they are to be trusted.
- 19 I -- We find that Miss Womack's -- CCLP's
- 20 testimony responsive to that and we will hear her
- 21 argument.
- However, DWR, Petitioners, will have the
- 23 opportunity to conduct cross and establish your various
- 24 arguments with respect to the testimony Miss Womack and
- 25 Mr. Moore will provide. And should you wish to request

- 1 additional time to bring back a rebuttal to this
- 2 rebuttal, you may make that request as well.
- Before we proceed, though, there is a
- 4 clarification with respect to the seepage -- our
- 5 seepage -- our prior ruling with respect to the issue
- 6 of seepage.
- 7 There might be some misunderstanding, and so
- 8 I'd like Mr. Deeringer to clarify and remind parties of
- 9 what that ruling was.
- 10 MR. DEERINGER: So, our current understanding
- 11 of what the Hearing Officers have ruled is that -- What
- 12 they've excluded is evidence about the following:
- During earlier iterations of the Projects,
- 14 there were seepage issues that Petitioners were
- 15 proposing to correct; as a result of changes described
- 16 in the Administrative Draft Supplement, they were no
- 17 longer -- they deemed no longer necessary.
- 18 So there were issues being fixed that were
- 19 then not being fixed, just to put it very colloquially.
- 20 Alleged issues if that makes it better.
- 21 And those -- That's not a -- That's not --
- 22 Those aren't impacts from the Project. Those are
- 23 things that were proposing to be changed that are now
- 24 no longer being changed.
- 25 That is different than saying that there were

- 1 flooding issues all along, there were seepage issues
- 2 all along, that CCLP was not affected by property that
- 3 was taken, but now that property is no longer taken, is
- 4 very much affected by.
- 5 It now is a property interest because of
- 6 changes in the Project that it didn't have before. And
- 7 so that -- this is now their opportunity to ask
- 8 questions about those -- those changes and those
- 9 impacts.
- 10 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Miss Morris.
- 11 MS. MORRIS: On behalf of the State Water
- 12 Contractors, I would, based on my understanding of your
- 13 previous rulings, request that I be allowed to conduct
- 14 cross-examination of this panel on Monday, because,
- 15 given the scope of these rulings, I am going to need to
- 16 pull several documents that are related to not only the
- 17 seepage settlement on this property for the original
- 18 contract, but as well as many communications back and
- 19 forth on these other issues.
- 20 I also would request that the State Water
- 21 Contractors and the Department be allowed to bring a
- 22 witness from the Field Division to discuss this,
- 23 because essentially now this has turned from something
- 24 having to do with California WaterFix Project into a
- 25 trial on DWR's character. And, unfortunately, we would

1 need time to be able to have time to respond to that.

- 2 And I don't think, given the complicated
- 3 nature of these issues, because there's really
- 4 two-fold:
- 5 On several of these issues, there's legal
- 6 opinions that are existing. There's debates about who
- 7 owns things. There's -- And probably about five years
- 8 of correspondence back and forth on this drainage pipe
- 9 issue to the point where the DWR Field Division had to
- 10 say they're going to --
- 11 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: All right.
- 12 MS. MORRIS: -- fix it.
- 13 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Now you are --
- MS. MORRIS: So there is --
- 15 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: -- testifying.
- 16 MS. MORRIS: Well, I'm trying -- not
- 17 testifying but describing the complicated nature. It's
- 18 not a simple issue.
- 19 So I would request that DWR and the State
- 20 Water Contractors bring a witness back no earlier than
- 21 a week from -- a week from next Monday so that we have
- 22 ample opportunity to pull together all of that
- 23 information since it is a change in the scope of this
- 24 hearing.
- 25 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Hold on. Hold on,

- 1 Miss Des Jardins. Miss des Jardins, please step back.
- 2 I would assume that DWR is going to join on
- 3 that motion, so let's hear from them first.
- 4 MR. MIZELL: Yes. Tripp Mizell, DWR.
- 5 We would join with the State Water
- 6 Contractors' motion.
- 7 But I'd also like to ask for a little bit --
- 8 further clarification of Mr. Deeringer if he might.
- 9 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Could we hold on to
- 10 that thought?
- 11 MR. MIZELL: Yes.
- 12 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Mr. Emrick, let's
- 13 hear from you first before we get to Miss Des Jardins,
- 14 and I assume Miss Meserve also would like to speak.
- 15 MR. EMRICK: I'm trying to clarify a little
- 16 bit what Miss Morris is asking.
- 17 I think what she suggested was that the
- 18 cross-examination of this panel be moved to Monday and
- 19 then -- if I'm correct, and then that they have an
- 20 additional opportunity to bring a witness in on their
- 21 own at some later time.
- 22 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: That is my
- 23 understanding of her request.
- MR. EMRICK: I don't think we would object to
- 25 that so long as we get the information, the . . .

1 MS. WOMACK: I don't know if my father is

- 2 available on that Monday. He's --
- 3 MR. EMRICK: Okay.
- 4 MS. WOMACK: We've got appointments both
- 5 Mondays.
- 6 MR. EMRICK: Okay. So when would --
- 7 MS. WOMACK: We've got a heart specialist and
- 8 we've got a bone specialist.
- 9 MR. EMRICK: How about October 4th or 5th?
- 10 Would he be available?
- 11 MS. WOMACK: I will have to --
- 12 Dad, are you --
- MR. EMRICK: But that's -- that's my
- 14 understanding.
- I don't think we'd object if we got the
- 16 information, the cross-examination information, ahead
- 17 of time.
- 18 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Okay. And is this
- 19 specific to the request that has been made?
- MS. DES JARDINS: Yes, it is.
- I just wanted to point out with respect to the
- 22 Field Division, I had subpoenaed the Engineer from the
- 23 Delta Field Division to come testify about his
- 24 evaluation of Clifton Court Forebay and the report that
- 25 he had --

- 1 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Let's not.
- 2 MS. DES JARDINS: And it was quashed.
- 3 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Hold on.
- 4 MS. DES JARDINS: Yeah.
- 5 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: I only want to hear
- 6 about the specific requests, whether you are -- you are
- 7 objecting to it or supporting it.
- 8 I do not like -- I do not need any further
- 9 offers at this time, Miss Des Jardins.
- 10 MS. DES JARDINS: So, for that reason, I would
- 11 object to them now saying that they want to bring
- 12 somebody in from the Delta Field Division to testify
- 13 because the subpoena was quashed.
- 14 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: All right.
- 15 Miss Meserve.
- MS. MESERVE: Good morning.
- 17 If I'm not mistaken, this issue was
- 18 addressed -- seepage was addressed in Part 1 and DWR
- 19 submitted the testimony of Allan Davis, DWR-935 and
- 20 several exhibits that specifically address seepage.
- 21 So the idea that DWR hasn't had the
- 22 opportunity to think about and respond to seepage
- 23 issues earlier, I don't think is correct.
- 24 And there's also some exhibits that have a
- 25 Settlement Agreement and other things like that.

- 1 So, I think that we submitted -- and
- 2 Ms. Womack as well submitted her testimony when she was
- 3 supposed to. We've all been on a really quick schedule
- 4 that I have complained about, but I don't see why DWR
- 5 should receive additional time to think about something
- 6 that they've had in hand, you know, just as long as the
- 7 rest of us have.
- 8 And I had asked also for DWR to have the same
- 9 amount of time as DWR now has on Clifton Court to
- 10 respond to the testimony that DWR put in just last
- 11 Monday, and that was -- You know, they're apparently
- 12 going to be testifying today.
- 13 So I think if you start allowing more time for
- 14 different -- different parties based on some perceived
- 15 unfairness that I don't think exists, I do have an
- 16 objection to that.
- 17 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Anyone else?
- 18 Miss Morris, would you or Mr. Mizell like to
- 19 respond before we move off this topic?
- 20 MR. MIZELL: Certainly.
- 21 The Department has not presented information
- 22 on seepage that goes beyond the California WaterFix
- 23 despite the arguments by Miss Meserve that had been the
- 24 case.
- 25 Furthermore, we have not presented any

- 1 information about the diversity of claims against the
- 2 Department that have been made in CCLP's testimony here
- 3 for surrebuttal. So we disagree.
- 4 We believe we do need an opportunity to
- 5 respond to these additional issues that are now within
- 6 the scope and . . .
- 7 Let me know when you want me to ask
- 8 Mr. Deeringer the clarifying question about the scope
- 9 of the ruling.
- 10 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Actually, I need to
- 11 ask you a clarifying question.
- 12 I'm looking at DWR-935, surrebuttal testimony
- 13 of Allan Davis, which responds to CCLP . . . and
- 14 responds to the seepage problem she cited in CCLP-30.
- 15 This was awhile back.
- In what way do you believe that there is
- 17 additional testimony DWR needs to provide to respond to
- 18 CCLP that you -- that you did not have the opportunity
- 19 to before?
- 20 MR. MIZELL: Up until this point, the existing
- 21 conditions that will be in place, whether or not the
- 22 California WaterFix is approved, have not been within
- 23 the scope of this hearing.
- 24 Today marks a change. Today we are now
- 25 opening up this hearing to a number of topics that will

- 1 exist regardless of what you determine about the
- 2 California WaterFix.
- 3 That is a distinct change in the scope and we
- 4 have not yet had the opportunity to address existing
- 5 conditions that will not be modified by the California
- 6 WaterFix.
- 7 The testimony of Allan Davis, if I recall
- 8 correctly, was not entered into evidence. I don't
- 9 believe it was, but I'd have to go back and look at my
- 10 notes. That was a long time ago.
- 11 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Mr. Mizell, let
- 12 me -- Again, this is a complicated area that we're
- 13 trying to clarify here.
- But when we're talking about opening this up,
- 15 we're specifically addressing CCLP's situation because
- 16 of the change that was proposed for this Project given
- 17 the Administrative Draft where you propose to no longer
- 18 utilize her property.
- 19 That changes the baseline that she needs to
- 20 consider when she performs her impact analysis and her
- 21 impact arguments to us.
- 22 So our reopening any issue with respect to
- 23 existing conditions is as a result of the Project
- 24 change, which then raises new concerns for her which
- 25 she did not have in Part 1.

1 MR. MIZELL: And this -- And this goes to what

- 2 I was hoping to clarify with Mr. Deeringer.
- 3 If the opening of the scope today is based
- 4 only upon the fact that we have decided to not pursue a
- 5 Byron Tract Forebay on Miss Womack's property but,
- 6 instead, to move that to the north, then the -- then
- 7 the opportunity to respond to that change should be
- 8 limited to the impacts that -- that the California
- 9 WaterFix now presents to Clifton Court Forebay's
- 10 property.
- 11 That does not include existing conditions.
- 12 There will be no change in the existing conditions that
- 13 Clifton Court Forebay experiences by virtue of not
- 14 taking her land.
- So, when we are talking about what we're
- 16 expanding the scope to consider, I think it needs to be
- 17 extremely clear as to:
- 18 Are we talking about allowing testimony on
- 19 conditions that will exist regardless of your decision
- 20 in this hearing?
- Or is it only impacts that will occur if you
- 22 grant the Petition?
- 23 That is the cornerstone of whether something
- 24 is relevant or not, within scope or out of scope.
- 25 That's what I'd like some clarity on.

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1 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Miss Morris,
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- 2 anything to add?
- 3 MS. MORRIS: Just the testimony of Al Davis,
- 4 if we look at the -- It was never submitted. It wasn't
- 5 brought into evidence.
- 6 And it was focused on the seepage issues with
- 7 the cutoff walls when the Project -- when the Project
- 8 included the forebay on Clifton Court, not on Byron
- 9 Tract.
- 10 And, again, I just want to clarify because we
- 11 do seem to be confusing issues a little bit here.
- 12 My understanding of the ruling of why these
- 13 other issues, including existing seepage, the draining
- 14 pipe, the Four Pumps Agreement, were relevant to the
- 15 Hearing Officers was based on an -- an implication that
- 16 DWR won't do what they say they're going to do and,
- 17 therefore, they were within the scope for this
- 18 proceeding.
- 19 And those issues have not been addressed ever,
- 20 nor has that ever been clear that that was a concern.
- 21 And so it's only fair to the Department --
- 22 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Miss Morris --
- 23 MS. MORRIS: -- to --
- 24 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: -- Miss Womack has
- 25 brought those concerns up since the pre-hearing

- 1 conference and throughout Phases 1 and 2.
- 2 MS. MORRIS: Right.
- 3 And to -- Up until today, those have been
- 4 outside of the scope of this proceeding except --
- 5 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: I don't believe --
- 6 MS. MORRIS: -- for as they have --
- 7 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: I don't believe
- 8 we've ever rules that the trust issue is outside the
- 9 scope of this hearing.
- 10 MS. MORRIS: I believe that --
- 11 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: You would need
- 12 to --
- MS. MORRIS: -- if you're --
- 14 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: You would need to
- 15 point me to a specific ruling from us that says that.
- MS. MORRIS: I didn't say that it said the
- 17 trust issue was outside the scope.
- 18 What I said was that if these things are to
- 19 come in to show as evidence of DWR not to be trusted,
- 20 then DWR should have the ability to respond to those
- 21 specific allegations, not to the general "trust me"
- 22 allegations.
- 23 Because general "trust me" allegations --
- 24 There are legal obligations in these documents that we
- 25 have pointed to throughout in terms of mitigation, and

1 those respond to the allegations related to this

- 2 Project.
- 3 There -- These other issues are different
- 4 because they don't respond to this Project or to legal
- 5 obligations of this Project. They respond to things
- 6 that are outside this Project and this Project's
- 7 impacts, and that's the difference.
- 8 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Miss Des Jardins.
- 9 MS. DES JARDINS: With respect to the argument
- 10 that Mr. Mizell made, it's been clear since the
- 11 beginning of this hearing that Miss Womack was talking
- 12 about property damage and injury to her property,
- 13 and -- and it's also clear that there's issues of
- 14 personal injury or death.
- The Final EIR/EIS and the Supplemental EIR/EIS
- 16 all talk about property damage, personal injury and
- 17 death.
- 18 There's a very clear due process right with
- 19 property interests -- and interests in life in this
- 20 proceeding. And I think that Petitioners made a legal
- 21 error in their strategy and they're now trying to claim
- 22 they did not have a chance to address these issues.
- They're in . . . They're in their
- 24 environmental documents. There was clear testimony in
- 25 Part 1 that these issues would be dealt with in the

- 1 future, and now they're not.
- 2 And I -- Petitioners had every opportunity in
- 3 their Part 2 case in chief to have any indication about
- 4 how do we deal with this, and they just declined to do
- 5 so.
- 6 Thank you.
- 7 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: I see Miss Meserve
- 8 coming up, and then, Mr. Emrick, I will give you the
- 9 final word before we take yet another break.
- 10 MS. MESERVE: Sorry. Just I was trying to
- 11 catch up on kind of the factual matter.
- 12 And, yes, it looks like although Mr. Allan
- 13 Davis' testimony was never submitted because he wasn't
- 14 available, according to the July 7th, 2017, ruling, all
- 15 the exhibits that he chose to submit in support of
- 16 DWR's position, at least in part in response to seepage
- 17 concerns, were part of the evidence. So all that
- 18 evidence is in the record.
- 19 Thank you.
- 20 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Mr. Emrick.
- 21 MR. EMRICK: Yes. I -- While I certainly
- 22 sympathize with DWR, I -- I -- I do -- You know, the
- 23 strategy, obviously, was to make an objection and -- so
- 24 that this information -- this testimony wouldn't be
- 25 submitted. And in doing so, they didn't -- DWR didn't

- 1 prepare for cross-examination on these issues.
- 2 That's certainly not our fault. But with that
- 3 being said, I think we would still be open to the
- 4 possibility of moving testimony and cross-examination
- 5 to another date.
- 6 MS. WOMACK: Except --
- 7 MR. EMRICK: But we don't know what those
- 8 dates are.
- 9 MS. WOMACK: Okay. I have an elderly -- I've
- 10 got old people appointments. I've got a heart
- 11 specialist. I've got a -- You know, we planned for
- 12 this day as far as giving our testimony.
- 13 My father doesn't have to be here after our
- 14 testimony, but he's -- he -- we've done a lot of things
- 15 with 90-year-old people so that he could be here today.
- 16 So I would hope you would respect his time.
- 17 And he -- He is the expert that can speak back
- 18 to 1967, 1968. You know, I don't --
- 19 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: All right.
- 20 MS. WOMACK: He said most people --
- 21 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: All right.
- MS. WOMACK: -- aren't born . . .
- 23 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: For the record,
- 24 Miss Morris, DWR-935, Mr. Davis' testimony, was
- 25 admitted to the record pursuant to our August 10th,

- 1 2017, ruling.
- With that, we will take a break.
- 3 MS. MORRIS: It's not on the website. You may
- 4 want to update the website.
- I was -- That's why -- I was not trying to
- 6 obstruct. I just looked at the website.
- 7 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Off the record.
- 8 (Recess taken at 10:53 a.m.)
- 9 (Proceedings resumed at 11:23 a.m.:)
- 10 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: All right. Thank
- 11 you, everyone, for your patience.
- 12 We did take the time to consider all the
- 13 information provided as well as review our previous
- 14 rulings, and I have two corrections -- or these
- 15 revisions, anyway.
- 16 The first is with respect to Exhibit DWR-935.
- 17 I was mistaken before. Apparently DWR
- 18 withdrew Exhibit 935 because Mr. Davis was not
- 19 available.
- 20 We took official notice of many of his
- 21 exhibits. In fact, we did admit most, if not all, of
- 22 the exhibits associated with Mr. Davis' testimony. So
- 23 that is in the record.
- 24 Secondly, with respect to Mr. Mizell's --
- 25 which seems like hours, if not days, ago -- first

- 1 objection regarding CCLP-60, Page 9, Line 15 through
- 2 Page 10, Line 3, regarding the discussion of seepage as
- 3 an existing condition being outside the scope of
- 4 surrebuttal.
- 5 That objection is sustained, and I will leave
- 6 it to the attorney to explain why.
- 7 MR. DEERINGER: Thank you.
- 8 And my apologies. This one's on me. I was
- 9 misreading the scope of what was being described in
- 10 this section.
- 11 It does indeed refer to conditions that exist
- 12 irrespective of WaterFix, and that's the Hearing Team
- 13 and, I understand, the Hearing Officers' reading of
- 14 this section.
- 15 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Then we also have
- 16 Ms. Morris' request to conduct cross-examination of
- 17 this panel on another day.
- 18 Miss Womack, are you able at this time to let
- 19 us know when you might return?
- 20 MS. WOMACK: I -- I -- I'm -- I'm available
- 21 until the 9th, but my -- my father has many doctor
- 22 appointments, and it -- I -- He doesn't know, and he
- 23 can't call my mother to find out. It's unfortunate.
- 24 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Miss Morris.
- 25 MS. MORRIS: I'll -- I can -- I'll withdraw

1 that, but I would not withdraw the request for the DWR

- 2 witness as to the other issues.
- 3 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: All right. So,
- 4 Miss Morris -- I'm sorry -- let me make sure I
- 5 understand.
- 6 By withdrawing it, are you proposing to
- 7 conduct cross-examination today?
- 8 MS. MORRIS: Yes.
- 9 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Okay. Miss Morris,
- 10 we will take your request to present an additional
- 11 witness under consideration. We will issue an order on
- 12 that request early next week.
- Is there anything else I need to address?
- 14 (Pause in proceedings.)
- 15 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Apparently there
- 16 is.
- MS. DES JARDINS: So, depending upon the scope
- 18 of what Miss Morris is planning, it would be my Notice
- 19 calling the Delta Field Division Engineer was quashed
- 20 based on -- based on that Miss Womack could have
- 21 presented it earlier in the hearing.
- 22 And I would request to renew that if DWR is
- 23 being allowed to bring in new -- new witnesses based on
- 24 the scope of the hearing was somehow expanded or
- 25 changed.

- 1 Thank you.
- 2 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: We will take that
- 3 under consideration.
- 4 Okay. Only two hours later.
- 5 Mr. Emrick, Miss Womack, Mr. Moore, if you
- 6 would like to present your surrebuttal testimony.
- 7 MR. EMRICK: Yes. I'll turn it over to
- 8 Miss Womack.
- 9 MS. WOMACK: Okay. At the beginning, I'd like
- 10 to say there's two minor typos.
- 11 On Page 6, Line 2, it says "isolate" instead
- 12 of "isolated."
- And also on Page 6, Line 14, I say "DWM-2"
- 14 instead of "DSM-2."
- I believe those are the only typos.
- But there's one other thing. I refer to
- 17 testimony in transcripts and go back and forth because
- 18 I -- I'm referring -- When I talked about the date,
- 19 I'll say testimony off of the date. I think it should
- 20 say the transcript.
- 21 So should I change that out? Is that
- 22 necessary?
- 23 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: No. We'll just
- 24 make a note of that. Thank you.
- 25 MS. WOMACK: Okay. I apologize. I -- Give me

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1 a -- you know, anyway, my secretary is not very good.
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                        Suzanne Womack
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                        Sheldon Moore,
             called as witnesses by Clifton Court
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             L.P., having previously been duly sworn,
             were examined and testified further as
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             MS. WOMACK: Okay. I hope you don't mind.
    I'm going to read this because I am so flummoxed at
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    this point. It shouldn't take too long.
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             The summary of testimony -- And I will leave
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    out the qualifications because we've gone through them
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    quite extensively and I know they won't go into the
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   record.
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             (Counsel confers with Miss Womack.)
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             MS. WOMACK: Not the summary; just the
    testimony, then.
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             When Clifton Court L.P. reviewed the
    Supplemental EIR/EIS, we found it difficult to respond
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    to the SEIR/EIS because we did not understand what was
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   happening to our water rights.
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             CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Miss Womack, sorry,
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- 1 sorry, sorry.
- 2 Are you proposing you're just reading your
- 3 testimony?
- 4 MS. WOMACK: Well, that's what I did in
- 5 surrebuttal in Part 1, and so I want to make sure I get
- 6 things in.
- 7 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Things are in.
- 8 MS. WOMACK: Well, I read it in surrebuttal.
- 9 I've been practicing since Part 1. Part 1 surrebuttal,
- 10 we had to read.
- 11 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: I'm confused now.
- 12 It's been our practice to discourage witnesses from
- 13 simply just reading.
- MS. WOMACK: Okay.
- 15 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: If what you're
- 16 reading is a summary of the testimony you provided,
- 17 then, yes, please proceed. But if you're just reading
- 18 directly from the testimony . . .
- 19 MS. WOMACK: Well -- Okay. Well, I will
- 20 summarize as I go. But what I found -- I know I had to
- 21 read in on the surrebuttal. I remember that because it
- 22 threw me then.
- 23 Anyway -- Okay. So . . . So basically
- 24 that --
- In August in 2016, DWR announced that they

- 1 were going to take all our property. And then it was
- 2 only July, I think it was 5th ruling that DWR expressly
- 3 told us that they weren't going to take any of our
- 4 property. Nothing.
- 5 And that's when we started to look carefully
- 6 at the Proposed Project, the control structures and all
- 7 the other things. And we found out we were still -- we
- 8 believe we still are injured by -- the CWF will still
- 9 injury us as a legal user of water.
- 10 During the testimony -- Mr. Valles' testimony,
- 11 he clearly made reference that we didn't know you had
- 12 pumping out in the channel, in the DMC channel.
- 13 It's very clear and, you know, that kind of
- 14 scared us, especially since the Petitioners, DOI, were
- 15 the ones that gave us the cleanest copy of -- We had
- 16 the 1955 contract with the Department of the Interior.
- 17 That was given to us when the -- Basically when they
- 18 put in the fish screen, they took our -- Clifton
- 19 Court's . . . floodgate that used no electricity or
- 20 anything, and they put our riparian and all of our
- 21 water -- riparian, license, everything, was put in the
- 22 middle of the DMC intake at a point that they -- that
- 23 Department of Interior . . . said it would go to.
- 24 And in 2000, my father, like I said, with
- 25 CALFED, they were working with my father and they

1 brought in this contract. So, clearly, Department of

- 2 Interior's very aware of this.
- 3 This water diversion has turned out to be our
- 4 most vital of the farm's water because of different
- 5 things. We tried putting something in front of the
- 6 Tracy fish screen to get another water source and that
- 7 did not work with all the Water Hyacinth that's . . .
- 8 The control structure on the DMC has gone from
- 9 4 -- 2.2 to 14.8 acres.
- 10 (Pause in proceedings.)
- 11 MS. WOMACK: And when we asked how that
- 12 control structure gate would work in relationship to
- 13 our diversion, Mr. Valles said, "That will be
- 14 determined in the future with operations. I don't have
- 15 an answer for you."
- So he said there was not an answer.
- 17 And then Mr. Chilmakuri said, "There's no
- 18 modeling. It appears the control structure's on and
- 19 within the DMC intake channel. And so our modeling
- 20 does not address the changes in those in that channel."
- 21 This was what was said on 8/10 during the testimony of
- 22 Mr. Chilmakuri and Mr. Valles during cross.
- 23 And because there is no modeling or analysis
- 24 of how the control structure affects CCLP and our
- 25 diversion, we have no way of looking at the impact on

1 our control structure -- the control structure would

- 2 have.
- We -- I should -- I should mention at this
- 4 point that our contract says that we have unlimited
- 5 right to be able to go to our pump by the shortest
- 6 version, and that is via the roadway on top of the DMC
- 7 intake. That is something that concerns us about
- 8 construction.
- 9 I would hope -- I would imagine that the
- 10 construction of the control structure's going to be
- 11 fenced, but I will be asking Mr. Bednarski about that.
- 12 Anyway, the next part is the isolated North
- 13 Delta operation which we only found out about in the
- 14 CER. And only the Byron Tract is used in this
- 15 scenario. And there was -- Unfortunately, DWR had said
- 16 that there was gates at the Tracy Fish Facility and the
- 17 gates would be closed.
- 18 And Mr. Valles said, no, there are no gates at
- 19 the Tracy Fish Facility. We were aware of this but
- 20 wanted to make that clear from what DWR had said in
- 21 DWR-1304, 5-6.5.1.6.2.
- 22 Anyway, Mr. Valles in his testimony clarified
- 23 that.
- So, when we asked Mr. Valles how we'd access
- 25 our year-round -- year-round water, we were told we

- 1 would find out later from Mr Mizell.
- 2 And we were -- We wrote questions and we're
- 3 supposed to get a response the Tuesday after 8/10 and
- 4 we did not get a response to how -- our senior water
- 5 rights. We've written questions. We have not gotten
- 6 answers to those.
- 7 And we also had questions in writing -- in our
- 8 testimony in writing regarding what would happen to our
- 9 diversion if the control gates closed under the
- 10 isolated North Delta operations. And we'll be looking
- 11 at that today with Mr. Bednarski, but . . .
- 12 When we -- We're trying to find out what is
- 13 going to happen with these operations. And so,
- 14 basically, with the isolated North Delta operation,
- 15 they will be shutting down the -- the control
- 16 structure.
- 17 And we asked if there was modeling --
- 18 Mr. Emrick tried to clarify with Mr. Chilmakuri. And
- 19 he said the -- Mr. Chilmakuri, when asked if there was
- 20 modeling for this, he said, "The modeling I was
- 21 referring to is the DSM-2 model, and it does include
- 22 the intake in general but not the specic -- specif --
- 23 specificity." Sorry. "We need to" -- It's late in the
- 24 day. "We need to analyze Miss Womack's diversion."
- 25 So he says very clearly here that they don't

- 1 have the modeling.
- 2 We believe that any obstruction of the DMC
- 3 intake will injure our senior riparian year-round
- 4 license contract of water. Our contract is with the
- 5 Department of the Interior. They promised to bring the
- 6 water -- convey and transport the water to us.
- 7 So the potential dual operation with the
- 8 WaterFix BTO. And under the dual-source operation
- 9 scenario, the control gates will control flow out of
- 10 the BTF, the CCF and the Old River to meet the target
- 11 deliveries at both Banks and Jones.
- 12 The control scheme will require flowmeters,
- 13 WSE transmitters -- in other words, the water levels,
- 14 what's going to happen -- and then the sophisticated
- 15 system downstream of both Skinner and Tracy Fish
- 16 Facility. And they say that downstream of there,
- 17 they're going to have a lower WSE.
- 18 Anytime our waters are lowered, it causes
- 19 problems. It costs more for our tenants to -- to pump.
- 20 And higher pumping costs that's caused by low levels,
- 21 it can also lead to destruction of the pumps, which has
- 22 happened on numerous times.
- 23 The one thing we want to make clear is
- 24 that . . .
- Let's see.

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1 Right now, we have tidal water. Our farmer
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- 2 can look in the Almanac, know when it's a high tide,
- 3 look at the Tracy Fish Facility, see if the pump -- the
- 4 trash trucks are in bad shape. He can tell what's
- 5 going on and he can pump at his cheapest cost.
- 6 Once the control structure is in in front of
- 7 our -- which -- It's recent information where they're
- 8 now saying it's a hundred feet in front, the control
- 9 structure and our intake is a hundred feet.
- 10 Once that's in, we won't know when the water
- 11 is going to go up or down because that's all going to
- 12 be done through this very complex SCOTUS system, which
- 13 I've read about a little bit but I'm looking for much
- 14 more detail on. And as far as I can tell, it's not
- 15 there.
- In fact, it says (reading):
- 17 "The location and design of
- 18 structures capable of operating in a
- 19 dual-source scenario need (sic) to be
- 20 explored in further design phases of the
- 21 project. Such work will refine the
- 22 configuration of facilities necessary to
- 23 achieve the mode of operation."
- 24 This is DWR-1304, 5-6.
- So, they're talking about doing a dual

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1 operation with the WaterFix BTO. But then they say,
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- 2 "Well, we really haven't designed it. We're going
- 3 to -- We're going to do it."
- 4 So, I just don't know -- I know my water
- 5 levels will go up and down. That's very clear. In
- 6 fact -- Oh, where is that?
- Well, anyway, they asked Mr. Chilmakuri about
- 8 this (reading):
- 9 "How will this -- How will" the dual
- operation "affect my pumping . . .
- 11 levels? I depend on tides now. Will
- 12 this change my water -- how I get my
- water?"
- 14 And what Mr. Chilmakuri said (reading):
- 15 "Again, the modeling I'm describing
- does not take that into account . . . it
- "cannot be used to analyze that."
- 18 We talked about water levels due to the
- 19 potential dual operation of WaterFix. So that's from
- 20 the testimony.
- Next, we move on to the South Tunnel and South
- 22 Tunnel Outlet Structure.
- 23 Mr. Long, is it possible to -- I believe . . .
- 24 DWR-1305, .pdf 84, and I believe it's 85. One is the
- 25 picture of it and one's the map.

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                    (Pause in proceedings.)
             MS. WOMACK: So, when I asked if there was any
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   studies and modeling that show how the diversion in the
   DMC intake will be affected by these structures, the
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   South Tunnel and South Tunnel Outlet Structure,
   Mr. Valles stated (reading):
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                  "That modeling has not been
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             done . . . those studies have not been
             done."
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             We believe the structure will greatly affect
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   the whole operation of the BTO and the dual facility.
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             Is that just not coming up?
             (Exhibit displayed on screen.)
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             MS. WOMACK: It's -- I think it's -- I know
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   it's DWR-1305, .pdf --
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             MR. EMRICK: It's now up.
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             MS. WOMACK: Oh, okay. Oh, that's the control
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  structure.
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             Okay. Is that 84?
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             Okay. Could you go one page back and see the
   page --
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             (Exhibit displayed on screen.)
             MS. WOMACK: Okay. One page forwards?
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             (Exhibit displayed on screen.)
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             MS. WOMACK: No. Okay. One more page
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   forward?
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             (Exhibit displayed on screen.)
             MS. WOMACK: No. Those are the control
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   structures. This is not -- Okay.
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             I wanted to show the -- Actually, no.
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             Oh, where is it?
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             MR. EMRICK: Is this what you wanted to show?
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            MS. WOMACK: No, no, no. I wanted to
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   show . . .
             (Exhibit displayed on screen.)
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            MS. MITTERHOFER: Is that it?
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             MS. WOMACK: There it is, yeah. That's it.
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             So, we believe that this operation -- and then
    I believe the next page shows the actual where this
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   will --
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             (Exhibit displayed on screen.)
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             MS. WOMACK: Yes. Thank you so much.
             So this shows, then, that this operation goes
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    into Banks' and Jones' intake. We call it the DMC
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    intake.
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             But that control structure, we've talked --
    goes right in the center there, and then there's
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another control structure on either side, and there's a

control structure in the Banks intake, and ours is --

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- 1 you can't see on this.
- 2 But this is a 127-acre structure and channels.
- 3 This is a huge thing.
- 4 We think it's going to affect what happens
- 5 with the water here when the water comes in.
- 6 Sometimes, I've been -- What I've read is that the
- 7 control structures -- and I'm not sure if they're the
- 8 ones in this yellow part; there's two, one on either
- 9 side -- if those are going to be half open or all the
- 10 way closed. There's just this whole unknown.
- 11 And I believe very strongly that that huge
- 12 opening into the channel, and just above the Byron
- 13 Highway there is -- just a little ways back, is our
- 14 control structure.
- 15 I -- I think this is going to affect in a big
- 16 way the water levels in the DMC. So -- And according
- 17 to Mr. Valles, the modeling has not been done,
- 18 certainly no modeling on how it affects my diversion
- 19 because that diversion, again, is not talked about.
- 20 (Pause in proceedings.)
- MS. WOMACK: So . . .
- 22 And I think we need to be able to see impact
- 23 reports to be able to know how we're going to be
- 24 impacted.
- I don't want someone's opinion. I want facts

1 of how these operations of all of these facilities will

- 2 affect the flow in -- in the -- what I call the DMC
- 3 intake -- and what it's called right now. It's not --
- 4 It's not Jones Channel.
- 5 So, I'd also like to look for a moment at --
- 6 with the control structure. I'd like to look at -- I
- 7 think I passed this earlier -- DWR-1305, 87, because I
- 8 think that will help.
- 9 (Exhibit displayed on screen.)
- 10 MS. WOMACK: 87, 88 and 89. So this is the
- 11 control structure.
- 12 This is the control structure, and we think
- 13 this -- There -- There's talk about whether this will
- 14 affect us. This -- And when those gates are all open,
- 15 so there's talk: Will that affect us?
- 16 And they compare it to the No-Action
- 17 Alternative which would have nothing in it. And they
- 18 say those two things are the same.
- 19 And I'm very confused how you could have this
- 20 huge facility here. And this shows that this is not
- 21 the DMC. This is just a -- a rendering. But how you
- 22 can have that.
- 23 And if you could go back, Mr. Hunt -- I'm
- 24 sorry, not Mr. Hunt -- Mr. Long, not that page, the
- 25 page before, because this shows how they work.

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1 (Exhibit displayed on screen.)
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- MS. WOMACK: This structure, the control
- 3 structure plan, I'm not sure how that -- It kind of
- 4 looks like it's a timer on its side.
- 5 I don't know how big that is, how many acres,
- 6 or how -- There's nothing that shows how big this is.
- 7 The only thing I have is that rendering.
- 8 So I don't know how that's going to affect if
- 9 my diversion is on the other side. So those are things
- 10 we've wondered about.
- 11 So I should move on, but I -- I forgot to
- 12 bring that up.
- So, the -- the implications of the WaterFix
- 14 BTO on the current SWP and CVP operations is the next
- 15 thing.
- 16 There's been quite a bit of controversy in
- 17 different writings I've received and then not received,
- 18 that have been taken away from me, that the CCF is not
- 19 a part of the Project.
- 20 But in the CER, it's abundantly clear that the
- 21 State Water Project has Clifton Court Forebay's,
- 22 Skinner Delta Fish Protection facility, and Banks, and
- 23 that the CCF has Banks Pumping and the -- I'm sorry.
- 24 The C -- I'm sorry.
- 25 The -- The Banks connects to the Clifton Court

- 1 Forebay.
- 2 The Jones Pumping Plant is the end of the
- 3 two and a half mile that starts at the Tracy Fish
- 4 Collection facility and, at this point just has the
- 5 Tracy fish and the pumping plant two and a half miles
- 6 away. It's a tidally influenced channel. This is what
- 7 we are -- we're dealing with right now.
- 8 Now, the BTO is going to turn -- change it.
- 9 They're going to remove the tidal influence. They say
- 10 that in DWR-1304, 5-14.
- 11 We know that already it's hard enough with the
- 12 tidal influence to understand when the waters are going
- 13 to drop.
- 14 But we cannot -- We cannot do -- We cannot
- 15 know if it's -- where the tides are go -- the water
- 16 level goals are going up and down because of something
- 17 other than tides. And this is what the -- with the
- 18 ramping up and down of -- of deciding which water's
- 19 going where.
- 20 The water from the BTF will require a daily
- 21 level of operation between DWR and Reclamation. And
- 22 given the fact that they don't -- they don't even
- 23 communicate now that they -- one has this -- this --
- 24 one -- that we have the intake that is a Federal
- 25 contract from 1955, that DOI and DWR can't communicate.

- We -- We're very worried about how they're
- 2 going to communicate. And there don't seem to be any
- 3 Operational Plans in the SEIR/EIS. And we think we'll
- 4 be injured by the poor communication from DWR, DWS and
- 5 Reclamation.
- 6 The common scheduling of the individual pumps
- 7 will need to manage the WSC. Again, that's the water
- 8 levels and the volume and the BTF and the CC -- and the
- 9 Clifton Court Forebay.
- 10 There are going to be common scheduling to
- 11 decide who gets what. They don't know what that, is as
- 12 far as I can read. I have not found it. It's going to
- 13 affect water levels. It's going to affect Clifton
- 14 Court's diversion.
- 15 Liquefaction. Available subsurface
- 16 information indicates potential for liquefactions, this
- 17 along all the sides of existing Clifton Court Forebay.
- 18 We're worried about our tenants.
- 19 For the purpose of conceptual design, it's
- 20 assumed that this analysis is valid for the Byron Court
- 21 Forebay. We would hope that liquefaction does not --
- 22 that -- that CCF and the Byron Tract Forebay will be
- 23 equally taken care of so that liquefaction does not
- 24 occur, and things will be brought up to the 2020, not
- 25 1960s.

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1 The flood protection, you're telling me -- Can
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- 2 I do flood protection? Is that -- What do I do on the
- 3 flood protection? Because I'm talking about -- I'm not
- 4 talking about seepage here. I'm talking about
- 5 desiccation of the -- of not meeting the flood
- 6 standards. This is nothing to do with seepage.
- 7 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Mr. Mizell, are you
- 8 making an objection?
- 9 MR. MIZELL: This is the section that you
- 10 revised your ruling on right just before the
- 11 presentation of direct, so we would object to oral
- 12 testimony on this section.
- MS. WOMACK: If it doesn't concern seepage,
- 14 though, is it . . .
- 15 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: I believe this was
- 16 part of . . .
- 17 If you can identify where it is, it might be
- 18 helpful to us.
- 19 MS. WOMACK: Oh. I'm on Page 9. I'm sorry.
- 20 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: What line, please?
- 21 MS. WOMACK: Flood protection. Starting with
- 22 16, where the DWR states (reading):
- 23 "The conveyance facilities are
- 24 considered to be critical lifeline
- 25 facilities for the State of California."

1 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: I believe we struck

- 2 Page 9, Line 15 through Page 10, Line 3.
- 3 MS. WOMACK: Okay. So -- But that was for --
- 4 That was for seepage. This is not seepage.
- 5 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Clarify, attorney?
- 6 MR. DEERINGER: Those lines of testimony were
- 7 stricken in their entirety regardless of subject
- 8 matter.
- 9 MS. WOMACK: Not to do with seepage. Got it.
- 10 Okay. We'll go into operations.
- 11 There -- According to the SEIR/EIS, there's no
- 12 new operations, and we are very worried about this.
- On September 19th, I got a call from my tenant
- 14 farmer telling me that he's unable to use his water
- 15 rights due to DWR/DFD operations.
- 16 Our tenant was told by a DFD employee that DFD
- 17 was replacing the 50-year-old leaking drainage pipes
- 18 from the 12th of September to the 14th.
- 19 It should be noted that the crew in the field
- 20 didn't agree that this would happen this amount of
- 21 time.
- 22 It should be noted that Clifton Court L.P. was
- 23 never contacted, nor have we signed anything.
- Our farmer tried to be helpful and uncoupled
- 25 on our side the drainage ditches. And we would not

1 have advised that. So, without any authorization from

- 2 CCLP, the drainage ditches were taken out.
- 3 My farmer thought he would begin watering.
- 4 He's putting in his next crops, September 17th. As of
- 5 today, they are still not in. We might get one pipe in
- 6 soon.
- 7 This is . . . He wasn't consulted from DFD
- 8 as to when we would replace this pipe, and we were not
- 9 notified, CCLP, or I think we should have had a
- 10 signature.
- We'd write this off to bad luck, except this
- 12 leaking pipe debacle has been going on for well over a
- 13 year.
- 14 This is the most recent example of how DWR/DFD
- 15 operations affect SWP property. That's CCLP water
- 16 rights.
- 17 Apparently, this team will continue operations
- 18 with CWF. And I wanted to give a brief example of how
- 19 this has taken place.
- 20 So if I could have CCLP-40. We start with a
- 21 letter from DWR/DFD telling us that we -- First of
- 22 all -- Oh, I'll wait until it comes up.
- 23 (Exhibit displayed on screen.)
- MS. WOMACK: Could you shrink that a little?
- 25 (Exhibit displayed on screen.)
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1 MS. WOMACK: First of all, I'm told that I met
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- 2 with this person. I never met with them. And what
- 3 bothered us, too, is, this is not DWR/DFD letterhead.
- 4 So we received this saying we met with them
- 5 and we agreed to replace the -- and fix the leaking
- 6 drainage pipes on DWR property.
- 7 And then temporary.
- 8 And then if we go to CCLP-65, we write a
- 9 letter back as soon as we receive it and say, what are
- 10 you talking about? The leaky drainage pipe are their
- 11 property and it's their responsibility to fix.
- 12 And as my father so smartly said while we were
- 13 waiting, we don't have a right-of-way to be on this
- 14 property.
- 15 And so after this -- This is a year ago.
- 16 After that, the 30th -- Could we go to
- 17 CCLP-67.
- So, you know, we basically say --
- 19 (Exhibit displayed on screen.)
- 20 MS. WOMACK: This -- Oh, that must be --
- 21 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: I'm sorry. I think
- 22 you mean 66.
- MS. WOMACK: Oh. Yes, I did. I'm so sorry.
- 24 I'm trying to hurry this along.
- 25 (Exhibit displayed on screen.)

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1 MS. WOMACK: So, 66, we get a letter back --
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- 2 now it's from DWR -- saying -- Oh, this is the person I
- 3 was supposed to deal with, because I can't -- DW -- DFD
- 4 won't deal with me.
- 5 (Reading):
- 6 ". . . Be advised all drainage system
- 7 equipment located on DWR property,
- 8 specifically what you described as 'the
- 9 south bank of Clifton Court Forebay, ' is
- in working order."
- 11 There's only one drainage pipe that -- there's
- 12 two but right at that one location. That's it.
- So they've been leaking since August 10, 2017.
- 14 Our last letter -- Oh, no, they weren't -- Sorry.
- 15 August 30th, they say they're not leaking.
- 16 And so now -- The next page is 67 -- CCLP 67.
- 17 (Exhibit displayed on screen.)
- 18 MS. WOMACK: This -- They decided to try to
- 19 fix it. This was taken on my son's birthday, July
- 20 31st, 2018.
- 21 And I say it shows it's leaking. There's a
- 22 little bit of leaking, but it also shows the seepage.
- 23 That is seepage. I have other pictures I'll show in a
- 24 minute, but that's -- that's seepage from underneath.
- 25 But this is -- were the pipes that are 50

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1 years old. They need replacing. I don't know why they
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- 2 stopped in July. Just, all of a sudden, we started up
- 3 again. But, you know -- Then on -- Let's see.
- 4 Then if we go to . . .
- 5 Let's see. Then if we go to September 12th,
- 6 2018, DFD begins work without contacting landowner and
- 7 tenant.
- 8 (Reading):
- 9 "Has the tenant farmer uncoupled the
- 10 drainpipe on the CCLP side?"
- 11 My farmer thought that it had been approved.
- We're alarmed by the lack of legal
- 13 communication and coordination. And we're also alarmed
- 14 that now -- That was on the 12th. They're at the 28th.
- 15 That's 16 days not being able to use our year-round
- 16 water right.
- 17 My farmer -- It's going to rain this weekend.
- On the 15th of September, we wrote to
- 19 Catherine Cavanaugh, who we've been told to write.
- 20 And . . .
- 21 CCLP-68. Sorry. Thank you.
- 22 (Exhibit displayed on screen.)
- MS. WOMACK: And we also sent a letter. We
- 24 cc'd that same letter to Karla, the -- the -- the head.
- So, this basically says, these are your pipes.

- 1 This -- We've had this problem for a year.
- 2 You know, I took a picture of leaking pipes on
- 3 the 31st.
- 4 You take it out during the heart of our
- 5 farming time. We can't do this. I don't know if my
- 6 farmer is going to be able to put in his crops or not.
- 7 I have a letter from him and another picture
- 8 of the uncoupled things. He -- This is affecting his
- 9 livelihood. And I don't know when this is going to be
- 10 finished and fixed so that he can actually farm.
- 11 Once it starts raining, it could be hundreds
- 12 of thousand dollars worth of damage. And when I -- I
- 13 spoke with Miss Cavanaugh and I said that. She said,
- 14 "Well, you can sue us."
- 15 This is -- This is -- I just -- It makes me
- 16 cry. My farmers are up against enough without having
- 17 to not be able to get their -- their -- their -- When
- 18 you irrigate, you have to drain. You can't irrigate
- 19 otherwise. That's how you do it.
- 20 My dad says that I'm a mad science. My dad
- 21 knows all this. I don't know if other people
- 22 understand this much. I know you do, Tam, because
- 23 you're an Engineer.
- But, basically, what's happening is . . . that
- 25 we're being ignored. And we're -- we're just -- Why

1 would you take out in the middle of summer? Why would

- 2 you take out your irrigation? Why wouldn't you ask a
- 3 farmer? Why wouldn't you get permission from the
- 4 landowner?
- 5 I'm just about done. I'm so sorry. It just
- 6 upsets me --
- 7 (Timer rings.)
- 8 MS. WOMACK: -- so much.
- 9 Anyway, our main thing is, if DWR/DFD is
- 10 unable to fix a simple leaking drainage pipe in a
- 11 professional, competent, timely manner, how are they
- 12 going to fix the problems come up -- that come up with
- 13 this huge project? This is -- This is a 1950s prob --
- 14 you know, 1960.
- This is a simple drainage ditch.
- 16 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Miss Womack, I need
- 17 you to wrap up.
- 18 MS. WOMACK: I -- I am. I . . .
- 19 Let's see. They -- So they want CCLP to
- 20 believe their control structure in the South Tunnels,
- 21 and the South Tunnel out-split structure, and the
- 22 complex WaterFix BTO operations, and all these other
- 23 things that they're dreaming about will not injure
- 24 CCLP's water rights or our 1955 contract with the
- 25 Department of Interior.

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1 We don't believe it. Petitions -- We don't
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- 2 believe Petitioners are able to create and maintain
- 3 their CWF Project without injuring CCLP water rights.
- We believe Petitioners continue to inverse --
- 5 continued inverse condemnation, as shown in our
- 6 exhibits, will only increase if they're allowed to take
- 7 our move, our diversion, in the DMC intake.
- 8 We wish to be made whole. We ask that as a
- 9 part of a condition of the permit term: The
- 10 Petitioners be required to compensate CCLP for the loss
- 11 of use of its property and corresponding damages
- 12 resulting from the CWF Project as set forth by CCLP or,
- 13 in the alternative, purchase all of CCLP's property.
- 14 This should be required before DWR begins the
- 15 Project so that DWR can determine how to operate the
- 16 CWF without injuring CCLP water rights and contract --
- 17 and our contract with the Department of the Interior.
- Thank you.
- 19 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: All right. Thank
- 20 you.
- MS. WOMACK: Did you want to say anything,
- 22 dad?
- 23 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: You did use up your
- 24 time as well as his.
- MS. WOMACK: Okay. That's fine.

1 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: If Mr. Moore would

- 2 like to make a brief addition?
- 3 MS. WOMACK: Are you okay?
- 4 He's okay. Thank you. Thank you so much. I
- 5 appreciate the extra time.
- 6 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: That takes us up to
- 7 the noon hour.
- 8 I had previously received estimates for cross
- 9 of 10 minutes by State Water Contractors and DWR.
- 10 Is that still the case?
- MR. MIZELL: Based upon this morning's
- 12 argument and rulings, I believe we'll need more than
- 13 that in order to conduct cross-examination today that
- 14 covers the scope of the surrebuttal testimony.
- 15 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: And how much time
- 16 do you anticipate needing?
- 17 MR. MIZELL: I would be able to give you a
- 18 more precise answer after the lunch hour, but I would
- 19 initially anticipate 40 minutes.
- 20 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: All right. So we
- 21 are going to have to ask you to come back after lunch.
- 22 Before we break for lunch, though, since I see
- 23 Mr. Wirth here -- and I'm desperate to see his
- 24 photos -- I had originally received no request for
- 25 cross-examination of Mr. Wirth.

- 1 If that is still the case, then I'll allow him
- 2 to go before we take our lunch break. If that is not
- 3 the case, then he, too, will have to return after
- 4 lunch.
- 5 MS. ANSLEY: I do have some objections that
- 6 I'm happy to lodge and then we can go to lunch.
- 7 But I do not have questions. And depending on
- 8 whatever testimony stays in, obviously, we don't need
- 9 to question Mr. Moore.
- 10 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Okay.
- 11 MS. ANSLEY: So however you'd like to proceed.
- 12 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Hold on. Let me
- 13 hear from Miss Des Jardins first.
- 14 MS. DES JARDINS: Yes.
- 15 I was not here. And I did have some cross for
- 16 the witnesses today. I just wanted to ask for 10
- 17 minutes of -- 10 minutes, if needed, for Miss Womack.
- 18 I don't know if I'll need it.
- 19 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: That was 10 minutes
- 20 for Miss Womack.
- MS. DES JARDINS: Yes.
- 22 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Do you have any
- 23 cross for Mr. Wirth?
- MS. DES JARDINS: I don't believe I do.
- 25 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Okay. Let's

1 hear -- Miss Womack, Mr. Moore, if you would like to

- 2 leave for lunch, please do so.
- 3 MS. WOMACK: All right.
- 4 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: We will hear -- ask
- 5 you to come back for cross-examination after our lunch
- 6 break.
- 7 MS. WOMACK: Okay. Can you do that, dad? Can
- 8 you hang out a little bit longer?
- 9 MR. MOORE: Okay.
- 10 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Miss Ansley, let's
- 11 hear your objection to Mr. Wirth's testimony.
- 12 Hopefully, it's not to his wonderful photos.
- 13 And, Miss Meserve, if you could please come up
- 14 and be prepared to respond.
- 15 MS. ANSLEY: Yes. And I've endeavored to cut
- 16 it down. I tried to read the transcript from
- 17 Wednesday. Obviously, we tried to listen. So I
- 18 apologize.
- 19 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Microphone lower,
- 20 please, Miss Ansley. Thank you.
- 21 MS. ANSLEY: And I think that the gist of my
- 22 objection would be looking back at your September 10th,
- 23 2018, ruling, would be that, in large part, Mr. Wirth's
- 24 testimony is repetitive of his testimony in the
- 25 rebuttal phase, which was SOSC-80, where he provided

- 1 extensive testimony on Project changes in the
- 2 Administrative Draft EIR, which included noise impacts
- 3 in the Administrative Draft SEIR.
- 4 And so, again, what we have is Mr. Wirth
- 5 providing testimony on impacts in the Administrative
- 6 Draft SEIR and also including, specifically, also noise
- 7 impacts from the ADSEIR.
- 8 The second level of my objections -- That
- 9 would be my first objection, that I find this to be
- 10 repetitive testimony and merely a continuation of
- 11 impacts that he alleged in SOSC-80. I believe that
- 12 there are plenty of cites throughout his testimony to
- 13 SOSC-80 that makes my point for me.
- 14 The second --
- 15 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: My understanding is
- 16 that he was also responding to Part 2 Rebuttal
- 17 testimony of Dr. Earle.
- 18 MS. ANSLEY: Yes. And that's what I'd like to
- 19 get to right now, just briefly.
- 20 And I have cut this down to focus specifically
- 21 on Avoidance and Mitigation -- Minimization Measure 20,
- 22 which is Page 3, Line 24 through Page 9, Line 16.
- 23 That section is a section entitled "Avoidance
- 24 and Minimization Measure 20 is Ineffective."
- 25 He does begin this section by saying that

- 1 Dr. Earle and the ADSEIR both heavily rely on the
- 2 conclusions of the FEIR/S.
- 3 The bulk majority of the testimony on the
- 4 pages I just cited, however, are a criticism of AMM 20
- 5 sort of independent and free, for the most part, of any
- 6 changes in the ADSEIR. They are a critique of AMM 20
- 7 which has not changed itself throughout Part 2.
- 8 There are a couple small exceptions in there
- 9 where he does reference the Construction Schedule of
- 10 the Conceptual Engineering Report. But, again, the
- 11 bulk of the critique of AMM 20 could have been brought
- 12 at any time in Part 2.
- 13 So that would be, I would consider, outside
- 14 the scope of surrebuttal and going specifically to
- 15 noise impacts and impacts of the ADSEIR. I would call
- 16 that repetitive with his SOSC-80. And I'm sorry if I
- 17 garbled that because I wasn't quite ready to go right
- 18 now.
- 19 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: No. Actually, I
- 20 understood that.
- 21 MS. ANSLEY: Okay. Thank you.
- 22 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Miss Meserve, your
- 23 response, please.
- MS. MESERVE: Thank you.
- 25 The testimony is within the -- within the

- 1 scope of the September 10th ruling. It is responding
- 2 to new information in both the Supplemental Draft EIR
- 3 as well as new information in the CER which was first
- 4 provided in DWR's Part 2 Rebuttal testimony.
- 5 Mr. Wirth was careful actually to try to avoid
- 6 being repetitive of prior testimony and simply to refer
- 7 back to that in citations with respect.
- 8 So all of the testimony is trying to focus on
- 9 really what are Items 1 and 2 in the September 10th
- 10 order, and which includes, as you mentioned, the
- 11 testimony of Dr. Earle.
- 12 And the reason why this testimony is
- 13 bringing -- is appropriate now is because DWR has made
- 14 some footprint changes to the Project that change where
- 15 impacts would occur.
- And the focus of his testimony is to Sandhill
- 17 Crane, although some of these things would be
- 18 applicable to any wildlife, which is certainly a Part 2
- 19 issue.
- 20 And the SEIR -- The Admin Draft SEIR
- 21 repeatedly points to AMM 20 as being the means by which
- 22 these impacts would be avoided and, our parlance here,
- 23 would not be unreasonable.
- 24 And the SE -- the Admin Draft SEIR does not
- 25 attempt to try to analyze the different changes on the

- 1 landscape, including some really significant changes
- 2 and increases in certain types of Crane habitat in
- 3 relation to the noises and other impacts associated
- 4 with the Project.
- 5 So, while some of the impacts of the Project
- 6 may remain the same, the testimony is centered around
- 7 the idea that the lands -- the impacts on the
- 8 particular landscape are different and pointing to
- 9 DWR's failure to analyze those in the SEIR so that they
- 10 can be understood in this hearing and, in addition, the
- 11 continued pointing to AMM 20, which has not been
- 12 revised at all, as the means by which those impacts
- 13 would be avoided.
- So, I don't think it's the burden on -- on
- 15 Protestants at this point to try to parse out every
- 16 single little thing that may be different.
- 17 And we, in fact, are responding to this new
- 18 information and the -- and how the mitigation and
- 19 avoidance is ineffective.
- Thank you.
- 21 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Thank you,
- 22 Miss Meserve.
- 23 That actually was my understanding when I read
- 24 Mr. Wirth's testimony with respect to AM -- AMM 20,
- 25 that he was applying it to the new footprint in the

- 1 ADSEIR.
- MS. ANSLEY: And I guess, in response, I would
- 3 argue that that is a -- I found this to be a pretty
- 4 thin hook.
- 5 I did not move to strike Part 2 of his
- 6 testimony, which is the ADSEIR fails to address
- 7 substantial changes in the footprint.
- 8 But if you read Section 3 of his testimony,
- 9 after his introductory sentence, which he says relies
- 10 heavily on the conclusions of the SEIR, the majority of
- 11 the remaining testimony regarding AMM 20 is critiques
- 12 of AMM 20 that are independent of the ADSEIR because
- 13 they are unchanged throughout the FEIR.
- 14 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: And I believe that
- 15 was the point.
- MS. ANSLEY: That could be the point he's
- 17 making but what he is doing now is providing a further
- 18 critique of AMM 20 that could have been provided at any
- 19 time in Part 2. And I'm happy to rest on that.
- 20 And then I'd also like to add another
- 21 housekeep matter for just the -- for consideration for
- 22 the daily schedule -- the schedule for today.
- 23 I'm also prepared today to lodge some very --
- 24 some short -- two short objections to Dr. Paulsen's
- 25 testimony. We'd like to conclude that up today.

- 2 Mr. Emrick does have to come back but I did want to
- 3 offer that while I'm here today as well.
- 4 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: All right.
- 5 Mr. Herrick.
- 6 MR. HERRICK: John Herrick for South Delta
- 7 parties. Sorry to bother you.
- 8 I had a conversation with DWR's counsel
- 9 earlier. Their understanding was that only they would
- 10 be able to cross DWR witnesses Dr. Chilamkuri and
- 11 Mr. Bednarski, rather than everybody else could cross.
- 12 There are a number of people that were expecting to
- 13 cross those witnesses, too.
- I just wanted to get clarification on that.
- 15 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Who's "they"? You
- 16 said you talked to DWR and . . .
- 17 MR. EMRICK: I think it's that CCLP would be
- 18 limited to cross --
- 19 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Correct.
- 20 MR. EMRICK: -- is DWR's position.
- 21 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Correct.
- MR. HERRICK: Other people can't cross.
- 23 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Well, I guess we'll
- 24 discuss it now. I was going to discuss it later.
- 25 Now --

- 1 MR. HERRICK: We can do it after lunch.
- 2 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: All right. How --
- 3 Yeah. Let me just remind everyone that allowing CCLP
- 4 to continue this line of inquiry was a special
- 5 accommodation made to Miss Womack to ensure that CCLP's
- 6 due process rights were preserved.
- 7 So the focus of Dr. Chilamkuri and
- 8 Mr. Bednarski's testimony was solely on CCLP's water
- 9 rights and impact to CCLP's water right.
- 10 I believe that, then, would focus the
- 11 cross-examination to that -- only that conducted by
- 12 CCLP because it is their water rights that is at stake.
- Now, if other parties wish to offer a proof as
- 14 to their standing with respect to this matter, what
- 15 your property interest is in CCLP's very specific water
- 16 rights, you may try to make that demonstration.
- 17 But, otherwise, cross-examination of
- 18 Mr. Bednarski and Dr. Chilamkuri would be limited to
- 19 CCLP and anyone else who can demonstrate to us that
- 20 they have a property interest that is relevant to
- 21 cross-examination about CCLP's site-specific water
- 22 rights.
- 23 MR. HERRICK: John Herrick again.
- I'm not sure I could make a proper -- My point
- 25 is only that, when the -- when Dr. Chilamkuri discusses

1 water quality analyses in the South Delta, that we have

- 2 an interest in challenging or examining those
- 3 conclusions and the location of the conclusions.
- 4 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: That analysis by
- 5 Dr. Chilamkuri, again, is specific only to the extent
- 6 that it impacts CCLP's water rights.
- 7 Everyone else has had the chance and plenty of
- 8 opportunity -- and you did -- conduct cross-examination
- 9 of these witnesses.
- 10 We brought them back specifically to
- 11 accommodate Miss Womack and only Miss Womack -- and
- 12 Mr. Moore, I'm sorry -- with respect to potential
- 13 impacts to their water rights.
- MS. MESERVE: Good afternoon. Yes.
- 15 The way I understood it -- and that's why
- 16 we're discussing it now -- is that, in particular,
- 17 Mr. Bednarski's testimony provides a long list of ways
- 18 in which the water rights of CCLP would be addressed by
- 19 DWR.
- 20 And I believe that does raise concerns by
- 21 other legal users of water who are participating in
- 22 Part 2 to the extent there's changes as we've discussed
- 23 before, and there's some representation.
- 24 So that's of interest to all diverters within
- 25 the Delta if there's representations as to what kinds

- 1 of mitigation would be offered to CCLP and whether --
- 2 how those would work and whether those would apply to
- 3 other diversions in the Delta.
- 4 So I guess I'm asking that -- I think we could
- 5 ask our questions to be specific, obviously, to the
- 6 testimony, but I think that there is some room for
- 7 questions that are direct that, as much as CCLP has
- 8 similar interests as other water users in the Delta
- 9 that may have their diversions disturbed by these
- 10 activities, seems that those questions should be able
- 11 to be asked as well, because this is new and different
- 12 testimony and --
- 13 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: As specific to
- 14 CCLP.
- 15 MS. MESERVE: It is --
- 16 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Miss Des Jardins is
- 17 up next.
- 18 MS. MESERVE: The way I understand it, it's
- 19 not -- it's not -- especially with the water quality
- 20 effects, they're using information that is broader --
- 21 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Yes.
- MS. MESERVE: -- geographically.
- 23 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: And that
- 24 information everyone has had opportunity to examine and
- 25 cross on.

1 Again, we brought them back specifically to

- 2 address CCLP's issue.
- 3 MS. DES JARDINS: This is Dierdre Des Jardins
- 4 with California Water Research.
- 5 The direct testimony which is being presented
- 6 is not presented as answers to CCLP's questions. It
- 7 goes significantly beyond.
- 8 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Then Mr. Emrick
- 9 will have the opportunity to conduct his cross.
- 10 But to the extent that it goes beyond CCLP's
- 11 specific issues, Mr. Emrick, I think, will be quite in
- 12 his right to bring up those issues and make any
- 13 objection he or Miss Womack deem appropriate.
- 14 MS. DES JARDINS: And the other issue I would
- 15 have is that this is new information. It's direct
- 16 testimony.
- 17 The original September 10th ruling was that
- 18 they would bring these witnesses back for
- 19 cross-examination. It was then clarified that direct
- 20 testimony would be presented.
- 21 This direct testimony provides new
- 22 information --
- 23 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Specific --
- MS. DES JARDINS: -- that was not in the
- 25 testimony --

1 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Specific to CCLP

- 2 and CCLP's water rights.
- 3 MS. DES JARDINS: To the extent --
- 4 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: To the extent that
- 5 you can demonstrate a property interest in CCLP's water
- 6 rights, you may try to do so now.
- 7 MS. DES JARDINS: Then I would like to move
- 8 for the consideration that any information in -- any
- 9 information that is provided in this direct testimony
- 10 or in cross-examination be used by the Board solely for
- 11 the consideration of CCLP's water rights and not for
- 12 any other consideration in the Petition because
- 13 cross-examination by any other parties is being denied.
- 14 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: All right.
- 15 Mr. Emrick, do you have anything to add before I move
- 16 on?
- 17 MR. EMRICK: I think what Ms. Des Jardins --
- 18 Des Jardins just stated is -- is -- should be, I think,
- 19 our understanding as well, is that if there isn't going
- 20 to be additional cross-examination, that the
- 21 information would be only used with respect to CCLP's
- 22 water rights.
- 23 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Water rights. That
- 24 was my understanding.
- 25 Anything you wish to add, Mr. Mizell, since

- 1 we're talking about your witnesses?
- 2 MR. MIZELL: The only piece of information I
- 3 would add is that the testimony of Mr. Bednarski with
- 4 regards to the Mitigation Measures does nothing to
- 5 modify any of the Mitigation Measures previously set
- 6 forth in our testimony for any other water rights
- 7 users.
- 8 So I believe an agreement -- or at least to
- 9 line up with the rationale you've just explained as to
- 10 how to delineate between what we're going to hear
- 11 today, what we've heard before, and -- It has not
- 12 changed any other information that other parties have
- 13 the opportunity to cross-examine.
- 14 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: All right. Thank
- 15 you, Mr. Mizell.
- With that, then, I think we're all of the same
- 17 understanding with respect to Mr. Bednarski and
- 18 Dr. Chilamkuri's testimony and cross-examination by
- 19 CCLP this afternoon.
- 20 If there are still no other cross-examination
- 21 planned for Mr. Wirth, then I will overrule
- 22 Miss Ansley's objection and ask Mr. Wirth to present
- 23 his direct upon, then, we may excuse him and take our
- 24 lunch break.
- MS. WOMACK: I'd like to take my dad out to

- 1 lunch, so what time is the break over?
- 2 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Mr. Wirth, will you
- 3 be wrapping up in around, say, 12:30?
- 4 WITNESS WIRTH: I think so, yes.
- 5 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: All right. Then
- 6 please be back at 1:30.
- 7 MS. WOMACK: Thank you so much.
- 8 WITNESS WIRTH: Where should I sit?
- 9 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Anywhere you want.
- 10 (Pause in proceedings.)
- 11 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Good afternoon,
- 12 Mr. Wirth.
- I always welcome people back but, in your
- 14 special case, I especially mean it. Welcome back.
- 15 WITNESS WIRTH: Appreciate that. It was a bit
- 16 of a challenge to get this together and I stayed up
- 17 until about 3 o'clock in the morning putting these
- 18 pictures together.
- 19 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Oh, no.
- 20 WITNESS WIRTH: So, it was a little bit of
- 21 work.
- MS. MESERVE: All right. Thank you for
- 23 accommodating Mr. Wirth.
- 24 This testimony is presented on behalf of Save
- 25 Our Sandhill Cranes.

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- 2 Sean Wirth,
- 3 called as a witness by the Save Our
- 4 Sandhill Cranes, having previously been
- 5 duly sworn, was examined and testified
- further as follows:
- 7 DIRECT EXAMINATION BY
- 8 MS. MESERVE: And, Mr. Wirth, is SOSC-85 a
- 9 true and correct copy of your written testimony?
- 10 WITNESS WIRTH: Yes, it is.
- 11 MS. MESERVE: And do you have any corrections
- 12 to that testimony?
- 13 WITNESS WIRTH: I do. Page 2, Line 27, "same"
- 14 should be "some."
- On Page 9, Line 22, "SOSC-19" should be
- 16 "SOSC-16."
- 17 MS. MESERVE: Then I think we'll want to go
- 18 ahead and pull up that PowerPoint, if you could,
- 19 Mr. Long. It's SOSC-86, I believe.
- 20 (Exhibit displayed on screen.)
- MS. MESERVE: And, Mr. Wirth, in preparing for
- 22 your testimony, did you read portions of the
- 23 Administrative Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact
- 24 Report as well as the 2018 CER and the other materials
- 25 cited in your testimony?

- 1 WITNESS WIRTH: I did.
- MS. MESERVE: And then once your PowerPoint
- 3 comes up, if you could please summarize that testimony.
- 4 (Exhibit displayed on screen.)
- 5 WITNESS WIRTH: So that's a very closeup
- 6 picture of the Sandhill Crane's head. What many people
- 7 don't realize is that the red there is not the color of
- 8 the feather. It's the color of the skin.
- 9 So I was tempted after putting that picture up
- 10 to call my presentation, instead of the surrebuttal
- 11 testimony, the Emperor Still Has No Clothes. But I
- 12 thought that would be inappropriate so I stuck with
- 13 something more official.
- 14 For the purpose of this testimony, I would
- 15 like to use the word "Final" for all references to the
- 16 Final EIR/EIS and use the word "Supplemental" for
- 17 references to the Administrative Draft Supplemental to
- 18 make it go faster and less tongue-tieing.
- 19 Second slide, please.
- 20 (Exhibit displayed on screen.)
- 21 WITNESS WIRTH: So my testimony states that
- 22 the Supplemental fails to address substantial changes
- 23 in the Project footprint, and it relies very, very
- 24 heavily on the contested Final, legally contested,
- 25 contested throughout the entire testimony of people

- 1 regarding the Crane.
- 2 And I want to draw people's attention to the
- 3 second bullet point just to remind you what we're
- 4 dealing with here. So no take species.
- 5 Next slide, please.
- 6 (Exhibit displayed on screen.)
- 7 WITNESS WIRTH: Relying on a flawed and
- 8 legally challenged Final for concluding that the
- 9 Supplemental's output is akin to a house of cards. The
- 10 reason is a type of circular logic.
- 11 (Reading):
- 12 "The justification used for a new
- 13 conclusion are as flawed or more flawed
- 14 than the original conclusion that it is
- based upon (sic), but claims are made
- 16 repeatedly (sic) that the original
- 17 conclusions now support the new
- 18 conclusions."
- 19 Which I found to be very problematic.
- Next slide, please.
- 21 (Exhibit displayed on screen.)
- 22 WITNESS WIRTH: So using the example of the
- 23 Greater Sandhill Crane as treatment in the Final and
- 24 the Supplemental will illustrate my difficulties in
- 25 this particular claim.

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1 So AMM 20 is a flawed underpinning for the --
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- 2 for the Supplemental for Sandhill Cranes.
- 3 The first element of that AMM 20, the first
- 4 measure, is a measure about noise and disturbance
- 5 avoidance and minimization. It relates to timing. And
- 6 it's supposed to minimize construction during the Crane
- 7 wintering season, but only if it's practicable in light
- 8 of the Project schedule and logistical considerations.
- 9 Next slide, please.
- 10 (Exhibit displayed on screen.)
- 11 WITNESS WIRTH: So the exhaustive qualifiers
- 12 and non-binding language of this measure make it
- 13 aspirational at best and, as a result, it provides very
- 14 little help for dealing with the new impacts identified
- 15 for the Greater Sandhill Crane in the Supplemental.
- 16 That's a little Meadowlark seen on the post.
- 17 Next slide, please.
- 18 (Exhibit displayed on screen.)
- 19 WITNESS WIRTH: Looking at the second measure
- 20 in AMM 20, we see equally problematic language. There
- 21 is already construction planned, as we see from the
- 22 Conceptual Engineering -- Conceptual Engineering
- 23 Schedule -- actually, Conceptual Construction Schedule.
- Looking to that, we already see there is
- 25 planned winter construction in areas where Cranes are

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1 currently extant. There's no actual requirement in
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- 2 this second measure that no new disturbance occur when
- 3 Cranes are here, unless it is feasible.
- 4 So, once again, we are left with non-binding
- 5 language that is aspirational at best.
- 6 Next slide, please.
- 7 (Exhibit displayed on screen.)
- 8 WITNESS WIRTH: So basically these first two
- 9 measures are duds. There's nothing in these measures
- 10 that provides any assurance that the impacts described
- 11 in the Final were adequately addressed. And,
- 12 similarly, there's no assurance that it will be
- 13 addressed in the Supplemental.
- 14 Next slide, please.
- 15 (Exhibit displayed on screen.)
- 16 WITNESS WIRTH: So we mod the AMMs to AMMs for
- 17 the Greater Sandhill Crane foraging.
- 18 The first measure here is also to the extent
- 19 practicable and relies on water conveyance facility
- 20 final design to minimize pile driving and general
- 21 construction-related loss of Greater Sandhill Crane
- 22 habitat.
- Next slide, please.
- 24 (Exhibit displayed on screen.)
- 25 WITNESS WIRTH: But it appears that Project

1 proponents felt that it was not practicable to minimize

- 2 the loss of foraging when the northern shaft was moved
- 3 south in the Supplemental and this results in
- 4 significant issues with sight lines for foraging and
- 5 roosting -- for roosting Cranes. The enormous scale of
- 6 that shaft, its design essentially, creates these
- 7 problems and serious issues for sight lines.
- 8 We're one slide behind so we need to move one
- 9 slide forward.
- 10 (Exhibit displayed on screen.)
- 11 WITNESS WIRTH: Okay. Next one, please.
- 12 (Exhibit displayed on screen.)
- 13 WITNESS WIRTH: The next measure dealt with --
- 14 dealt with noise.
- There's a little comment there (reading):
- 16 "Wasn't there supposed to be no
- 17 winter construction in Crane season?"
- 18 That's not the case.
- Noise was to be limited from one hour after
- 20 sunrise to one hour before sunset.
- 21 Actually, one hour after sunrise.
- The visual effects of these noise barriers on
- 23 Sandhill Cranes are unknown according to that measure.
- 24 So all other options to reduce noise will be
- 25 implemented before installing noise barriers in close

- 1 proximity of Crane habitat.
- Next slide, please.
- 3 (Exhibit displayed on screen.)
- 4 WITNESS WIRTH: The Greater Sandhill Crane's a
- 5 "no take" species. There would likely need to be an
- 6 extraordinary amount of noise barriers to avoid take
- 7 from birds flushing off of their forage sites due to
- 8 construction-related disturbances and hitting a power
- 9 line during construction during the winter.
- 10 Next side, please.
- 11 (Exhibit displayed on screen.)
- 12 WITNESS WIRTH: AMM 20 is flawed in its
- 13 individual measures as well as a package of measures.
- 14 Considering the AMMs discussed thus far, we
- 15 see that:
- 16 There is no enforceable requirement to avoid
- 17 construction during the Crane wintering season.
- 18 Construction is already planned during the
- 19 Crane wintering season.
- There's no enforceable requirement to complete
- 21 construction projects before, or start new construction
- 22 during the Crane wintering season.
- 23 Also, the water conveyance facility design for
- 24 both the intake in the Stone Lakes Roosting Complex and
- 25 the new placement of the northern shaft on Staten

1 Island indicate that it was not practicable to avoid

- 2 and minimize impacts to Cranes by way of project
- 3 design. Pile-driving and general construction noise is
- 4 required to be limited near Crane wintering areas at
- 5 night for noise exceeding 50 decibels. No existing
- 6 measure for roosting -- I mean for foraging. Sorry.
- 7 And the experimental use of noise barriers
- 8 will be used as a last option.
- 9 Next slide, please.
- 10 (Exhibit displayed on screen.)
- 11 WITNESS WIRTH: So that brings up the question
- 12 (reading):
- 13 "Are sound barriers our only
- 14 available solution?"
- 15 So we see winter construction is planned and
- 16 is going to occur when the Cranes are here.
- Daytime noise limitations aren't there, only
- 18 nighttime noise limitations, so it will be a definite
- 19 impact on foraging.
- 20 There's a correction there, too, for the blue
- 21 line. There's only one "to do" instead of two.
- The noise barriers will have to do the heavy
- 23 lifting of dealing with the construction disturbances
- 24 and these noise activities.
- 25 The measure for having enhanced foraging

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1 opportunities hopefully will keep the Cranes in their
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- 2 wintering ground away from the loudest sounds.
- 3 But, essentially, the only thing they offer
- 4 with the flexible language of the other measures is
- 5 these noise barriers.
- 6 Next slide, please.
- 7 (Exhibit displayed on screen.)
- 8 WITNESS WIRTH: So Staten Island is an example
- 9 of what using these sound barriers would look like, an
- 10 election to look. Not "like like," but "look like."
- 11 For noise in general, disturbance from
- 12 construction, the Staten Island performance standard is
- 13 basically the same as the design for conveyance
- 14 facilities measure, which includes the sound barriers.
- Next slide, please.
- 16 (Exhibit displayed on screen.)
- 17 WITNESS WIRTH: Is it possible to zoom in on
- 18 the Staten Island part of that? That would be the --
- 19 about the lower third.
- 20 (Exhibit displayed on screen.)
- 21 WITNESS WIRTH: Keep going down.
- 22 (Exhibit displayed on screen.)
- 23 WITNESS WIRTH: Maybe it's not.
- 24 (Exhibit displayed on screen.)
- 25 WITNESS WIRTH: There you go.

- I was somewhat shocked when I saw this
- 2 picture. It was the first rendering that I was aware
- 3 of for the noise contours for Staten Island. You can
- 4 see how extensive they are.
- 5 I tried to cut them out and move them around
- 6 to see how much of an impact it was on landscape, and
- 7 it appeared to me to be about a third of the island,
- 8 which is substantial.
- 9 But presumably they're going to be using these
- 10 sound barriers to minimize this sound.
- 11 Next slide, please.
- 12 The problem with that --
- 13 (Exhibit displayed on screen.)
- 14 WITNESS WIRTH: -- is that --
- 15 I'll wait till it turns down.
- 16 -- the impact of these sound barriers on the
- 17 sight lines and visibility issues for Cranes aren't
- 18 known. So presumably they're going to stay some
- 19 distance away from these sound barriers.
- There's no analysis to indicate how far that
- 21 might be and quite possibly the amount of land not
- 22 usable on Staten Island would be the same as if there
- 23 were no sound barriers there at all. They would stay
- 24 as far away from those barriers as the sound would be
- 25 issues.

- 1 So that's -- that's very concerning and was
- 2 not addressed at all.
- 3 There was no analysis whatsoever for the
- 4 changes on Staten Island, either for the northern shaft
- 5 or for the changes in the safe work harbor areas.
- 6 Next slide, please.
- 7 (Exhibit displayed on screen.)
- 8 WITNESS WIRTH: This is a reminder that no
- 9 take is the bar here. It's a very high bar. It's an
- 10 absolute.
- 11 And this issue with the sound barriers brings
- 12 up an interesting philosophical point because it
- 13 illustrates the paradoxical nature of using noise
- 14 barriers for a no take species.
- 15 Because of the inherent risk of flushing birds
- 16 due to construction-related disturbance, it would make
- 17 a lot of sense to use lots of these barriers to
- 18 minimize those impacts on the birds. No noise, no
- 19 disturbance, no flushing, they don't fly away.
- 20 But if you use a huge number of these
- 21 barriers, you create new problems. You have roadways
- 22 lined with these things, construction sites lined with
- 23 them. You're limiting the sight line availability for
- 24 these birds and increasing the potential they might fly
- 25 into them when the visibility's poor.

1 So if you do as much as possible, you create a

- 2 problem. If you go halfway, you haven't done enough to
- 3 protect a no take species. So it creates really a very
- 4 substantial catch-22.
- 5 Next slide, please.
- 6 (Exhibit displayed on screen.)
- 7 WITNESS WIRTH: The only way to avoid these
- 8 construction impacts to Cranes would be just simply to
- 9 say there's no construction during the wintering
- 10 season.
- 11 This is an absolute no take. The only way you
- 12 can absolutely do that is to completely avoid it, not
- 13 using flexible language.
- 14 The sheer scale of the project and the no take
- 15 status of these three different species creates a very
- 16 difficult and problematic absolute.
- 17 The unenforcability of the AMM 20 and the plan
- 18 to do winter construction in the Crane wintering area
- 19 essentially guarantees there's going to be take unless
- 20 there's no winter construction.
- Next slide, please.
- 22 (Exhibit displayed on screen.)
- 23 For the northernmost shaft on Staten Island
- 24 would mean no work whatsoever on the shaft, or in any
- 25 of the safe haven work areas for the entirety of the

- 1 Crane wintering season.
- 2 Next slide, please.
- 3 (Exhibit displayed on screen.)
- 4 WITNESS WIRTH: Can you make that lighter?
- 5 You can hardly see the detail on that file.
- 6 For Bouldin Island, the muck storage and
- 7 related services are going up in the Supplemental.
- 8 Bouldin is right next door to Staten Island,
- 9 literally the next island to the south. Cranes have
- 10 been reported on Bouldin Island for decades.
- 11 Cranes that live on Staten Island, the central
- 12 stronghold for Sandhill Crane population in our area,
- 13 easily goes there and forages. It's well within the
- 14 two-mile zone.
- 15 So relying on AMM 20 and the Final to claim
- 16 that new impacts are adequately addressed despite the
- 17 Supplemental failing to analyze the extent of these new
- 18 impacts is just purely inadequate at all.
- 19 There should have been specific analysis
- 20 addressing the new muck footprint, the new noise for
- 21 the muck footprint, the effect on the Staten birds,
- 22 et cetera, et cetera, et cetera, not just relying upon
- 23 AMM 20.
- 24 For Lesser Sandhill Cranes, this is a specie
- 25 that uses a much larger part of the landscape. Some

- 1 range about 10 times that of the Greater Sandhill
- 2 Crane.
- 3 And the theory, which is basically true, that
- 4 what is good for the Greater Sandhill Crane is good for
- 5 the Lesser Sandhill Crane is -- is accurate.
- 6 But it ignores the fact that this bird using a
- 7 large amount of landscape is more likely to have
- 8 impacts on that larger landscape. There's no
- 9 discussion of that at all.
- 10 In conclusion, the Supplemental is flawed. It
- 11 falls short in explicating the full impacts from the
- 12 substantial change that it covers. And its reliance on
- 13 the contested and flawed documents to explain why it
- 14 does not need to provide any additional analysis for
- 15 the substantial new impacts runs completely counter to
- 16 the public trust.
- 17 AMM 20 falls short of avoiding and minimizing
- 18 the impacts to Greater Sandhill Cranes. The only
- 19 guaranteed way to assure that the impacts to this
- 20 species from activities contemplated in the
- 21 Supplemental and the Final are fully avoided and
- 22 minimized would be the condition that no
- 23 construction-related disturbances would occur for the
- 24 Greater Sandhill Crane in its wintering area in the
- 25 winter.

1 As things stand now, the Project would result

- 2 in completely unacceptable impacts to local and
- 3 protected wildlife.
- 4 Thank you.
- 5 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Thank you,
- 6 Mr. Wirth.
- 7 That concludes --
- 8 MS. MESERVE: Yes, that does. Yes. So I
- 9 would ask --
- 10 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Hold on. Let me --
- 11 And I see Miss Ansley rushing to the microphone.
- 12 MS. ANSLEY: (Shaking head.)
- 13 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: No?
- MS. ANSLEY: It's minor. It's minor.
- 15 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Okay. Shall we let
- 16 Miss Meserve proceed or do you have an objection to
- 17 voice?
- 18 MS. ANSLEY: This is more of a -- I believe
- 19 it's really more of a housekeeping matter.
- I believe that Miss Meserve is going to move
- 21 SOSC-88 into the record, which is a paper by Gary Ivey,
- 22 et al. I believe this is already in the record as
- 23 SOSC-17. So I just wanted to note that these are
- 24 duplicative exhibits.
- 25 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Miss Meserve, can

- 1 you confirm or deny?
- 2 WITNESS WIRTH: I can check my --
- 3 MS. MESERVE: At the moment, no. If it is
- 4 indeed a duplicate, then I don't wish to confuse the
- 5 record.
- 6 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: We will note that.
- 7 MS. MESERVE: So . . .
- 8 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: But at this time?
- 9 MS. MESERVE: Yes. At this time, I will go
- 10 ahead and move them all in with the caveat that if 88
- 11 is the same as 17, then we don't need to move that one
- 12 in. So that's Exhibits SOSC-85 through -90.
- 13 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: All right.
- 14 WITNESS WIRTH: It is the same. I just
- 15 checked.
- MS. MESERVE: Oh, it is?
- 17 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: It is the same?
- 18 All right.
- 19 MS. MESERVE: So we will take out the . . .
- 20 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Thank you,
- 21 Miss Ansley, for pointing that out.
- The exhibits are received into the record.
- 23 (Save Our Sandhill Cranes Exhibits 85, 86, 87, 89 & 90
- 24 received in evidence)
- 25 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Thank you,

- 1 Miss Meserve, and thank you, Mr. Wirth.
- 2 WITNESS WIRTH: Thank you.
- 3 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Mr. Keeling.
- 4 MR. KEELING: Thank you. Tom Keeling for the
- 5 San Joaquin County Protestants.
- 6 This makes sense except, when we were
- 7 reviewing his testimony, there isn't some notation in
- 8 the revised testimony replacing the first -- the one
- 9 exhibit number with the another. Everybody will be
- 10 completely confused and we'll have to do a whole new
- 11 search through all the exhibits to find out what was
- 12 referred to.
- 13 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Ah. Good point,
- 14 Mr. Keeling.
- 15 MS. MESERVE: I could submit a revised and
- 16 just --
- 17 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: How many places are
- 18 there in his testimony is that citation made and, if
- 19 so, why don't we just make it on the record right now.
- 20 MS. MESERVE: I believe that those were --
- 21 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: It should be
- 22 searchable.
- 23 (Pause in proceedings.)
- 24 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: I don't think it's
- 25 referenced at all is what I'm being told now.

- 1 (Pause in proceedings.)
- 2 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: I just did a quick
- 3 search. I don't see it being cited in his testimony.
- 4 MS. ANSLEY: It's actually on Page 10, Line 3,
- 5 but it's an incorrect cite.
- 6 There were a number of SOSC cites that were
- 7 incorrect, but since it had the name of the article in
- 8 brackets, I kind of went with it.
- 9 There's also SOSC-86. But actually SOSC-88 --
- 10 SOSC-87 on Lines 3 to 4 I think is -- a correction that
- 11 might be 89.
- 12 So I just think that that's the article we're
- 13 all referring to.
- 14 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Well, in that case,
- 15 since there's multiple corrections to citation,
- 16 Miss Meserve, I will take you up on that offer to
- 17 submit an errata.
- MS. MESERVE: Yes, I will do so.
- 19 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Thank you.
- 20 All right. With that, we will take a lunch
- 21 break.
- 22 And if anyone sees Miss Womack and Mr. Moore,
- 23 please tell them we are now returning at 1:40.
- 24 (Lunch recess at 12:39 p.m.)
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1 Friday, September 28, 2018 1:41 p.m.

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- 3 AFTERNOON SESSION
- 4 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: All right. Good
- 5 afternoon, everyone. We are back.
- 6 And before we turn to cross-examination by DWR
- 7 and the State Water Contractors, I don't see Ms. Meserve
- 8 in the room. But Mr. Emrick, let me check with you.
- 9 When you conferred regarding Dr. Paulsen's testimony on
- 10 behalf of Antioch, I had LAND down as requesting 10
- 11 minutes for cross-examination of Dr. Paulsen. Did you
- 12 confer with Ms. Meserve as well before we say that
- 13 Dr. Paulsen does not need to appear?
- 14 MR. EMRICK: I think Ms. Meserve was in the
- 15 audience when that was raised.
- 16 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: And she didn't
- 17 object.
- 18 MR. EMRICK: She didn't object.
- 19 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: All right. And I
- 20 don't see Ms. Ansley here. I believe she said she
- 21 wanted to voice some objections with respect to Antioch
- 22 testimony, so we'll get back to that when she's back in
- 23 the room.
- 24 So for now, I will turn it over to Mr. Mizell
- 25 and Ms. Morris. What is your time estimate for cross?

1 MR. MIZELL: I think we're going to stick with

- 2 40 minutes.
- 3 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: 40 minutes? And you
- 4 will stick, I assume, to basically the organization
- 5 that's in the testimony, or was there any particular --
- 6 in terms of outlining your cross?
- 7 MR. MIZELL: We're going to, yes, stick to the
- 8 organization of the testimony. We won't be jumping
- 9 around very much at all.
- 10 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: All right.
- 11 MR. MIZELL: Pretty much the page numbers in
- 12 sequential order.
- 13 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Sequential order.
- 14 All right. Thank you.
- 15 SUZANNE WOMACK and SHELDON MOORE,
- 16 called as Part 2 Surrebuttal witnesses
- 17 by Protestants Clifton Court, LLP,
- 18 having been previously duly sworn, were
- 19 examined and testified further as
- 20 hereinafter set forth:
- 21 CROSS-EXAMINATION BY MR. MIZELL and MS. MORRIS
- MR. MIZELL: Mr. Long, if you could go to
- 23 CCLP-60, please, and go to Page 4 of that. And on
- 24 Page 4, if you scroll down to Line 21, please.
- 25 This first line of questioning is going to be

1 focusing on the statement about halfway through Line 21

- 2 that says, "Thus CCLP had no reason to question CWF
- 3 facilities" --
- 4 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Mr. Mizell, for some
- 5 reason -- I don't think it's just now -- I'm having
- 6 trouble hearing you today. So more importantly, so is
- 7 the court reporter. So if I could ask you to maybe
- 8 bring the microphone closer and slow down a little bit?
- 9 MR. MIZELL: Sure.
- 10 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Thank you.
- 11 MR. MIZELL: So I'm focusing on Line 21, about
- 12 halfway through the line, the statement, "Thus CCLP had
- 13 no reason to question CWF facilities and operations."
- 14 The question is, so, Ms. Womack, you were
- 15 allowed by the Hearing Officers to submit any questions
- 16 you have about impacts to the CCLP diversion point; is
- 17 that correct?
- 18 WITNESS WOMACK: I'm not sure what you're
- 19 saying. When? When was I allowed?
- 20 MR. MIZELL: You were allowed in writing by the
- 21 Hearing Officers to submit any questions you had of DWR
- 22 about the changes described in the SEIR and the
- 23 diversion point you have on the Jones Intake Channel; is
- 24 that correct?
- 25 WITNESS WOMACK: I submitted questions on

- 1 August 9th, some questions I had.
- 2 MR. MIZELL: So is that a yes?
- 3 WITNESS WOMACK: I don't know what else --
- 4 I've -- there's -- I've done this surrebuttal. I did
- 5 the August 9th questions. What else did I do? And I've
- 6 done my -- no, my testimony -- yeah. No, but the
- 7 rebuttal was on the SEIR.
- 8 MR. EMRICK: Correct.
- 9 WITNESS WOMACK: Yeah. I was just trying to
- 10 think of all this things I've done. Sorry.
- MR. MIZELL: So you were afforded the
- 12 opportunity to submit questions in writing to DWR?
- 13 WITNESS WOMACK: Yes, but they were not
- 14 answered. The ones on August 9th were not answered.
- MR. MIZELL: Thank you. And the Hearing
- 16 Officers ordered DWR to produce witnesses and testimony
- 17 for the purposes of answering your questions?
- 18 WITNESS WOMACK: My August 9th questions is
- 19 what I've been told.
- MR. MIZELL: Is that a yes?
- 21 WITNESS WOMACK: I -- this is what I -- this is
- 22 what I -- my understanding is. And -- well, actually,
- 23 also, no. I've been told that you -- that I was --
- 24 MR. MIZELL: All right.
- 25 WITNESS WOMACK: -- given -- no. I was given

- 1 that the --
- 2 MR. MIZELL: I think I've got the answer to the
- 3 question.
- 4 WITNESS WOMACK: -- what is being presented.
- 5 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Hold on. Hold on.
- 6 Only one of you may speak at a time, or the court
- 7 reporter will walk out --
- 8 WITNESS WOMACK: You're right.
- 9 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: -- and this will
- 10 end.
- 11 WITNESS WOMACK: That's great.
- 12 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Not to give her any
- 13 ideas -- for today.
- Okay. Mr. Mizell, your next question.
- MR. MIZELL: DWR witnesses have yet to testify
- in response to the Board's order that they appear to
- 17 answer questions, correct?
- 18 WITNESS WOMACK: Well, they have submitted
- 19 their testimony.
- 20 MR. MIZELL: Right. That's not my question.
- 21 My question is they have yet to testify at this point in
- 22 time, correct?
- 23 WITNESS WOMACK: Yes.
- MR. MIZELL: Thank you.
- 25 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Mr. Mizell, do you

- 1 have more questions along this line?
- 2 MR. MIZELL: I have one more.
- 3 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Okay. Because I'm
- 4 about to ask what is the purpose of this. But go ahead,
- 5 ask your question.
- 6 MR. MIZELL: You'll have the opportunity to
- 7 question DWR witnesses about the California WaterFix
- 8 facilities and operations with the scope that
- 9 encompasses both Parts 1 and 2 of this hearing; is that
- 10 correct?
- 11 WITNESS WOMACK: I have the questions that I've
- 12 submitted to them that I hope to get answers to. I
- don't know what those answer will be.
- MR. MIZELL: Okay. Thank you.
- 15 If we could go to Page 6, please. And looking
- 16 at Lines 16 through 18, The statement reads, "CCLP
- 17 believes that any obstruction of the DMC Intake will
- 18 injure CCLP's senior, riparian, year-round, licensed
- 19 contracted water rights."
- 20 My question is what do you mean by "any
- 21 obstruction"?
- 22 WITNESS WOMACK: Well, I was referring to what
- 23 Mr. Chilmakuri had referenced before about, "The
- 24 modeling I was referring to is the DSM-2 model, and it
- 25 does include a -- include the intake channel in general

- 1 but not with specificity. We need to analyze
- 2 Ms. Womack's diversion."
- 3 So when I said "CCLP believes that any
- 4 obstruction of the DMC intake will injure our CCLP
- 5 senior riparian, year-round, licensed, contracted water
- 6 rights," I was referring to the control structure.
- 7 But at this point, I didn't know which side the
- 8 control structure was on because I think before our --
- 9 this last testimony, it was on the -- the control
- 10 structure was after we had our intake, and then was the
- 11 control structure. So Tracy Fish Facility control
- 12 structure, our intake is what I was given -- when I
- 13 wrote this.
- 14 MR. MIZELL: So if I understand you correctly,
- 15 you are referring to obstruct- -- when you refer to
- 16 obstruction, you mean either the control structure or
- 17 the Tracy Fish Facility or your diversion point itself?
- 18 WITNESS WOMACK: Well, there's other
- 19 obstruction. The other --
- 20 (Sotto voce discussion between Ms. Womack
- and Mr. Emrick)
- 22 WITNESS WOMACK: They're going to -- there's
- 23 other things that are going to influence the DMC Intake
- 24 so I don't know if that's an obstruction or not.
- MR. MIZELL: When you say "obstruction," are

- 1 you referring to those other things that you just
- 2 alluded to?
- 3 WITNESS WOMACK: Any obstruction, yeah.
- 4 MR. MIZELL: What do you mean by "obstruction"?
- 5 WITNESS WOMACK: Obstruction, all of the
- 6 structures you want to put in the DMC Intake and the
- 7 things that connect to it. Anything is going to change.
- 8 MR. MIZELL: So any structure --
- 9 WITNESS WOMACK: Whether it's the channel
- 10 that -- you have the south tunnel outlet structure; you
- 11 have the channel from it; you have a control structure
- 12 between that and the other; you have all the operations.
- 13 And they're -- you know, the dual, the BTO, you have
- 14 many different operations that depend on these different
- 15 obstructions that are in -- that will be added.
- 16 MR. MIZELL: So you believe the operations are
- 17 an obstruction?
- 18 WITNESS WOMACK: I think they can be. They can
- 19 change -- in that they can change my water level.
- 20 MR. MIZELL: You're not referring to physical
- 21 obstructions; you're referring to --
- 22 WITNESS WOMACK: Oh, I'm referring to both
- 23 because there are physical ones that are going to then
- 24 change things. The control structure right by me is the
- 25 biggest example.

1 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Mr. Mizell, since I

- 2 am also unclear about this, let me try asking it this
- 3 way.
- 4 Ms. Womack, if we were to consider a condition
- 5 to alleviate what you believe to be the impact described
- 6 here, what would that condition look like? How would
- 7 you phrase it? In terms of addressing this obstruction
- 8 that you cited, what would be the mitigation for that?
- 9 WITNESS WOMACK: I honestly --
- 10 MR. EMRICK: If you know, you can answer.
- I think one of the problems is, of course,
- 12 that, you know, the analysis of how the control
- 13 structure water levels hasn't really been performed. We
- 14 don't know what that's going to be.
- 15 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: So, I'm sorry.
- 16 There's some concern, then, when she says "obstruction
- of the intake," is it relating to the water level?
- 18 WITNESS WOMACK: It's relating to anything
- 19 that's going -- right now --
- 20 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Anything that might
- 21 interfere with your --
- 22 WITNESS WOMACK: With our diversion.
- 23 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: -- your diversion.
- 24 WITNESS WOMACK: Right now, I have nothing.
- 25 And, you know, somewhere in there it says the No Action

- 1 Alternative is the same as the control structure.
- 2 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: I just wanted to --
- 3 WITNESS WOMACK: Yeah, I know.
- 4 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: -- understand.
- 5 WITNESS WOMACK: Nothing versus whatever they
- 6 throw in there is going to obstruct in some way in our
- 7 ability to take water.
- 8 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Thank you.
- 9 MR. MIZELL: Do you know if the Jones Pumping
- 10 Plant intake channel is a man-made waterway?
- 11 WITNESS WOMACK: I know that the upper portion
- 12 by our ranch is Herdlyn Canal that was actually put in
- 13 by -- in -- when there was the flood in 1907, by our
- 14 property owners. So I know that it is -- that part is.
- 15 My dad would probably know about the other part
- 16 of the DMC Intake.
- 17 WITNESS MOORE: Okay. That's it. Yeah.
- 18 WITNESS WOMACK: The DMC intake. Ours is
- 19 man-made, the Herdlyn part.
- 20 WITNESS MOORE: No, it was -- the old -- they
- 21 went down the Herdlyn Canal.
- 22 WITNESS WOMACK: They went down a Herdlyn
- 23 Canal.
- 24 WITNESS MOORE: But the thing is --
- 25 WITNESS WOMACK: The rest of it --

- 1 WITNESS MOORE: My big problem here, is is the
- 2 whole thing. They're taking 20- -- up to 20,000 feet --
- 3 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Stop please. Stop
- 4 please.
- 5 WITNESS WOMACK: We need to -- he just wanted
- 6 to know about the canal.
- 7 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Yes. The question,
- 8 Mr. Mizell, was?
- 9 MR. MIZELL: Whether or not it was man-made.
- 10 WITNESS WOMACK: So it was -- our part, the
- 11 part up to the Byron Highway, was part of a control that
- 12 was made -- a canal that was made I believe in 1907 by
- 13 Herdlyn people --
- MR. MIZELL: Thank you.
- 15 WITNESS WOMACK: -- and then taken over
- 16 eventually by the CVP.
- 17 MR. MIZELL: Thank you. The water right that
- 18 you claim in this sentence, is it for agricultural
- 19 purposes?
- 20 WITNESS WOMACK: We have year-round water
- 21 rights. You would have to look at the license.
- 22 Is it just ag?
- 23 WITNESS MOORE: We have riparian rights going
- 24 into 1880s.
- 25 WITNESS WOMACK: We have riparian -- yeah.

- 1 WITNESS MOORE: And a 1926 license.
- 2 WITNESS WOMACK: Dad, he wants to know are
- 3 they -- are they ag rights.
- 4 WITNESS MOORE: I don't have the -- what?
- 5 WITNESS WOMACK: We don't have the license with
- 6 us.
- 7 WITNESS MOORE: I don't have the license with
- 8 us, no.
- 9 WITNESS WOMACK: Yeah.
- 10 You would probably know that.
- 11 I -- we don't -- I don't have it with me today.
- 12 As far as -- I know it's a year-round. I know it's
- 13 senior to 1880s, '70s, and it's -- I know I also have a
- 14 contract with Department of Interior, and I have a
- 15 license '25 -- 1925 license.
- 16 MR. MIZELL: Thank you. Does CCLP or its
- 17 tenant farmers utilize planting practices and time
- 18 frames that are common for the South Delta region?
- 19 WITNESS WOMACK: I don't know what's common for
- 20 the South Delta region. They use year-round water
- 21 rights.
- MR. MIZELL: When you refer to a contracted
- 23 water right, what do you mean?
- 24 WITNESS WOMACK: I'm referring to the 1955 land
- 25 purchase contract where an exception was made for our

- 1 water because the -- they purchased our -- they
- 2 purchased the farms's floodgate and they had to move it.
- 3 So as you read the contract, and I'm sure you have, it
- 4 says that they're moving this riparian right in the DMC.
- 5 It's a very unusual situation because -- with
- 6 the floodgate. It -- we've -- it's cost us so much to
- 7 pump.
- 8 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Ms. Womack, the
- 9 contract was with?
- 10 WITNESS WOMACK: Oh, Department of the
- 11 Interior, Reclamation, signed in 1955 when they
- 12 purchased for the Tracy Fish -- I don't think it was --
- 13 for the fish screen.
- MR. EMRICK: If you have the exhibit for
- 15 this. . .
- 16 WITNESS WOMACK: Yes. It is Exhibit CCLP-62,
- 17 and that's along with the 2000 letter that Department of
- 18 the Interior sent when they provided this contract. I
- 19 believe we had it, but it wasn't in such pristine order,
- 20 so -- yeah, this was regarding CalFed when they wanted
- 21 to purchase our property.
- MR. MIZELL: And the 1955 land purchase
- 23 contract does not guarantee a specific quantity of water
- 24 to be delivered to your diversion point by the CVP or
- 25 the SWP; is that correct?

- 1 WITNESS WOMACK: No, you're wrong.
- 2 MR. MIZELL: How much water does it guarantee
- 3 to be delivered by either the CVP or SWP?
- 4 WITNESS WOMACK: Well, we'll have to look at
- 5 that contract. Could you pull it up, please?
- 6 And you'll have to realize this contract was
- 7 made when our farm was 1157 acres.
- 8 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: So this is the
- 9 CCLP-62, and --
- 10 WITNESS WOMACK: Okay. So you'll have to go
- 11 down to about Page 7 or 8. This is on Page 3 of the
- 12 contract. So let's see. Page 3 of the contract --
- 13 there we go, where the little arrow is.
- 14 Let's see. "The United States agrees to
- 15 transport and convey through. . .riparian,
- 16 appropriative, or prescriptive waters, provided,
- 17 however. . .shall not exceed the rate of 1 cubic foot
- 18 per second continued flow to each 80 acres of irrigated
- 19 land formerly irrigated through facilities located at
- 20 said point of Diversion No. 2."
- 21 So this is -- you have to go back quite a ways
- 22 to realize this was part of 11,000 -- 1157 acres. With
- 23 the way the land was taken, most of this property is now
- 24 irrigated by this diversion.
- MR. MIZELL: Isn't it correct that this

- 1 sentence that you just read and is indicated on the
- 2 screen with the arrow in CCLP-62, Page 3 of the 1955
- 3 contract, isn't it true this is a right to transport and
- 4 convey water and not a water right?
- 5 WITNESS WOMACK: Oh, well, it's -- it is -- I'm
- 6 sorry. It's taking -- it speaks of our water right on
- 7 Page 2, I believe. At the very bottom of this
- 8 paragraph, "There shall be reserved to Vendor, her
- 9 heirs, executors, administrators, and assigns, any
- 10 riparian or other water rights or water" --
- 11 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Ms. Womack, you need
- 12 to slow down for the court reporter.
- 13 WITNESS WOMACK: I'm so sorry.
- 14 It's on Page 2 of this contract. So one page
- 15 up. So it's the last -- it's a little paragraph. But I
- 16 believe it's talking about our water rights because this
- 17 is all to do with taking our water rights.
- 18 MR. MIZELL: The sentence on Page 3, we could
- 19 go back to Page 3 where the arrow is, reads that it
- 20 agrees to transport and convey through the canal to your
- 21 pump water at a rate of 1 cfs. Is that a correct
- 22 reading of this?
- 23 WITNESS WOMACK: I would think you need to read
- 24 the entire contract, but that is one part of the
- 25 contract, yes.

1 MR. MIZELL: So the language that you pointed

- 2 to when I asked you if you had a contract with the CVP
- 3 to deliver you a specific quantity of water does not
- 4 actually guarantee you a quantity of water from the CVP
- 5 or the SWP, only a right to transport water?
- 6 WITNESS WOMACK: Transport and convey our
- 7 water. I'm sorry. I believe this is the land contract
- 8 and with the ability to give us water.
- 9 MR. MIZELL: And as you just said, it was to
- 10 transport your water, correct?
- 11 WITNESS WOMACK: It is taking it -- what
- 12 they've done is they've removed it from the river, and
- 13 they've placed it in the DMC. This is the same water
- 14 right that we had at the -- at the river. It's a
- 15 floodgate.
- 16 WITNESS MOORE: I don't have a clue what you're
- 17 talking about.
- 18 WITNESS WOMACK: I don't know.
- 19 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Hold on.
- Ms. Meserve.
- 21 MS. MESERVE: I'd like to object to this line
- 22 of questioning. It calls for a legal conclusion from
- 23 Ms. Womack, and I don't believe that she's qualified to
- 24 answer that.
- 25 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Ms. Womack has

- 1 asserted that her water rights is being impacted. I
- 2 need to understand what she means by that. And I
- 3 believe that's the line of questioning.
- 4 So, overruled, Ms. Meserve.
- 5 (Sotto voce discussion between Ms. Womack
- 6 and Mr. Emrick)
- 7 WITNESS WOMACK: Right. Right.
- 8 But this is part of this contract, that they
- 9 are going to be putting our right in there. This is --
- 10 this is part of this purchase agreement. I don't know
- 11 why the Department of Interior would want to not -- why
- 12 would you have this in the --
- 13 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Hold on. That's
- 14 going beyond the scope of the question, so.
- 15 WITNESS WOMACK: Okay.
- MS. MORRIS: Let me see if I can --
- 17 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Please.
- 18 WITNESS WOMACK: I am not a -- I am not a legal
- 19 water expert on this contract, but this says "contract."
- 20 MS. MORRIS: Let me ask you -- let me try. Let
- 21 me see if I can help clarify the record here. I only
- 22 promise to try, so hopefully everyone will be very
- 23 patient.
- 24 Does this contract provide you SWP or CVP
- 25 permitted water rights, or is it simply a contract to

- 1 transport your existing water rights?
- 2 WITNESS WOMACK: It is -- since there was no
- 3 SWP in 1955, it can't be SWP rights.
- 4 CVP rights, they are saying that they will take
- 5 it to this point. This is the point they agreed upon.
- 6 I don't know what that becomes.
- 7 MS. MORRIS: You are asserting that you have a
- 8 contract for CVP-delivered water under their water
- 9 rights.
- 10 WITNESS WOMACK: They will deliver to this
- 11 point is what they say.
- 12 MS. MORRIS: And the basis of the contract is
- 13 not -- let's be clear. We're not talking about
- 14 delivered. I'm not talking about the delivery. I'm
- 15 talking about what's the basis of the water that's being
- 16 delivered.
- 17 So is it your assertion that they are
- 18 delivering your water rights or CVP water rights?
- 19 That's the question.
- 20 WITNESS WOMACK: Yeah, they are my riparian
- 21 water rights. Yes.
- 22 MS. MORRIS: So this contract doesn't give you
- 23 a right to CVP water; rather, it's a conveyance
- 24 agreement to convey your existing water rights, correct?
- 25 WITNESS WOMACK: Yeah.

- 1 MS. MORRIS: Okay.
- 2 WITNESS WOMACK: I believe so. Mm-hmm. But I
- 3 think what -- yeah, okay.
- 4 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Thank you. Let's
- 5 leave --
- 6 WITNESS WOMACK: We'll leave it at that. As
- 7 far as I know. I may have to come back and say
- 8 something different because I'm not a contract lawyer,
- 9 but this is the contract that I have.
- 10 MR. MIZELL: If we can go to Page 8 of CCLP-60,
- 11 please. And on Page 8, looking at Lines 15 to 17.
- 12 Am I reading this correctly to say that you
- 13 believe removing tidal influence will cost CCLP money?
- 14 WITNESS WOMACK: Yes.
- MR. MIZELL: As a general statement?
- 16 WITNESS WOMACK: Yes.
- 17 MR. MIZELL: Hypothetically, if the water in
- 18 your channel at your diversion point were artificially
- 19 made higher, so tidal influence was removed and it was
- 20 made higher, wouldn't that result in you saving money?
- 21 WITNESS WOMACK: Dad, do you want to explain
- 22 pumping? You don't say --
- 23 WITNESS MOORE: I didn't -- here's the thing.
- 24 WITNESS WOMACK: You don't save -- there's a
- 25 certain point of pumping where it's an even point. When

- 1 you put it higher, you don't save more. When you drop
- 2 lower, it's really expensive. My -- it can double the
- 3 amount of expense.
- But when it goes higher, you don't pay less.
- 5 And as an engineer, I'm sure you understand that.
- 6 WITNESS MOORE: You know, we're sitting here --
- 7 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Hold on. I'm sorry.
- 8 Hold on. Hold on. We can't hear Mr. Moore.
- 9 WITNESS MOORE: You don't understand.
- 10 WITNESS WOMACK: They don't, yeah.
- 11 WITNESS MOORE: You don't understand.
- 12 WITNESS WOMACK: No, they don't, dad.
- 13 WITNESS MOORE: That the 20,000 second feet
- 14 coming out of that river affects us. It affects us from
- 15 the day one; it affects us today, right now.
- When you go in --
- 17 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Hold on.
- 18 WITNESS MOORE: -- and you put all this
- 19 artificial stuff in, it's just baloney.
- 20 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: That is not
- 21 responsive.
- 22 WITNESS WOMACK: Dad, we've got to stop.
- 23 okay --
- 24 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Mr. Mizell, do you
- 25 wish to explore this further, or do you wish to move on?

1 MR. MIZELL: I'd like to ask one question in

- 2 response to Ms. Womack's answer.
- 3 So you indicated there was a point of water
- 4 level elevation where it neither cost you money nor
- 5 saved you money, that anything at that point or higher
- 6 didn't actually save you any money. What's that water
- 7 elevation?
- 8 WITNESS WOMACK: I wouldn't know. I'm not a
- 9 farmer. My dad would know.
- 10 MR. MIZELL: Mr. Moore, what's the water level
- 11 elevation that --
- 12 WITNESS MOORE: Water level? What's the water
- 13 level?
- MR. MIZELL: No. What is the water level
- 15 elevation at which --
- 16 WITNESS MOORE: The mean sea level? You want
- 17 the mean sea level? What do you want it in?
- 18 MR. MIZELL: Hearing Officer Doduc, I withdraw
- 19 the question.
- 20 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Thank you.
- 21 MR. MOORE: What reference do you want? What
- 22 reference do you want?
- 23 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Hold on.
- MR. MIZELL: I withdrew the question,
- 25 Mr. Moore.

- 1 WITNESS WOMACK: He withdrew the question.
- WITNESS MOORE: Oh, okay.
- MR. MIZELL: Ms. Womack, isn't it true that DWR
- 4 disputes that it owns the pumps and pipes installed for
- 5 CCLP drainage that you've identified in your testimony
- 6 at Pages 10 and 11?
- 7 WITNESS WOMACK: I have received -- I -- I
- 8 have -- you know, I've only been told this recently, in
- 9 the last couple -- I was very surprised with counsel
- 10 saying that they don't own it.
- Dad, regarding the -- they're very interested
- 12 in the discharge pipes coming from our property going
- onto the DWR property and into the Clifton Court
- 14 Forebay. Could you explain how you had to set that up
- 15 over 50 years ago because that's the only thing I can go
- 16 with.
- 17 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Hold on. The
- 18 question was, to your knowledge, has the Department
- 19 disputed the ownership?
- 20 WITNESS WOMACK: Never, until this last -- I
- 21 mean, there's been no dispute --
- 22 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: All right.
- 23 WITNESS WOMACK: -- until --
- 24 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Until recently.
- 25 WITNESS WOMACK: -- until a year ago, when we

- 1 got a crazy letter.
- 2 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Thank you.
- 3 That answers your question, Mr. Mizell?
- 4 MR. MIZELL: Mm-hmm. So I'd like to bring up
- 5 CCLP-40, please.
- 6 Ms. Womack, in this letter, the Department
- 7 grants you a temporary entry permit to repair your
- 8 drainage system; is that correct?
- 9 WITNESS WOMACK: Could we refer to the top of
- 10 this paper, first?
- 11 There is no letterhead. This is a letter from
- 12 someone -- "This letter is a response to our meeting on
- 13 June 27th, 2017."
- If you go down to the person that signed this,
- 15 I have never met this person. I have never had a
- 16 meeting. I don't know what else to say.
- 17 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Hold on. So you are
- 18 disputing the authentication -- authenticity of this --
- 19 WITNESS WOMACK: I'm offended. I got a TEP
- 20 order.
- 21 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Hold on.
- 22 MS. MORRIS: This is actually an exhibit that
- 23 was made by -- this is a CCLP exhibit that they're
- 24 submitting.
- 25 WITNESS WOMACK: Yes, to show the incompetence.

- 1 MS. MORRIS: I don't think there was a
- 2 question.
- 3 WITNESS WOMACK: Sorry. I'm trying --
- 4 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Mr. Mizell, are you
- 5 stipulating or are you hereby authenticating this letter
- 6 as being from the Department? Because her purpose in
- 7 submitting it was to question its authenticity. So you
- 8 can't -- I mean, you're not going to ask her a question
- 9 about a document to which she questions the validity.
- 10 MR. MIZELL: I'm having a hard time
- 11 understanding why she's questioning the authenticity of
- 12 her own exhibit. But if we go to CCLP-32 --
- 13 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: We're going back to
- 14 CCLP-62?
- 15 MR. MIZELL: 32.
- 16 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: 32.
- 17 MR. MIZELL: Yes, 32. And here is a scanned
- 18 image submitted by Ms. Womack from the State of
- 19 California Department of Water Resources. And if we
- 20 scroll to the next page, the person signing this letter,
- 21 again, is Ms. Amber Candela-Cooney, the same signatory
- 22 to the other letter.
- 23 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: All right.
- 24 WITNESS WOMACK: Again, this is not written on
- 25 letterhead. Again, I submitted this to kind of show

- 1 this is what I'm dealing with. This is where she claims
- 2 I don't have a seepage problem because Seep 6 works.
- 3 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: All right. All
- 4 right. So let's get to a question, Mr. Mizell.
- 5 MR. MIZELL: So I'll restate the previous
- 6 question. Looking at CCLP-40, isn't it true the
- 7 Department granted a temporary entry permit to CCLP to
- 8 repair their drainage system, your drainage system?
- 9 WITNESS WOMACK: DWR DFD sent me a letter with
- 10 a TEP asking me to repair their drainage pipes.
- 11 My father is sitting here. If you would like
- 12 to ask him about drainage pipes, I would suggest you ask
- 13 him because he was there when they were installed. This
- 14 would be a perfect time to get this on the record and
- 15 get this cleared because I don't -- the fact that DWR's
- 16 memory does not go back 50 years, it's alarming.
- 17 MR. MIZELL: I move to strike that last
- 18 response as non-responsive.
- 19 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: So noted. Is there
- 20 a question pending, Mr. Mizell?
- 21 MS. MORRIS: Looking at the top of this letter,
- 22 it says, ". . .in response to our meeting of
- 23 June 27th. . ."
- 24 Is it your contention that you did not meet
- 25 with anybody from DWR?

1 WITNESS WOMACK: No one from CCLP met. When I

- 2 received this letter, I was shocked. We immediately
- 3 wrote a letter in response.
- 4 MS. MORRIS: Isn't it true that you have a
- 5 tenant farmer?
- 6 WITNESS WOMACK: I have a tenant farmer, yes.
- 7 I'm a landowner with a tenant farmer.
- 8 MS. MORRIS: And are you aware that your tenant
- 9 farmer regularly coordinates with DWR, Field Staff
- 10 Division?
- 11 WITNESS WOMACK: You know what? What he does
- 12 is entirely his own work. But that is -- that would be
- 13 like asking a renter things about my rental property.
- 14 I'm the owner. This is who you should deal with.
- MS. MORRIS: That's not my question. And I'm
- 16 sorry, but I'm just trying to be precise here so we can
- move on.
- 18 Is it possible that your tenant farmer met with
- 19 DWR?
- 20 WITNESS WOMACK: I have no idea. But this is
- 21 not -- they said "CCLP," which should be the people.
- 22 They're -- we're the landowners.
- 23 MS. MORRIS: Did you ask your tenant farmer --
- 24 WITNESS WOMACK: No.
- 25 MS. MORRIS: -- if he's ever had any meetings

- 1 with DWR?
- 2 WITNESS WOMACK: Why would I do that? I am --
- 3 I am --
- 4 MS. MORRIS: I'm asking you the questions.
- 5 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Hold on.
- 6 MS. MORRIS: Have you or have you not asked
- 7 your tenant farmer if he's had meetings with DWR?
- 8 WITNESS WOMACK: Have I asked "if you've had
- 9 meetings" -- I may have asked, certainly.
- MS. MORRIS: What was --
- 11 WITNESS WOMACK: They live --
- 12 MS. MORRIS: -- his --
- 13 WITNESS WOMACK: -- next --
- MS. MORRIS: -- response?
- 15 WITNESS WOMACK: -- door.
- I don't recall at this point.
- 17 MS. MORRIS: So your testimony is that you are
- 18 unaware of your tenant farmer ever having any meetings
- 19 with the Department of Water Resources?
- 20 WITNESS WOMACK: No, I didn't say that. I just
- 21 don't know. My tenant farmer has 2500 acres. We're
- 22 500; we're one fifth. We don't have a lot of time.
- 23 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: All right.
- 24 WITNESS WOMACK: I just -- I'm a landowner.
- 25 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: All right. All

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- 1 right.
- 2 WITNESS WOMACK: I have water rights.
- 3 MS. MORRIS: I don't think there's an answer,
- 4 but I'm going to go back to CCLP-32.
- Is it your contention, Ms. Womack, that you
- 6 never called anybody at Department of Water Resources on
- 7 or before February 24th, 2017 regarding an issue of 25
- 8 acres on your property?
- 9 WITNESS WOMACK: You know, I have -- we have
- 10 had many -- many -- I have years of letters. They're
- 11 regarding all sorts of problems. This was this past --
- 12 this was that year. This was to do with seepage. This
- 13 was to do with six-inch seepage.
- 14 MS. MORRIS: So the question, though, is
- 15 whether or not you recall if you made a phone call and
- 16 discussed this issue on or before February 14, 2017
- 17 regarding this issue.
- 18 WITNESS WOMACK: Oh, I absolutely called and
- 19 asked about -- about seepage.
- 20 MS. MORRIS: And do you remember who you spoke
- 21 to?
- 22 WITNESS WOMACK: I spoke to several people to
- 23 get there. I may have spoke to Amber at some point. I
- 24 spoke with several people though because that was when
- 25 there -- every month there was a new director after my

- 1 dear friend Diana went -- retired. This was a period
- 2 when it took several weeks to get the right person.
- 3 MS. MORRIS: Do you recall writing a letter on
- 4 April 11th, 2017 to Director Croyle?
- 5 WITNESS WOMACK: I've written many letters,
- 6 yes.
- 7 MS. MORRIS: So you do recall writing about
- 8 this same issue about the 25 acres to Director Croyle?
- 9 WITNESS WOMACK: I -- you know, this is --
- 10 yeah, this is happening during the floods of 2017,
- 11 when --
- MS. MORRIS: I'm sorry.
- 13 WITNESS WOMACK: When the forebay is closed.
- 14 MS. MORRIS: I'm sorry. I'm not trying to -- I
- 15 really am not trying --
- 16 WITNESS WOMACK: I'm not either.
- 17 MS. MORRIS: -- to cut you off. But I'm trying
- 18 to ask questions, and it's really important for the
- 19 record that your answer be in response --
- 20 WITNESS WOMACK: But --
- 21 MS. MORRIS: -- to the question that --
- 22 WITNESS WOMACK: -- nothing is --
- MS. MORRIS: -- I'm asking.
- 24 WITNESS WOMACK: -- black and white.
- 25 MS. MORRIS: I understand nothing is black or

- 1 white, but some of --
- 2 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Ms. Morris.
- 3 MS. MORRIS: -- these questions are --
- 4 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Ms. Morris, please
- 5 just ask the questions.
- 6 MS. MORRIS: I'm trying.
- 7 So let me go back and ask again. Do you recall
- 8 sending an April 11th, 2017 letter to Bill Croyle
- 9 director at the time for Department of Water Resources
- 10 describing --
- 11 WITNESS WOMACK: Yes, I received that letter.
- MS. MORRIS: -- 25 acres?
- 13 WITNESS WOMACK: This was at that point, yes.
- 14 I was very concerned.
- MS. MORRIS: And isn't it true that, on May
- 16 26th, 2017, as you've marked CCLP-63, that the
- 17 Department of Water Resources looked into the landowner
- 18 seepage concerns?
- 19 WITNESS WOMACK: Yes, they did.
- 20 It should be noted --
- 21 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Hold on.
- 22 WITNESS WOMACK: Okay. Sorry.
- 23 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: If there's any
- 24 further clarification you need to provide, Mr. Emrick
- 25 will do that on redirect.

- 1 Ms. Des Jardins.
- MS. DES JARDINS: Yes. The Hearing Officers
- 3 have stricken Ms. Womack's testimony on seepage. And
- 4 there is very detailed cross-examination of letters on
- 5 seepage and response. This is specifically referring to
- 6 a letter that was not admitted as an exhibit because it
- 7 was ruled as beyond the scope.
- 8 The seepage has been ruled beyond the scope.
- 9 And to allow questions by Ms. Morris on seepage, it --
- 10 there has to be a consistent ruling on scope for this
- 11 not to be arbitrary. And if she is allowed to ask
- 12 questions on seepage, then to not be arbitrary, I would
- 13 like to be able to ask follow-up questions.
- 14 These are issues which we're -- we tried to
- 15 explore, and -- the adequacy of DWR's response, and it
- 16 was ruled beyond the scope.
- 17 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Ms. Morris, you may
- 18 respond.
- 19 MS. MORRIS: I'm not intending to ask questions
- 20 about the seepage issue but rather the understanding of
- 21 the communications and the back and forth, and that's
- 22 what I'm trying to explore.
- 23 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: That's my
- 24 understanding.
- 25 Objection overruled.

- 1 Proceed to your next question, please.
- 2 WITNESS WOMACK: Because this is what they said
- 3 not to allow. I couldn't talk on this.
- 4 MR. MIZELL: If we could bring up CCLP-63,
- 5 please.
- 6 WITNESS WOMACK: This is what I wasn't allowed
- 7 to present.
- 8 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: The purpose here,
- 9 aside --
- 10 WITNESS WOMACK: I was --
- 11 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Ms. Womack, aside
- 12 from the very specific seepage discussion, you have
- 13 introduced evidence that, in your opinion, attests to
- 14 the lack of communication --
- 15 WITNESS WOMACK: No.
- 16 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: -- between yourself
- 17 and the Department. And that is what they are
- 18 exploring, not the specific issue, but the communication
- 19 chain.
- 20 WITNESS WOMACK: Okay. So it won't be about
- 21 anything to do with seepage or the desiccation or
- 22 anything that I was not allowed to bring in? Yes?
- 23 Okay.
- 24 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: They are only
- 25 pursuing the communication --

- 1 WITNESS WOMACK: Okay.
- 2 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: -- and
- 3 demonstrating -- or I think they're trying to
- 4 demonstrate that there was communication back and forth
- 5 with you.
- 6 WITNESS WOMACK: Absolutely.
- 7 MR. EMRICK: So just for my clarification, this
- 8 was previously stricken and not allowed into evidence.
- 9 MR. MIZELL: Just to make things easier, I'm
- 10 going to withdraw the question about CCLP-63. We will
- 11 do it through a different document.
- 12 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Okay.
- Can we bring up CCLP-60, please.
- 14 Oh, sorry. Not CCLP-60. DWR- -- DWR-936.
- 15 So, Ms. Womack, is this a -- is this a superior
- 16 court judgment?
- 17 WITNESS WOMACK: My father can answer these
- 18 questions.
- 19 WITNESS MOORE: Looks like it.
- 20 WITNESS WOMACK: Yeah. Speak into the
- 21 microphone.
- 22 WITNESS MOORE: It appears to be so.
- 23 MR. MIZELL: And in the defendants' portion of
- 24 the caption, Mr. Moore, is your name in the defendants'
- 25 portion of that caption?

- 1 WITNESS WOMACK: We were certainly involved in
- 2 that because I had a lifetime lease on the property.
- 3 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Ms. Womack, if you
- 4 could please pull the microphone to Mr. Moore. Pull the
- 5 microphone to him.
- 6 WITNESS MOORE: You know, I would say this. I
- 7 had a -- since -- let's see, I must -- I'm named on
- 8 there. I had a lifetime -- I had a lifetime lease on
- 9 the property.
- 10 MR. MIZELL: Okay. If we can move to Page 4,
- 11 please. Focusing your attention on Lines 7 through 11,
- 12 does this portion of the settlement state that you've
- 13 been paid for any and all damages to your property
- 14 suffered by reason of the construction of Clifton Court
- 15 Forebay?
- 16 WITNESS MOORE: It never happened.
- 17 MR. MIZELL: Are you claiming this judgment
- 18 never happened?
- 19 WITNESS MOORE: Never happened.
- 20 MR. MIZELL: This judgment never happened?
- 21 WITNESS MOORE: We weren't made whole, never.
- 22 MR. MIZELL: If we scroll to the bottom of Page
- 23 5, please.
- Is this judgment signed by a superior court
- judge and dated December 15th, 1970?

- 1 WITNESS MOORE: That's what it says there.
- 2 MR. MIZELL: So would you like to revise your
- 3 statement that this judgment never happened?
- 4 WITNESS MOORE: I would make the statement that
- 5 it was never fully carried out. It was partially,
- 6 partially carried out but not fully.
- 7 MR. MIZELL: If we could go to Page 8, please.
- 8 And scrolling down to the final list of four
- 9 signatures on the left.
- 10 Mr. Moore, is your signature found on this
- 11 page?
- 12 WITNESS MOORE: It is.
- MR. MIZELL: So based upon this document, isn't
- 14 it true that CCLP has already been compensated for any
- 15 injuries that you may claim due to the construction of
- 16 Clifton Court Forebay?
- 17 WITNESS WOMACK: Go ahead.
- 18 WITNESS MOORE: No, they were never --
- 19 MR. EMRICK: I'm going to object that it calls
- 20 for a legal conclusion. Obviously what you've shown in
- 21 this document does not go to negative -- excuse me, to
- 22 negligent maintenance; it doesn't go to omissions; it
- 23 doesn't go to negligent operations. It only goes to the
- 24 construction of the forebay.
- 25 MR. MIZELL: I believe that's an objection, so

- 1 I'm waiting for a ruling.
- 2 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: What was your
- 3 question again?
- 4 MR. MIZELL: Whether or not this document --
- 5 isn't it true that CCLP has already been compensated for
- 6 any injuries that you may claim due the construction of
- 7 Clifton Court Forebay?
- 8 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: I believe he's
- 9 answered that several times that, in his opinion, they
- 10 have not been.
- 11 WITNESS WOMACK: Yeah, CCLP has not been. My
- 12 grandfather was compensated.
- 13 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Mr. Mizell, there's
- 14 a difference between not completely --
- 15 WITNESS WOMACK: I just --
- 16 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Hold on.
- 17 -- about asking him what his understanding is
- 18 versus what his legal interpretation of this document
- 19 is. He has answered it in terms of what he understands,
- 20 so we'll have to leave it at that.
- MR. MIZELL: That's -- very good.
- 22 Isn't it true that DWR and CCLP have been
- 23 engaged in negotiations for the purchase of your land
- 24 prior to the most recent SEIR?
- 25 WITNESS WOMACK: We've had negotiations with

- 1 the CVP under CalFed. We were asked to a meeting with
- 2 Sergio Valles and a few other people. There were no DWR
- 3 people there that I know of. So, no, we've engaged in
- 4 zero. There has been nothing.
- 5 MR. MIZELL: You never engaged in conversations
- 6 with DWR --
- 7 WITNESS WOMACK: Conversations? No.
- 8 MR. MIZELL: -- for the purchase of CCLP?
- 9 WITNESS WOMACK: 2004? No, no. We had -- we
- 10 had CalFed. We were almost ready to sell with CalFed,
- 11 and then the bombings happened and the market fell and
- 12 there was no money. So Calfed went away. That was the
- 13 last time we were in any sort of thing.
- I thin -- you are a DWR person. I --
- MS. MORRIS: Isn't it true, Ms. Womack, that
- 16 DWR had discussion with you recently regarding WaterFix
- 17 and the purchase of your property and, in fact, made you
- 18 an offer?
- 19 WITNESS WOMACK: No.
- 20 MS. MORRIS: And your testimony is also that
- 21 you didn't counteroffer on that?
- 22 WITNESS WOMACK: No.
- MS. MORRIS: So you've had --
- 24 WITNESS WOMACK: We met in 2012, I believe,
- 25 with Sergio Valles. I don't believe he's --

1 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: All right. All

- 2 right. It has been asked and answered, and your 40
- 3 minutes is up. Is there much more you need to ask?
- 4 MR. MIZELL: No, that will conclude our
- 5 cross-examination.
- 6 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Thank you.
- 7 WITNESS WOMACK: Goodness.
- 8 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: I believe LAND and
- 9 DDJ- Ms. Des Jardins have also requested cross. I'll
- 10 leave it to you to determine who goes next.
- 11 All right. Ms. Des Jardins requested 10
- 12 minutes for cross.
- MS. DES JARDINS: Yes, and I'm hoping it will
- 14 take less than that.
- 15 CROSS-EXAMINATION BY MS. DES JARDINS
- MS. DES JARDINS: I'd like to pull up Exhibit
- 17 CCLP-62, please. Page 7. And please scroll down to
- 18 where it's highlighted.
- 19 Ms. Womack, so if this contract states, "United
- 20 States agrees to transport and convey through said canal
- 21 to the pump constructed by Vendor. Said Vendor's
- 22 riparian" --
- 23 THE REPORTER: I'm sorry. You have to slow
- 24 down, please.
- 25 MS. DES JARDINS: ". . .said canal to the pump

- 1 constructed by Vendor said Vendor's riparian,
- 2 appropriative, or prescriptive waters."
- 3 Has Reclamation ever discussed with you
- 4 providing water from -- conveyed from the North Delta
- 5 intakes when the -- that supply might be blocked?
- 6 WITNESS WOMACK: No. We've had -- CVP has not
- 7 met with us at all regarding our water and what will
- 8 happen to it with this California WaterFix. We've had
- 9 no conversations. Of course, I -- I get things in
- 10 writing, and we've had no writing either.
- 11 MS. DES JARDINS: Have they ever offered -- had
- 12 any discussions or offered to amend this contract to
- 13 provide a substitute water supply?
- 14 WITNESS WOMACK: Absolutely not.
- 15 MS. DES JARDINS: Has DWR ever offered to amend
- 16 this contract to -- to provide you a contract to provide
- 17 you a supply?
- 18 WITNESS WOMACK: Absolutely not.
- 19 MS. DES JARDINS: And I'd like to go to I
- 20 believe it's -- was it Exhibit DWR-963, please?
- 21 WITNESS WOMACK: I think it's 936. It's the
- 22 judgment. That one, yeah.
- MS. DES JARDINS: DWR-936.
- 24 WITNESS WOMACK: Yes.
- 25 MS. DES JARDINS: And I wanted to ask you your

- 1 dad.
- 2 When you were negotiating the terms of this
- 3 contract, the terms -- the settlement terms for this
- 4 judgment, hadn't DWR obtained some of your property
- 5 through some kind of action? Or didn't --
- 6 WITNESS WOMACK: Do you want to answer that?
- 7 WITNESS MOORE: I don't think I understand.
- 8 MS. DES JARDINS: Yeah. Were you under extreme
- 9 stress when you negotiated the terms of this contract?
- 10 WITNESS WOMACK: My father was not involved in
- 11 any negotiations. My grandfather was a great
- 12 negotiator.
- MS. DES JARDINS: Okay.
- 14 WITNESS WOMACK: And he -- my father was the
- 15 tenant farmer.
- MS. DES JARDINS: Okay. Thank you.
- 17 WITNESS WOMACK: He did not have any rights to
- 18 negotiate.
- 19 MS. DES JARDINS: That concludes my questions.
- 20 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Thank you.
- Ms. Meserve?
- MS. MESERVE: No questions.
- 23 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Mr. Emrick, any
- 24 redirect?
- 25 MR. EMRICK: Can I take just a second?

- 1 (Sotto voce discussion between Ms. Womack
- 2 and Mr. Emrick)
- 3 WITNESS WOMACK: Let's get that in the record.
- 4 MR. EMRICK: Yes, so --
- 5 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: On what issue?
- 6 MR. EMRICK: This is going to be on the May
- 7 2017 meeting at the property.
- 8 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Okay.
- 9 (Sotto voce discussion between Ms. Womack
- 10 and Mr. Emrick)
- 11 MR. EMRICK: Well, do you have -- you didn't
- 12 have a meeting?
- 13 WITNESS WOMACK: No.
- 14 MR. EMRICK: But somebody came -- DWR visited
- 15 the property on -- in May 2017?
- 16 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Hold on.
- 17 Are we recording this?
- 18 THE REPORTER: Kind of. The next thing I have
- 19 is "DWR visited the property in May 2017."
- 20 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Yes. Mr. Emrick is
- 21 not testifying.
- MR. EMRICK: I'm asking the question.
- 23 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: You're asking the
- 24 question, so hold on.
- 25 So your request for redirect is to clarify

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- 1 whether there was a meeting on --
- 2 WITNESS WOMACK: In May, yes. There was not.
- 3 I had sent a letter to Director Croyle. And I would --
- 4 at some point in May, there was an engineering report
- 5 which is CCLP-63.
- 6 MR. EMRICK: And that was stricken. But the --
- 7 there was an investigation that was performed by DWR in
- 8 May of 2017 of the seepage; is that correct?
- 9 WITNESS WOMACK: Eventually I found that out I
- 10 didn't find this out until January of 2018.
- 11 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: All right. Stop
- 12 right there.
- 13 Mr. Mizell. No?
- 14 MR. MIZELL: I'm just prepared in case we go
- 15 further.
- 16 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Continue, please.
- 17 MR. EMRICK: And there was -- your
- 18 understanding was that a report was prepared as a result
- 19 of that investigation; is that correct?
- 20 WITNESS WOMACK: Yes. I should clarify, too.
- 21 The --
- 22 MR. EMRICK: When did you get that report?
- 23 WITNESS WOMACK: I received the report in
- 24 January of 2018.
- MR. EMRICK: Did that report suggest certain

- 1 remediations of the property?
- 2 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Now there's going to
- 3 be Mr. Mizell.
- 4 MR. MIZELL: Yes. I'd like to object. He's
- 5 going beyond the scope of our cross-examination.
- 6 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Sustained
- 7 MR. EMRICK: But you did not receive the report
- 8 until January of 2018?
- 9 WITNESS WOMACK: Yes.
- 10 MR. EMRICK: Okay. That's all I have. Thank
- 11 you.
- 12 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Thank you.
- 13 Any recross?
- MR. MIZELL: No, thank you.
- 15 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: All right. At this
- 16 time, I believe you have exhibits to move. And I
- 17 believe, Mr. Mizell, you had indicated earlier you had
- 18 objections to exhibits? Shall we hear your objections
- 19 first, Mr. Mizell?
- 20 And actually, before you begin, how lengthy are
- 21 these objections?
- 22 MR. MIZELL: I believe that many of them you
- 23 will be able to deal with today. They are objections
- 24 that are being put onto the record simply for
- 25 completeness. But based upon our discussions this

1 morning, I expect the answer to be quite obvious to us

- 2 all.
- 3 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Well, we shall see.
- 4 Proceed, please.
- 5 MR. MIZELL: Okay. Let me get my copy of the
- 6 testimony. Please hold on.
- 7 So I'd like to raise an objection to CCLP-61.
- 8 It is referenced within Mr. Moore's statement of
- 9 qualifications, but it deals with seepage, so I'm
- 10 raising objection that it's of out of scope,
- 11 recognizing, however, that you overruled the motion to
- 12 strike this morning.
- 13 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: And so you are --
- 14 MR. MIZELL: So, for the record, I would just
- 15 like to know if you will be admitting CCLP-61 over an
- 16 objection of out of scope? Essentially, I just need to
- 17 confirm this morning's rulings as they affect these
- 18 exhibits. So if we were leaving it in the testimony, I
- 19 would expect my objection to be overruled.
- 20 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Your objection is
- 21 overruled.
- MR. MIZELL: Okay.
- 23 I have an objection to CCLP-63, 64 -- 63 and 64
- 24 as being beyond the scope dealing with seepage. Those
- 25 are within the struck testimony.

1 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: That would be 64,

- 2 correct?
- 3 MR. MIZELL: And CCLP-63. CCLP-63 is
- 4 referenced, Page 9, Line 20. And 64 is Page 9, Line 22.
- 5 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: All right. They are
- 6 so removed.
- 7 (Sotto voce discussion between Ms. Womack
- and Mr. Emrick)
- 9 WITNESS WOMACK: Well, it's not seepage. It's
- 10 to do with a failure. It's a dam failure. Seepage --
- 11 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: It is in the section
- 12 that was struck this morning.
- 13 WITNESS WOMACK: Well, but it's dam failure.
- 14 He's saying it's -- the wall's failing.
- 15 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: It's in the section
- 16 that was struck this morning.
- 17 WITNESS WOMACK: Wow, okay.
- 18 MR. MIZELL: Then we're objecting to CCLP-65
- 19 through 68. They're referenced in the testimony on
- 20 Page 11 with regards to the conversations, the letter
- 21 exchanges between DWR and CCLP. We've again objecting
- 22 to those as discussing existing facilities and outside
- 23 the scope.
- 24 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: And overruled.
- MR. MIZELL: I do appreciate your patience.

- 1 This is just something I have to do for the record.
- 2 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: It's a lawyer thing,
- 3 isn't it?
- 4 MR. MIZELL: It is. We like to be annoying
- 5 sometimes.
- 6 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Is that all,
- 7 Mr. Mizell?
- 8 MR. MIZELL: Similarly, we object to CCLP-62.
- 9 This is within Mr. Moore's statement of qualifications.
- 10 We believe this is outside the scope.
- 11 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Similarly, it is
- 12 overruled.
- 13 MR. MIZELL: CCLP-69, again, within Mr. Moore's
- 14 statement of qualifications, we believe it's outside the
- 15 scope.
- 16 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Overruled.
- 17 MR. MIZELL: And then the reference to CCLP-40
- 18 found in the testimony, CCLP-40 was previously ruled
- 19 beyond the scope of Part 2 in a June 18th ruling.
- 20 For Mr. Deeringer's purposes, that's on Page 2
- 21 of that ruling. In that ruling, you indicated that
- 22 CCLP-40 does not relate to the WaterFix project or any
- 23 part to key hearing issues. So we would object to that
- 24 exhibit as beyond the scope.
- 25 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: I'm sorry. Where in

- 1 CCLP-60 is that reference?
- 2 MR. EMRICK: Page 11.
- 3 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: This was introduced
- 4 for the purpose of the communication argument that
- 5 Ms. Womack made.
- 6 WITNESS WOMACK: Yes.
- 7 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: So the objection was
- 8 overruled.
- 9 MR. MIZELL: Thank you very much. And thank
- 10 you for your patience.
- 11 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: So what does that
- 12 leave us with, Mr. Emrick? I hope you were keeping
- 13 track.
- 14 WITNESS WOMACK: I think we're just missing 63
- 15 and 64. So we would like -- well, go ahead.
- MR. EMRICK: No --
- 17 WITNESS WOMACK: Oh, we would like to move into
- 18 evidence everything except CCLP-63 and 64.
- 19 So 60, 61, 62, 65, 66, 67, 68, and 69. And my
- 20 testimony -- oh, no. My testimony is 60.
- 21 MR. EMRICK: Yes, it is.
- 22 WITNESS WOMACK: Okay. And my testimony -- I
- 23 don't know these things.
- 24 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: All right. Thank
- 25 you. Those have been received.

- 1 (Protestant Clifton Court Forebay exhibits
- 2 CCLP-60 through CCLP-62 and CCLP-64 through
- 3 CCLP-69 admitted into evidence)
- 4 Thank you, Mr. Moore. Thank you, Mr. Womack --
- 5 WITNESS WOMACK: Thank you for your time.
- 6 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Ms. Womack.
- 7 WITNESS WOMACK: That's okay.
- 8 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: And thank you,
- 9 Mr. Emrick.
- 10 Let us take a short break, and we will do a
- 11 musical chairs and ask Mr. Bednarski and Dr. Chilmakuri
- 12 to come up.
- 13 We will return at 2:50 -- 55.
- 14 (Recess taken)
- 15 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: All right. It's
- 16 2:55. We're back. Before we turn to DWR's witnesses.
- 17 Ms. Ansley, Mr. Emrick, Ms. Ansley had previously said
- 18 she had some objections with respect to Dr. Paulsen's
- 19 testimony. And let me confirm with Ms. Meserve, now
- 20 that she's back, that although you requested time to
- 21 cross-examination Dr. Paulsen, you do not object to the
- 22 agreement reached between Antioch and petitioners to not
- 23 require Dr. Paulsen to appear?
- MS. MESERVE: Correct.
- 25 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Thank you. So

- 1 stated for the record.
- Now, Ms. Ansley, your objections.
- 3 MS. ANSLEY: Yes. My objections for the record
- 4 are it's my understanding of the September 10th, 2018
- 5 ruling that the Hearing Officers discourage repetitive
- 6 rebuttal evidence that provides no new evidence.
- 7 And it is my objection that Opinions 1 and 2 of
- 8 Dr. Paulsen's surrebuttal testimony, which is
- 9 Antioch-700, are wholly repetitive of the testimony
- 10 provided in Antioch's case in chief, Antioch 500-Errata,
- 11 and then in Part 2 Rebuttal, Antioch 600.
- 12 While she does purport to be responding to
- 13 Dr. Chilmakuri's testimony, what she is doing in
- 14 Opinions 1 and 2 is merely resummarizing her conclusions
- 15 from Antioch 500 and Antioch 600, using the same charts
- 16 from Antioch 600 and expressly referencing that that's
- 17 what she's doing with that.
- 18 Aside from her repetition of her earlier
- 19 testimony, she provided no new evidence or rebuttal to
- 20 the testimony of Dr. Chilmakuri that was not already
- 21 laid out. I am not extending this objection to her
- 22 third opinion, just to make sure that's clear for the
- 23 record. I am talking only about Opinions 1 and 2 of
- 24 Dr. Paulsen's testimony, Antioch 700. And I'm happy to
- 25 give page cites for that.

- 1 That would be starting on Page -- I believe
- 2 it's Page 3, Line 2 with the title "Opinion 1," going
- 3 through Page 8, Line 24.
- 4 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Response,
- 5 Mr. Emrick.
- 6 MR. EMRICK: Well, my response is to -- first
- 7 thing I want to ask is is this in addition to
- 8 Ms. Morris's objections or is this a separate objection?
- 9 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: I don't believe
- 10 Ms. Morris had any objection.
- 11 MR. EMRICK: She told me she would have an
- 12 objection to Dr. Paulsen's that she --
- MS. ANSLEY: I believe that --
- MR. EMRICK: -- was going to bring up on
- Monday.
- 16 MS. ANSLEY: I apologize for interrupting you.
- 17 I believe that what she was doing was reserving
- 18 my right to make objections, over the phone, which she
- 19 knew that I had. We coordinate, and so I have the
- 20 objections for Dr. Paulsen here.
- 21 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: So these would be
- 22 objections on behalf of DWR and State Water Contractors?
- MR. MIZELL: That's correct.
- 24 MR. EMRICK: So my second statement would be
- 25 that I don't have that testimony in front of me. I

- 1 just -- you know.
- 2 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: You were focused
- 3 today on other matters.
- 4 MR. EMRICK: If I could reply to that objection
- 5 Monday morning.
- 6 MS. ANSLEY: Or I'm happy to provide the
- 7 testimony -- I'm happy to provide the testimony on my
- 8 computer, too. If you would like to show up Monday
- 9 morning, that's fine.
- 10 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Let's do this.
- 11 Since Dr. Paulsen is not appearing, in any case,
- 12 regardless of our ruling on this matter, do you need
- 13 Ms. Ansley to submit her objection in writing?
- MR. EMRICK: If she could just send me an
- 15 e-mail, that'd be fantastic.
- 16 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: And she'll have to
- 17 send everybody the e-mail.
- 18 But please do that, Ms. Ansley by -- I don't
- 19 know what time we'll finish today, so how about by noon
- on Monday.
- MS. ANSLEY: Sure.
- 22 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Unless you can do it
- 23 today.
- MS. ANSLEY: I can see if I can sit here and
- 25 craft something, and we'll see if it can be served --

- 1 I'm not usually -- I'm not one of the people who --
- 2 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: You know what?
- 3 Let's just have you submit it by noon on Monday.
- 4 Mr. Emrick, you may have until noon on Tuesday to
- 5 respond.
- 6 MR. EMRICK: Thank you very much. We are not
- 7 going to have further proceedings on Monday?
- 8 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: I don't know yet.
- 9 MR. EMRICK: Okay.
- 10 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: It depends on how
- 11 today goes.
- MR. EMRICK: Thank you.
- 13 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: In any case, we also
- 14 have Mr. Burke still left to hear from.
- 15 All right. I think that takes care of matters
- 16 for now. And before I forget though, if we do reconvene
- 17 next week, I believe there's been a change in location.
- 18 Yes, instead of Byron Sher, we will now be in
- 19 the Coastal Hearing room. All right. I just wanted to
- 20 before I forget.
- Now we will turn to Ms. Ansley and Mr. Mizell.
- JOHN BEDNARSKI and CHANDRA CHILMAKURI,
- 23 called as Part 2 Surrebuttal witnesses
- 24 by Petitioner California Department of
- 25 Water Resources, having been previously

- duly sworn, were examined and testified
- 2 further as hereinafter set forth:
- 3 DIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. MIZELL and MS. ANSLEY
- 4 MR. MIZELL: Thank you. So in response to your
- 5 ruling to have DWR produce witnesses and testimony in
- 6 response to questions about CCLP's water right, we have
- 7 produced Mr. John Bednarski and Dr. Chandra Chilmakuri.
- 8 They have all appeared before you in earlier portions of
- 9 this hearing and sworn in in those proceedings. So I
- 10 won't ask them to rise at this time but simply attest to
- 11 the surrebuttal testimony, and then I'll turn to
- 12 microphone over to them as is our practice.
- 13 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Thank you.
- 14 MR. MIZELL: Mr. Bednarski, is DWR-1217 a true
- 15 and correct copy of your surrebuttal testimony?
- 16 WITNESS BEDNARSKI: Yes, it is.
- 17 MR. MIZELL: Dr. Chilmakuri is DWR-1421 a true
- 18 and correct copy of your surrebuttal testimony?
- 19 WITNESS CHILMAKURI: Yes, it is.
- 20 MR. MIZELL: Thank you. So we will start with
- 21 Mr. Bednarski, and after he has completed his summary,
- 22 we will turn it over to Dr. Chilmakuri.
- Mr. Bednarski?
- 24 WITNESS BEDNARSKI: Thank you. I'm going to
- 25 take a few minutes to summarize my testimony, DWR-1417.

1 Could we go to DWR-1305, Sheet 55 of 96. I'd

- 2 like to take just a couple minutes to review the
- 3 facilities in the South Delta that are now included as
- 4 part of the California WaterFix with the Supplemental
- 5 EIR/EIS and the July 2018 CER.
- 6 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Let's wait until we
- 7 get it up.
- 8 WITNESS BEDNARSKI: Yes, absolutely.
- 9 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: So that's DWR-1305,
- 10 what page?
- 11 WITNESS BEDNARSKI: Sheet 55 of 96. It should
- 12 be down in the bottom right there. The sheet numbering
- 13 I don't have the PDF page number. There we go.
- 14 Okay. In front of us here is an overview of
- 15 the facilities at the south end of the California
- 16 WaterFix facilities. Starting at the upper left, we
- 17 have the two main tunnels. We'll be entering into the
- 18 Byron Tract Forebay, basically shown as that trapezoidal
- 19 shape there, triangular shape. At that location, there
- 20 are two pump stations, each 4500 cfs that will lift the
- 21 water into the Byron Tract Forebay.
- 22 There is a range of water surface operating in
- 23 elevations that will be established during preliminary
- 24 and final design to set the final hydraulic gradient
- 25 available coming out of the Byron Tract Forebay. Water

- 1 will then flow through a series of gates at the south
- 2 end of the Byron Tract Forebay by gravity into the two
- 3 south tunnels, each one about one and a half miles long.
- 4 The water will then well up in the connection
- 5 channel that's shown in yellow here, that is on the
- 6 south side of Byron Highway.
- 7 At this point, the water from the North Delta
- 8 diversions can flow either to the Jones intake channel,
- 9 or the DMC as others call it, or it can also flow to the
- 10 Banks intake channel.
- 11 With the facilities that we are providing here,
- 12 there are four control structures that allow us to
- 13 operate in three different modes of operation. And
- 14 those control structures on this drawing are labeled as
- 15 Control Structure No. 1, which is on the intake to the
- 16 Banks Plant, that yellow square. We also have Control
- 17 Structure No. 2 that's located on the Jones intake
- 18 channel and is shown as this yellow square over there.
- 19 It's the ones that are the subject of our discussion
- 20 here today.
- 21 And then inside that yellow connection channel,
- 22 there are also two control structures there, Control
- 23 Structure 3, which leads into the Banks intake channel,
- 24 and Control Structure No. 4, that allows water to flow
- 25 into the Jones intake channel.

1 With these four control structures, we are able

- 2 to operate in three different types of modes of
- 3 operation. The first is North Delta Diversions only.
- 4 And under that mode of operation, Control Structures 1
- 5 and 2 gates will be fully open. And Control Structure
- 6 No. 3 and 4, those gates will be closed. And water will
- 7 flow much as it does today into the Jones and the Banks
- 8 plants with those gates fully open.
- 9 It will be our goal to design a structure
- 10 and -- a gated structure that minimizes the amount of
- 11 head loss or energy loss through each of those
- 12 structures. And the reason for this is that we have
- 13 relatively tight operating windows of water surface
- 14 elevations at both of those pumping plants, and we want
- 15 to maintain those current operating conditions into the
- 16 future.
- 17 The second mode of operation -- I'm sorry.
- 18 That mode of operation that I just described is the
- 19 South Delta Diversions.
- 20 The second mode of operation would be for the
- 21 North Delta Diversions. And under this mode of
- 22 operation, the gates in Control Structure 1 and 2 would
- 23 be closed, and the gates at Control Structures 3 and 4
- 24 would be opened. And these gates are what we call
- 25 throttling gates. The water will flow from the Byron

1 Tract Forebay, well up in what we call the South Tunnels

- 2 Outlet Structure.
- 3 And these two control structures will modulate
- 4 to regulate the amount of flow going over to the Jones
- 5 intake channel and the Banks intake channel. As I
- 6 mentioned earlier, gates -- or Control Structures 1 and
- 7 2 will be closed, so there will be no water from the
- 8 South Delta entering.
- 9 The third mode of operation then is what we
- 10 call dual operation, where water from both the North
- 11 Delta Diversions and the South Delta Diversions will be
- 12 blended. Under this mode of operation as we currently
- 13 envision this with our conceptual engineering completed
- 14 to date, Control Structure 1 and 2 gates will be open,
- 15 and then the gates at Control Structures 3 and 4 will be
- 16 modulated to allow a blend, then, of water from the
- 17 north and the south diversions to occur in both the
- 18 Jones intake channel and the Banks intake channel.
- 19 So that is kind of a brief description of the
- 20 three modes of operation. Based on our analysis to
- 21 date, it is my opinion that there will be no impacts to
- 22 the Clifton Court LP water rights either from the
- 23 footprint of the Control Structure No. 2 or from our
- 24 intended diversions under any of these three operating
- 25 modes.

- 1 We still have quite a bit of work --
- 2 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: I'm sorry,
- 3 Mr. Bednarski.
- 4 WITNESS BEDNARSKI: Yes.
- 5 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Let me stop you
- 6 right there.
- 7 Mr. Emrick.
- 8 MR. EMRICK: I'm sorry. I didn't see where any
- 9 of that preceding testimony was in his written
- 10 testimony.
- 11 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Mr. Bednarski?
- 12 WITNESS BEDNARSKI: I believe that's covered in
- 13 the Conceptual Engineering Report.
- 14 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Is it in your
- 15 testimony, however?
- 16 WITNESS BEDNARSKI: The description of the
- 17 operations? I did not go into a detailed description of
- 18 that, but I have referenced the Conceptual Engineering
- 19 Report, I believe, in my testimony.
- 20 MR. MIZELL: And the discussion of the
- 21 operation can be found on Page 3, Section 1(b).
- 22 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Let me locate it.
- 23 I'm sorry. Where is it, Mr. Mizell?
- 24 MR. MIZELL: Page 3, Section 1(b), the little B
- 25 at the top of Page 3 beginning on Line 4, proceeding on

- 1 Line 15.
- 2 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: I see it. All
- 3 right.
- 4 WITNESS BEDNARSKI: Proceed?
- 5 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Proceed.
- 6 WITNESS BEDNARSKI: Okay.
- 7 So we've completed conceptual engineering for
- 8 the California WaterFix facilities. The upcoming
- 9 engineering activities will include detailed hydraulic
- 10 modeling of the entire California WaterFix hydraulic
- 11 facilities starting at both the Jones and the Banks
- 12 plant and working our way back up to the three river
- 13 intakes.
- 14 This information and modeling will be used to
- 15 develop and refine the system hydraulics that will then
- 16 allow us to proceed with the preliminary and final
- 17 design of the control structures and all of the
- 18 facilities that have been highlighted at the south end
- 19 of the California WaterFix.
- 20 If impacts --
- 21 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Hold on, please.
- 22 WITNESS BEDNARSKI: Yes.
- 23 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: We have another
- 24 objection.
- 25 MS. DES JARDINS: I did have an objection to

1 the statement, "We have completed conceptual engineering

- 2 for the WaterFix facilities." I did not see that in
- 3 Mr. Bednarski's written testimony. And it goes
- 4 considerably beyond the scope of impacts to the CCLP's
- 5 water rights.
- 6 MR. MIZELL: The conceptual engineering reports
- 7 have already been put into the record as exhibits from
- 8 DWR. Those reports weren't disputed at that time.
- 9 To the extent that Ms. Des Jardins believes
- 10 that they may be modified in the future, I don't think
- 11 that's what Mr. Bednarski is testifying to. Maybe he
- 12 can clarify. But his references to conceptual
- 13 engineering reports are to the exhibits that are already
- 14 in the record.
- 15 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: And let's narrow it
- 16 down, Mr. Bednarski. Your reference is as they pertain
- 17 to potential impacts to CCLP?
- 18 WITNESS BEDNARSKI: Yes.
- 19 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Let's keep in
- 20 mind -- I think you were here when we had this
- 21 discussion before our lunch break -- that the very
- 22 narrow scope of your testimony is CCLP and CCLP's water
- 23 rights.
- 24 WITNESS BEDNARSKI: Thank you.
- 25 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: So your comments and

- 1 testimony will be taken into that narrow focus.
- 2 WITNESS BEDNARSKI: Very good.
- 3 During the preliminary and final design, if
- 4 impacts to Clifton Court LP's water rights are
- 5 identified, my testimony commits DWR to implementing
- 6 mitigation measures to reduce or eliminate those
- 7 potential impacts. And those have all been outlined in
- 8 my testimony.
- 9 Temporary and permanent impacts will be
- 10 addressed, even if those are identified after start-up
- 11 of the WaterFix facilities.
- 12 That's the completion of my summary.
- 13 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Thank you.
- 14 WITNESS CHILMAKURI: Good afternoon.
- 15 Before I start, I have a one minor typo that
- 16 I'd like to correct for the record.
- 17 On Page 10 of my testimony -- Mr. Long, if you
- 18 can please bring up DWR-1421.
- 19 On Page 10 of my testimony, Line 24, where it
- 20 says -- the sentence that's starting, "Figure 3 is based
- on, " it should say "Figure 5."
- I'll give a brief overview of my written
- 23 testimony here. My testimony is primarily to conclude
- 24 that the operations of the control structure within the
- 25 Jones Intake Channel will not diminish the availability

1 or the conditions of water to CC- -- at CCLP's diversion

- 2 location.
- 3 Mr. Long, could you please bring up Figure 1 on
- 4 Page 2 of my testimony? Thank you.
- 5 As Mr. Bednarski just described, the
- 6 operation -- or potential operations of how the water
- 7 will move through the -- between the Byron Tract
- 8 Forebay, which would be the water that's coming from the
- 9 North Delta Diversions into the -- that would be the new
- 10 source of water that would be pumped from Banks and
- 11 Jones Pumping Plants. And there's water moving from
- 12 South Delta channels directly through Clifton Court
- 13 Forebay and Jones Intake Channel. I just want to --
- 14 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Hold on a second,
- 15 please.
- Ms. Womack.
- 17 MS. WOMACK: Yes. I was wondering where on the
- 18 maps that figure is from that shows the exact location.
- 19 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: You may ask that
- 20 during your cross-examination.
- 21 MS. WOMACK: Oh, sorry about that. I just was
- 22 wondering about that.
- 23 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Please proceed,
- 24 Dr. Chilmakuri.
- 25 WITNESS CHILMAKURI: So I think in order to

- 1 understand the water availability and the conditions,
- 2 this figure is going to help us understand the location
- 3 of Clifton Court LP's diversion location in reference to
- 4 Old River and the proposed changes in the DMC Intake
- 5 Channel.
- 6 So as you can see there, the big blue box
- 7 identifies the area where the -- that would -- that's
- 8 expected to be affected during construction. That's the
- 9 footprint of the control structure that's being
- 10 proposed.
- 11 And the red circle indicates the CCLP's
- 12 diversion location. And I just show with the arrows
- 13 where -- which direction is Old River Channel and which
- 14 direction Jones Pumping Plant is, just to help us
- 15 orient.
- 16 You can see that the proposed control structure
- 17 would go into between the CCLP Diversion Intake and the
- 18 Old River, which are right now tidally connected, as
- 19 Ms. Womack was testifying earlier today.
- 20 And the new Byron Tract Forebay water, the
- 21 South Canal which brings in water from the Byron Tract
- 22 Forebay to the Jones Pumping Plant, that goes in between
- 23 CCLP's diversion point and Jones Pumping Plant.
- 24 So that -- having that in mind is important to
- 25 understand what kind of water will be going past CCLP

- 1 Diversion Intake.
- 2 So as Mr. Bednarski just described, there are
- 3 three modes of operations that are possible. One is
- 4 water -- just like today's conditions, water would be
- 5 directly diverted out of South Delta, and there won't be
- 6 any supply coming from the North Delta Diversions. In
- 7 those conditions, the control structure gates would be
- 8 open, and the CCLP's Diversion Intake will have similar
- 9 conditions as the Old River Channel because those are
- 10 tidally connected. They will continue to be tidally
- 11 connected even after the control structure is built.
- 12 So I expect that the water levels and the water
- 13 quality would be similar to the Old River Channel
- 14 conditions near the junction of the Jones Intake Channel
- 15 and the Old River. We will get to what those conditions
- 16 would be like in a minute.
- 17 The other two operation modes that we talked
- 18 about is either there is a blending operation or an
- 19 isolated operation where the water is coming from North
- 20 Delta Diversions alone.
- 21 In both -- in those situations, the water
- 22 quality at CCLP's intake are expected to be better than
- 23 today's conditions because there will be a -- and if it
- 24 is a blended operation, then the South Delta water will
- 25 be mixing with the water coming from the Sacramento

- 1 River, which is much fresher in terms of salinity. And
- 2 so you would expect that the salinity -- the blended
- 3 salinity would be lower there. And I have results that
- 4 I'll show you in a minute here what I expect those
- 5 results to be.
- 6 And if there is no blending and if the control
- 7 structure is closed, then the supply we expect at the --
- 8 or the water supply that we expect at CCLP's Diversion
- 9 Intake will be of Sacramento River water quality, which
- 10 would be much better than what they are currently
- 11 getting today from the South Delta channels.
- 12 Mr. Long, could you please bring up Figure 2 of
- 13 my testimony, please.
- 14 While that's happening, in the -- previously in
- 15 this hearing, you have heard from Dr. Nader-Tehrani,
- 16 Dr. Smith -- or Ms. Smith, and myself explaining to you
- 17 that the South Delta salinity conditions with WaterFix
- 18 are expected to be similar to the No Action Alternative.
- 19 We have provided extensive testimony to that effect.
- 20 What I did here in Figure 2 is, again,
- 21 demonstrating to you the same point, that in the Old
- 22 River Channel -- this is right near the -- where the
- 23 Jones Intake Channel intersects with the Old River. So
- 24 this is -- so I would expect this water quality at
- 25 CCLP's intake as well, if the control structure is open

- 1 and there is no flow coming from the Byron Tract
- 2 Forebay. So this is -- this would be a -- an existing
- 3 operation, essentially.
- 4 So as shown in this figure, obviously I'm
- 5 presenting a long-term average here, but you can see
- 6 that the salinity conditions are fairly similar. There
- 7 is a slightly higher EC under the CWF H3+ compared the
- 8 No Action. However, if you may recall, I believe in
- 9 Part 1 of these proceedings Dr. Nader-Tehrani explained
- 10 that that increase is primarily due to the Head of Old
- 11 River Gate operations and that affecting the salinities
- 12 in South Delta channels.
- 13 So based on this figure, I expect that, under
- 14 that mode of operation, when the water going into Jones
- 15 Pumping Plant is only originating from South Delta
- 16 channels, the salinities would be similar to the No
- 17 Action Alternative at CCLP's intake.
- 18 Mr. Long, if you can please bring up Figure 4,
- 19 please. Figure 4, Number 4. Page 9. Yeah. Thank you.
- 20 So again, in continuing forward with the same
- 21 mode of operation where the diversions are only from the
- 22 South Delta channels, this figure is showing the water
- 23 levels in the Old River at the junction of the Old River
- 24 and the Jones Intake Channel. And I expect the water
- 25 levels at CCLP's intake would be similar to the water

1 level in Old River as well because they are tidally

- 2 connected.
- 3 And what you see here is that importing the
- 4 daily minimum water levels that are modeled using
- 5 DSM-2 -- and the red line here is for CWF H3+, and blue
- 6 is No Action Alternative. And as you can see in the --
- 7 across the 82-year period, the water levels are very
- 8 similar to No Action or impacts very slightly --
- 9 slightly higher, actually, than No Action Alternative.
- 10 And in this mode of operation, I expect that
- 11 CCLP to continue to see similar water levels as No
- 12 Action Alternative.
- 13 Mr. Long, could you please go to Figure 5. I
- 14 think it's -- thank you.
- 15 Figure 5 here shows the blended water quality
- or blended EC at Jones Pumping Plant. So if the mode of
- 17 operation is going to be -- there's going to be water
- 18 diverted from both South Delta Channels and also from
- 19 the Byron Tract Forebay, the expected water quality in
- 20 the Jones Intake Channel and, by extension, at CCLP's
- 21 intake is that CWF H3+ would actually result in much
- 22 better salinity conditions than the No Action
- 23 Alternative.
- So I'd expect that, under all modes of
- 25 operations, that CCLP should see better water quality

- 1 conditions than No Action Alternative.
- 2 And there was a lot of discussion about my
- 3 responses previously about there's no modeling present
- 4 to help understand what CCLP might face. My -- I just
- 5 wanted to address that a little bit, and I did summarize
- 6 it in my testimony to that effect.
- 7 We use -- all the results I'm presenting here
- 8 are based on DSM-2 modeling, just to be clear. And as I
- 9 said in my previous testimony, the DSM-2 model does not
- 10 have the control structure we are talking about
- 11 explicitly represented in it. The -- however, it
- 12 reflects the operations of that control structure.
- 13 And it is explained -- the way the DSM-2
- 14 boundary conditions are set up is explained in the
- 15 DWR-1142 Appendix 5-A, which is the Biological
- 16 Assessment. And it explains how the different mode of
- 17 operations are considered in developing those boundary
- 18 conditions.
- 19 So if -- for instance, I'll just give you one
- 20 example. If the control structure is going to be
- 21 closed, that means the water supply will come only from
- 22 the North Delta Diversion. In that case, the boundary
- 23 condition in DSM-2 model at the Jones Pumping Plant for
- 24 the export value would be swept to zero. And you can
- 25 check that, but that is how it is represented in the

- 1 model. And I provided references to DSM-2 input files
- 2 in my testimony just to be clear about that.
- 3 And if there is pumping from the South Delta
- 4 Channels, then there is a value for that time series,
- 5 for that boundary condition. So that's how we
- 6 represented it in the model even though the structure
- 7 itself is not explicitly present.
- 8 With that, I conclude my summary.
- 9 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Thank you.
- 10 Mr. Emrick and Ms. Womack, if you could please
- 11 come up.
- 12 MS. WOMACK: For our DSM modeling, I'd like to
- 13 ask Deirdre Des Jardins to help out with the modeling as
- 14 she's much more familiar. Thank you.
- 15 CROSS-EXAMINATION BY MR. EMRICK and MS. WOMACK
- 16 MR. MIZELL: So, Hearing Officer Doduc, if I
- 17 might ask for some clarification. Ms. Des Jardins'
- 18 providing technical support? Is that what was just
- 19 discussed?
- 20 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: That is my
- 21 understanding.
- 22 MR. MIZELL: The questions will be coming from
- 23 Mr. Emrick, the attorney for CCLP?
- 24 MR. EMRICK: They will be coming mostly from
- 25 Ms. Womack, but they will secondarily be coming from me.

- 1 MR. MIZELL: Okay. Thank you.
- 2 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: As long as they are
- 3 focused on CCLP's water rights and it's within the
- 4 scope. Do you have a time estimate for cross?
- 5 MS. WOMACK: Four hours.
- 6 MR. EMRICK: Probably an hour each. I think
- 7 we'll start with Mr. Bednarski. Ms. Womack will take
- 8 the lead; I will ask some follow-up, and then we will
- 9 move on to --
- 10 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: I will remind all of
- 11 you that it is our typical process to provide for one
- 12 hour of cross and then additional time upon offer of
- 13 proof. So we will start with the one hour.
- 14 MS. WOMACK: All right. Mr. Bednarski, did
- 15 anyone help you with your testimony?
- 16 WITNESS BEDNARSKI: DWR's legal staff assisted
- 17 me in formatting it to it's present format.
- MS. WOMACK: I appreciate that. Let's see.
- 19 Let's see. Who do you work for?
- 20 WITNESS BEDNARSKI: My employer is the
- 21 Metropolitan Water District of Southern California.
- 22 MS. WOMACK: And are you the section manager of
- 23 the Water Supply Initiative? That's what it -- is that
- 24 your title?
- 25 WITNESS BEDNARSKI: Yes, I am. Yes, that's my

- 1 title.
- 2 MS. WOMACK: Okay. Are you the program manager
- 3 for the CWF?
- 4 MR. MIZELL: I'm going to raise an objection
- 5 here just to -- or maybe a clarification. We've been
- 6 informed that they have two hours of questions they
- 7 would like to ask. To the extent that we've been over
- 8 Mr. Bednarski's background in many sections of
- 9 cross-examination before, if we could simply go to the
- 10 substantive questions, we might be able to better
- 11 streamline this rather than have a fight later about
- 12 whether or not the first hour was used effectively.
- 13 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: I agree.
- MS. WOMACK: Do you have authority to make
- 15 legally binding decisions for Reclamation?
- MR. MIZELL: Objection, calls for a legal
- 17 conclusion.
- 18 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: He does or he
- 19 doesn't.
- 20 WITNESS BEDNARSKI: Yeah, I don't know how my
- 21 authority pertains to Bureau of Reclamation. I believe
- 22 that my testimony commits DWR to my statements in my
- 23 testimony, though.
- MS. WOMACK: So do you have authority for
- 25 commitments from Reclamation then?

- 1 MR. MIZELL: It's been answered.
- MS. WOMACK: Oh, okay. Okay.
- 3 Do you have a letter confirming -- do you have
- 4 a signed letter from DWR confirming your legal --
- 5 legally binding authority?
- 6 MR. MIZELL: Objection, again, calls for a
- 7 legal conclusion. But as the Department's attorney, I
- 8 can assert that any commitments that Mr. Bednarski has
- 9 made to mitigation have been assessed at the Department,
- 10 and we would commit to those if they became terms and
- 11 conditions of our permit.
- 12 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: So noted, sustained.
- 13 MS. WOMACK: So the control structure on Page 2
- 14 of your testimony, 1417 --
- Mr. Long, if you could put that up.
- 16 This is qualified at the bottom as an "aerial
- 17 photo clearly shows CCLP intake structure." Is this in
- 18 the CER or the SEIR/EIS?
- 19 WITNESS BEDNARSKI: Yes, that's a blowup of an
- 20 image from the CER.
- 21 MS. WOMACK: Do you have a reference for that?
- 22 Because it says it's an aerial photo.
- 23 WITNESS BEDNARSKI: Yes, I do.
- 24 Can we go to DWR-1305, Sheet 55 of 96. It's
- 25 the same one we looked at previously.

1 There we go. Now if we can magnify that area

- 2 for the control structure that's in the DMC. Yeah,
- 3 it's -- scan to the right side of the image.
- 4 MS. WOMACK: So it's from this -- this is the
- 5 reference of it?
- 6 WITNESS BEDNARSKI: Okay. Now that yellow box
- 7 there, I believe if we continue to magnify that, we
- 8 should be able to see the -- keep going --
- 9 MS. WOMACK: This is where you got the
- 10 structure from?
- 11 WITNESS BEDNARSKI: I'm sorry?
- MS. WOMACK: This is where you got this photo
- 13 from? This isn't an aerial photo. Or this -- I'm just
- 14 looking for the reference number for this photo because
- 15 I don't see that being the same as what should show.
- 16 MR. MIZELL: Objection, asked and answered.
- 17 WITNESS BEDNARSKI: No, we created this image
- 18 for my testimony based on the footprint that's shown
- 19 right here, using the exact same coordinates that are
- 20 shown on this drawing.
- 21 We do not have this figure in the CER. We
- 22 created it specifically for this testimony to show the
- 23 relationship of the CCLP diversion in regards to the
- 24 proposed control structure.
- 25 MS. WOMACK. Okay. Have there been any surveys

- 1 of that?
- 2 WITNESS BEDNARSKI: We have not done any
- 3 surveys. We have gone off of GPS coordinates.
- 4 MS. WOMACK: Which are not included in this
- 5 picture. They're not in the picture on Page 2. I don't
- 6 see any coordinates.
- 7 WITNESS BEDNARSKI: No, we didn't include those
- 8 coordinates on --
- 9 MS. WOMACK: I would say that this is not --
- 10 this does not provide a legal --
- 11 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: You may make that
- 12 argument in your briefs. Right now, you are
- 13 cross-examining these witnesses.
- MS. WOMACK: Okay.
- Okay. So next, on Page 2 of your testimony,
- 16 you conclude there's no impacts to CCLP from the
- 17 construction. And what you say here is that it is --
- 18 the sole basis for -- it appears the sole basis for this
- 19 opinion is that the distance between the construction
- 20 impact of the control structure and our diversion is
- 21 100 feet is what I've read.
- 22 That is on Page 2, Lines 26 -- yeah. Starts on
- 23 25. So based on the conceptual engineering, the
- 24 clearance between that.
- 25 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: And your question

- 1 is?
- 2 MS. WOMACK: So the question is is that the
- 3 sole basis of your opinion?
- 4 MS. ANSLEY: Objection, it misstates the
- 5 testimony in the preface to that question where she said
- 6 "the sole basis is a hundred feet." Reading his
- 7 testimony exactly, he says the construction footprint is
- 8 more than a hundred feet.
- 9 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: All right. We will
- 10 make a note of that.
- 11 And, Mr. Bednarski, answer the question,
- 12 please.
- 13 WITNESS BEDNARSKI: I'm sorry could you repeat
- 14 the question?
- MS. WOMACK: Probably not.
- 16 So is the sole basis for your assertion there
- 17 is no -- there's no impact of the control structure, is
- 18 it just based on distance?
- 19 WITNESS BEDNARSKI: No. I think that this
- 20 statement was related only to whether -- from the
- 21 temporary construction impact or the permanent footprint
- 22 would not disrupt the existing diversion.
- This statement is not based upon any
- 24 conclusions about operations of the system. This figure
- 25 was only used to demonstrate that the footprint, both

1 temporary impacts and permanent impacts, did not fall on

- 2 top of the existing diversion; that is about a hundred
- 3 feet downstream of that location.
- 4 MS. WOMACK: Okay.
- 5 WITNESS BEDNARSKI: That was the only purpose
- 6 for that statement there.
- 7 MS. WOMACK: Okay. You say that the 14.8
- 8 construction structure is part of the approved plan. It
- 9 is a 2.2 approved plan structure. Is this your best
- 10 rendering of the 14.8 project acreage and how it will
- 11 look and what will. . .
- 12 WITNESS BEDNARSKI: Well, again --
- MR. MIZELL: Objection.
- 14 WITNESS BEDNARSKI: Oh, sorry. Sorry, Tripp.
- 15 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Hold on. Hold on.
- MR. MIZELL: The question's vague and
- 17 ambiguous. There are a number of numbers in there
- 18 that --
- MS. WOMACK: The original --
- 20 MR. MIZELL: -- did not read very concisely.
- 21 If we can get the question restated --
- MS. WOMACK: Certainly.
- 23 MR. MIZELL: -- so that we understand exactly
- 24 what statement you're referring to.
- MS. WOMACK: The original structure was

1 2.2 acres. It says here that it's in the approved plan

- 2 that it's 14.8.
- I guess I'd like to know -- I'd like a
- 4 rendering of what is going on in this whole acreage of
- 5 14.8.
- 6 WITNESS BEDNARSKI: Okay. If we go to page --
- 7 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Hold on. Actually,
- 8 I'm not clear on what the answer to the question is.
- 9 MS. WOMACK: If you see the blue box, there's a
- 10 blue box that shows 14.8 acres. And they say there's
- 11 not going to be -- that's what I've been -- is that
- 12 correct? The blue box is the 14.8 acres?
- 13 WITNESS BEDNARSKI: Yes. If you go to the
- 14 footnote on Page 4, I believe it explains what all three
- 15 of those different --
- 16 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Okay. So then,
- 17 Ms. Womack, your question?
- 18 MS. WOMACK: What else is going to be on here?
- 19 I've been told there's some -- you see, there -- in one
- 20 of the questions, in one of the responses that was --
- 21 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: I can't refer to
- 22 that response because we struck it, so.
- 23 MS. WOMACK: Okay. So what else will be on
- 24 here, on this structure? We have the control structure
- 25 in the center. And supposedly that's not going -- what

- 1 else is going to be on this?
- 2 WITNESS BEDNARSKI: The permanent footprint of
- 3 the structure is shown in red. Okay? And that's
- 4 approximately 4.6 acres. And I think -- I believe
- 5 that's what we've cleared through the environmental
- 6 process as far as a permanent footprint for the
- 7 structure.
- 8 As we're doing our construction activities,
- 9 we're going to need a staging and mobilization area. We
- 10 may also need to construct a bypass of the canal around
- 11 the construction area. So we've set aside the area
- 12 shown in blue for those temporary construction impacts.
- MS. WOMACK: Okay. That's --
- 14 WITNESS BEDNARSKI: Those areas will be graded
- 15 back to their pre-existing, you know, configuration once
- 16 construction is complete. So those are considered
- 17 temporary impacts as opposed to what falls within the
- 18 red rectangle, which is a permanent footprint for the
- 19 structure.
- 20 MS. WOMACK: Okay. So during construction,
- 21 will you have -- the blue will be --
- 22 Could you put that down, Mr. Long, just a
- 23 little.
- 24 The blue will be -- it will be completely gated
- 25 off? Is that what I'm led to believe -- when you do the

- 1 construction?
- 2 WITNESS BEDNARSKI: It's yet to be determined
- 3 whether it would be gated off. If there are access
- 4 requirements for, say, patrolling the aqueduct levees or
- 5 perhaps accessing the CCLP diversion, then those would
- 6 have to be -- remain open during the construction.
- 7 So, you know, as we get farther into the design
- 8 process and understand the different constraints for
- 9 usage of the levees and access to different points,
- 10 those would be made available and not blocked off.
- 11 MS. WOMACK: So it will -- 24-hour access
- 12 during construction?
- 13 WITNESS BEDNARSKI: Well, we'll need to figure
- 14 that out as we get into the process, whether 24-hour
- 15 access is required and whether our work is blocking some
- 16 area that needs 24-hour access. If that's required,
- 17 then that will be provided.
- 18 MS. WOMACK: My contract, 1955 contract? Okay.
- 19 Can you commit to any specific access at this time?
- 20 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: No, he cannot.
- MS. WOMACK: No, he can't.
- Was that a "no"?
- 23 WITNESS BEDNARSKI: I believe at this point,
- 24 you know, we would provide access to your diversion
- 25 point perhaps through some temporary access roads. You

- 1 know, we'd have to get into those details.
- I couldn't say right now, but, you know, it
- 3 doesn't seem infeasible to me that we couldn't provide
- 4 you that access at that location.
- 5 MS. WOMACK: I have to provide huge cranes to
- 6 replace my pump, my 1955-designed pump.
- 7 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: And what's the
- 8 question?
- 9 MS. WOMACK: So will I have a commitment that I
- 10 can reach that at any time?
- 11 MR. MIZELL: Objection, vague and ambiguous as
- 12 to what direction she'd be approaching, what time of
- 13 day.
- MS. WOMACK: It's the shortest route.
- 15 MR. MIZELL: The shortest route, based on the
- 16 picture, does not have any obstructions between it and
- 17 the road.
- 18 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Are you able to
- 19 provide any commitment at this time, Mr. Bednarski?
- 20 WITNESS BEDNARSKI: I believe that we can
- 21 provide her -- provide CCLP access, if required, with
- 22 some notice if we were otherwise blocking their access.
- Otherwise, some continuous temporary access that would
- 24 be outside of our construction footprint could be --
- 25 could be looked at as we get into preliminary and final

- 1 design. It's not our intention to impede their access
- 2 to that -- to that point.
- 3 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Okay.
- 4 MS. WOMACK: So can you commit that the blue
- 5 line of construction will not be changed?
- 6 WITNESS BEDNARSKI: No, I cannot do that at
- 7 this point. We have completed conceptual design. We
- 8 still have preliminary and final design. But this is
- 9 our best estimate at this point in time as to the
- 10 temporary construction footprint.
- 11 MS. WOMACK: Okay. The -- I think it's still
- 12 up for debate. I believe our property is 15 feet on the
- 13 other side of the road between the Herdlyn Road and the
- 14 canal. But we can split nails later. I'll take it that
- 15 you're working on that. Let's see.
- 16 So in your testimony, you say that -- in your
- 17 testimony, where is the 127-acre new South Tunnel outlet
- 18 control structure that you showed but you don't talk
- 19 about in your testimony?
- 20 WITNESS BEDNARSKI: Can we go back to DWR-1305,
- 21 Sheet 55 of 96? I guess we're on that sheet already.
- 22 Keep scanning down, the way you're going. Right there.
- 23 Stop right there.
- 24 That is it, where you see that kind of like
- 25 figure-eight circles. I believe that's the structure

- 1 that you're referring to.
- 2 MS. WOMACK: Yes. It's not in your
- 3 construction potential impacts. Why not?
- 4 WITNESS BEDNARSKI: I'm not clear.
- 5 MS. ANSLEY: Vague and ambiguous as to what --
- 6 what piece of paper she's looking at? What exact
- 7 construction impacts? Are you holding his testimony?
- 8 Are you holding --
- 9 MS. WOMACK: I -- I am -- let's pull up --
- 10 let's see, 1305, PDF 84 would have it.
- I want to know why this structure isn't
- 12 considered as part of your testimony.
- 13 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Which structure?
- 14 MS. WOMACK: The South Tunnel outlet structure.
- 15 MS. ANSLEY: And just for clarity, DWR-1305 is
- 16 a volume of the CER?
- MS. WOMACK: CER PDF 84.
- 18 MR. MIZELL: I'm going to object to facts not
- 19 in evidence and beyond the scope.
- 20 Ms. Womack has not laid any foundation that
- 21 this structure's footprint would be on her property and
- 22 therefore have any impacts to her water right.
- 23 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: What is --
- 24 MR. MIZELL: We're looking at property south of
- 25 Byron Road.

1 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: So, Ms. Womack, what

- 2 is this that we're looking at?
- 3 MS. WOMACK: This is the South Tunnel control
- 4 structure that all the water from the tunnels will be
- 5 coming into. And then I -- I'm -- I believe, I'm not
- 6 sure, this is going to be sorting the water. The water
- 7 will come up in it, I don't know if SCADA will be housed
- 8 here. I don't know how this 127-acre addition --
- 9 If you go to the next page, Mr. Long, 85.
- 10 This shows this. This is 127 acres. That
- 11 structure is -- well, you can see where it's labeled
- 12 "South Tunnel Outlet Structure."
- 13 And again it goes into the -- into the DMC
- 14 outlet -- intake.
- 15 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: And your question
- 16 is?
- MS. WOMACK: And my question is how is that
- 18 going to affect my diversion?
- 19 WITNESS BEDNARSKI: To the best of my
- 20 knowledge, that structure should have no impact on your
- 21 diversion.
- 22 MS. WOMACK: So it has nothing to do with the
- 23 amount of water, or -- does it house SCADA? Where is
- 24 SCADA housed?
- 25 WITNESS BEDNARSKI: We haven't determined the

- 1 location for the SCADA system. We'll probably have it
- 2 distributed through different computer modules at each
- 3 of the control structures. And then there will be
- 4 devices at that outlet structure that you noted. Where
- 5 that data is collected and processed, I don't have an
- 6 answer for you right now.
- 7 MS. WOMACK: That outlet structure I noted,
- 8 which you mean the South Tunnel?
- 9 WITNESS BEDNARSKI: Yes, is says "South Tunnel
- 10 Outlet Structure" is it, that's called out?
- MS. WOMACK: Yes, just like the DMC Intake.
- 12 So that is going to be -- that will have data
- 13 there as well?
- 14 WITNESS BEDNARSKI: I believe there will be
- 15 equipment there that will collect data. It may process
- 16 data that point. I do not know at this point where DWR
- 17 plans to set up their main control facility for
- 18 California WaterFix facilities, but that data would be
- 19 relayed to that location.
- 20 And then operators at that location could take
- 21 actions remotely to operate the gates in either those --
- 22 that structure or in the two control structures that are
- 23 in that channel as well as the control structure that is
- 24 shown in the Banks Intake Channel there, off to the
- 25 left, and then also the one that's in the DMC.

- 1 MS. WOMACK: Is there any way CCLP can
- 2 commit -- can communicate with the operators with the
- 3 control structures, if there is one, so that -- if our
- 4 water levels are impacted?
- 5 WITNESS BEDNARSKI: I -- I assume that you
- 6 would have some sort of communication protocol with the
- 7 field operations group or with DWR operations in
- 8 general. I don't have an answer to that at this point.
- 9 MS. WOMACK: Are you willing to -- are you
- 10 willing to commit to that?
- MS. ANSLEY: Objection, there's been no
- 12 foundation laid that Mr. Bednarski is going to be an
- 13 operator of California WaterFix.
- MS. WOMACK: Well, he is an expert.
- 15 MS. ANSLEY: He's the construction expert here.
- 16 He's testified to where he thinks the SCADA may be
- 17 located, which is yet to be determined. And, frankly,
- 18 it would be my objection that the location of the SCADA
- 19 system or data processing is irrelevant to the issue of
- 20 who in the field operations Ms. Womack would be
- 21 regularly dealing with that may not even be different
- 22 from the past.
- 23 So I think any further questioning on this line
- 24 would be beyond the scope of Mr. Bednarski's testimony.
- MS. WOMACK: Yes, you bring up a good point.

- 1 Mr. Bednarski, according to your CV --
- 2 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: That was an
- 3 agreement. Sustained. All right.
- 4 MS. WOMACK: So, yeah.
- 5 According to your CV, you have -- work has
- 6 included reconfiguring the river intakes, the tunnels,
- 7 and pumping system to achieve budget, schedule, and
- 8 environmental commitment for the program. Where -- this
- 9 is -- I'm taking this from your CV. Where is your
- 10 construction expertise?
- 11 MR. MIZELL: I'm going to object as to
- 12 relevance. Challenging Mr. Bednarski's CV at this point
- 13 is not productive.
- 14 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Sustained.
- 15 MS. WOMACK: Yeah, okay. All right. All
- 16 right.
- 17 So let's see. So what about CCLP's other water
- 18 diversions? Where do you analyze the potential
- 19 operational impacts from the new Byron Tract Forebay,
- 20 the tunnel configuration, and the pumping plants on
- 21 CCLP's other diversions?
- 22 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: What other --
- MR. MIZELL: Objection --
- 24 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: What other
- 25 diversions? You need to be more specific, Ms. Womack.

1 MS. WOMACK: Well, we have a total of three

- 2 diversions.
- 3 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: So be specific.
- 4 MS. WOMACK: The diversion in front of the
- 5 Tracy Fish Facility.
- 6 MR. MIZELL: Is it located on a map?
- 7 Objection, vague and ambiguous. Until we have a
- 8 location provided by Ms. Womack in any of her testimony
- 9 as to her other diversion points, Mr. Bednarski isn't,
- 10 at this point, prepared to answer those questions.
- 11 There has been absolutely no foundation laid
- 12 that Ms. Womack has other diversion points that are
- 13 impacted in any -- in ways other than what Mr. Bednarski
- 14 has explained here.
- 15 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: All right.
- 16 Sustained.
- 17 Ms. Womack.
- 18 MR. EMRICK: Let me ask a follow-up, maybe
- 19 clarifying question of Mr. Bednarski.
- 20 Are you aware of any other diversions that CCLP
- 21 has to take water for use on its property?
- 22 WITNESS BEDNARSKI: No, I'm not.
- 23 MR. EMRICK: Only the one that is located in
- 24 the -- what we're calling the DMC?
- 25 WITNESS BEDNARSKI: That's correct.

- 1 MR. EMRICK: And when did you first become
- 2 aware of the location of CCLP's diversion within the
- 3 DMC?
- 4 WITNESS BEDNARSKI: As far as its specific
- 5 location, I believe it was at some point after the
- 6 Part 2 Rebuttal process. I knew that there was a
- 7 diversion in that channel. I did not know specifically
- 8 where it was.
- 9 MR. EMRICK: And so when these facilities were
- 10 being designed and the operation being considered, you
- 11 weren't aware of the specific location of that
- 12 diversion -- CCLP's diversion in the DMC; is that
- 13 correct?
- 14 WITNESS BEDNARSKI: No, I was not.
- MS. WOMACK: Okay. Have you personally
- 16 performed any specific studies or investigations, other
- 17 than what you have in the testimony, as to the possible
- 18 operational impacts to CCLP's water rights?
- 19 MR. MIZELL: Objection, vague and ambiguous.
- 20 Which water rights is she referring to, and where are
- 21 they located?
- 22 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Has he done any
- 23 other analysis?
- 24 MR. MIZELL: The question was based on as to
- 25 CCLP's water rights. We have produced analysis that is

- 1 in the testimony regarding impacts to that region of the
- 2 Delta. So without more specificity, it would be very
- 3 difficult for Mr. Bednarski to know if those water
- 4 rights fall within the range of impacts discussed in the
- 5 testimony provided or not.
- 6 MS. WOMACK: We can make that inside the water
- 7 at the diversion.
- 8 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: I'm sorry. That
- 9 does not help.
- MS. WOMACK: The impacts to CCLP's water
- 11 diversion in the DMC.
- 12 MS. ANSLEY: And this would be the one located
- 13 on Mr. Bednarski's figure?
- 14 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Ms. Womack, if there
- 15 are other points of diversion that you wish to ask
- 16 Mr. Bednarski about, it would be helpful if you can show
- 17 where that is on a map.
- 18 MS. WOMACK: I -- you know, the -- where's a
- 19 map of -- yeah, I wasn't -- you know what? It's DWR --
- 20 well, give me a minute with that. We'll find a map that
- 21 would show them. It's very simple.
- 22 Let's see. Currently, the Jones Channel -- you
- 23 say currently the Jones Channel is subject to existing
- 24 water level variation and existing south -- southern
- 25 Delta water quality.

1 When the control structure gates are open, the

- 2 control structure will not be an impediment to the CCLP
- 3 diversion or inhibit its access is what you're saying.
- 4 So you're saying when the control structure is
- 5 open, it will not be an impediment to our diversion?
- 6 WITNESS BEDNARSKI: That's our understanding at
- 7 this point, based on our conceptual engineering
- 8 completed to date.
- 9 MS. WOMACK: And are there impact studies to
- 10 that?
- 11 WITNESS BEDNARSKI: There is -- my
- 12 understanding that, under our current concept, those
- 13 gates, which we're believing at this point will be
- 14 radial gates, will be fully opened when we are diverting
- 15 water from the South Delta or when we are doing the
- 16 combined North or South Delta and that our goal is to
- 17 minimize head loss across that structure such that we do
- 18 not change the water surface elevations for the Jones
- 19 Pumping Plant.
- 20 So we will be configuring that structure to
- 21 minimize losses across that structure when we're flowing
- 22 water. Thereby, we anticipate that the water levels at
- 23 your diversion will remain as they presently are.
- MS. WOMACK: But I've asked if you have impact
- 25 repor- -- any sort of -- you don't -- studies?

- 1 WITNESS CHILMAKURI: Ms. Womack, in my
- 2 testimony, I presented the water level analysis for
- 3 the -- what I expect your -- at your intake --
- 4 MS. WOMACK: You also told me on the 10th that
- 5 you don't have that information to that specificity.
- 6 MR. MIZELL: Objection, argumentative.
- 7 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Let's not argue back
- 8 and forth. If there's a specific question, Ms. Womack,
- 9 ask it, please.
- 10 MS. WOMACK: Do you commit to the no impact on
- 11 water levels at CCLP?
- MS. ANSLEY: Objection. Mr. Bednarski has put
- 13 forward his testimony. He has laid out exactly the
- 14 basis for his conclusions, and his conclusions are in
- 15 this testimony.
- 16 That is -- that is a blanket statement. I
- 17 believe that she should point specifically to the -- you
- 18 know, he has this caveated with sentences. So I would
- 19 prefer if she point to a conclusion he raises here that
- 20 is supported by the evidence in his testimony and ask
- 21 that -- I mean, I guess she could ask him to confirm
- 22 what is written here, that, based on these parameters
- 23 and this structure, that he made this conclusion, for
- 24 example.
- 25 I don't want to put words in his mouth, but I

1 don't want him answering a blanket statement apropos of

- 2 nothing.
- 3 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Sustained.
- 4 MS. WOMACK: I'm just trying to get something
- 5 that says -- I keep -- I've got opinions so far. So --
- 6 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Ms. Womack, these
- 7 witnesses have provided testimony. In your closing
- 8 briefs, you may make arguments as to how you believe
- 9 their statements might translate into a condition that
- 10 you might propose.
- 11 I don't think you'll get much from them if you
- 12 to continue to ask whether or not they agree to various
- 13 conditions. They have not. Any of petitioners'
- 14 witnesses, I think, have been very careful to avoid
- 15 making any statements of proposed conditions.
- 16 So I would suggest that you narrow your focus
- 17 on specific questions to them that would help you
- 18 formulate your closing briefs in terms of conditions
- 19 that you might propose rather than asking them whether
- 20 they would commit to something.
- 21 MS. WOMACK: Okay. That's fine.
- 22 MR. EMRICK: Maybe I can ask the clarifying
- 23 question then, based on Dr. Chilmakuri's response, just
- 24 to narrow it down.
- So, Mr. Bednarski, in looking at

1 operational-based potential impacts, Page 3, you did not

- 2 look at water level impacts of operations; is that
- 3 correct?
- 4 WITNESS BEDNARSKI: I don't believe that's
- 5 correct. It -- can we go to DWR-1304, the CER? We have
- 6 information in there that I believe we've presented that
- 7 shows our expectation as far as water level at the Jones
- 8 Plant. And I guess I would just like to point that out.
- 9 Maybe that would answer some questions.
- 10 So DWR-1304, Page 5-7. Keep going back up.
- 11 It's in Section 5.1.6.3.
- 12 There we go. Okay. Stop. Oh, went too far.
- 13 Okay. Stop right there.
- So for the CVP under, "Isolated South Delta
- 15 Operations," so this would be basically similar to what
- 16 the current operation is now, for the CVP, we've
- 17 identified the design minimum operating elevation at
- 18 minus 1.43 feet with a maximum operating elevation of
- 19 9.57. Again, this is to operate the Jones Pumping Plant
- 20 within this range, which is their current range of
- 21 operation from what I understand.
- Now, if we scroll down just a little bit
- 23 further, keep going a little bit more. The -- okay.
- 24 Stop there.
- This bottom grouping of information provides

- 1 under the dual operation, and you will see that the
- 2 design operating elevations for the CVP are the same
- 3 under the dual-operation mode as they are under South
- 4 Delta Diversion-only mode.
- 5 So this was our way of characterizing that we
- 6 do not plan to modify or adjust or change the water
- 7 surface elevations in that channel.
- 8 MS. WOMACK: Yes, I appreciate that so much.
- 9 However, the elevations now are tidal based. This is
- 10 based on operations. This is why operations is huge to
- 11 me. The dual operation, the isolated North Delta
- 12 operation, I have a huge range that my farmer doesn't
- 13 know -- we go by suns and moons and high tides, low
- 14 tides. There's no high tide, low tide with a closed
- 15 control structure.
- 16 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: And the question is?
- 17 MS. WOMACK: Is there any tidal information
- 18 here with the isolated North Delta operation or the dual
- 19 operation?
- 20 MS. ANSLEY: Objection, vague and ambiguous as
- 21 to is there any tidal information there. Is she asking
- 22 whether there will continue to be tides or if these
- 23 numbers take into account tides? But I think I'd like
- 24 the question to be more specific.
- 25 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Agreed.

1 MS. WOMACK: I would like to know. My water

- 2 levels -- right now, I can depend on a Farmer's Almanac.
- 3 I can open it up. I know when the high tides, the low
- 4 tides. Here, I have a huge range, just like I have now,
- 5 but I have no guarantee. I have no one I can talk to.
- 6 DFD won't respond.
- 7 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: And I still don't
- 8 know what the question is.
- 9 MR. EMRICK: So maybe I can ask a clarifying
- 10 question.
- 11 Through these operations and trying to maintain
- 12 water levels, is there going to be some mechanism in
- 13 which CCLP will be able to communicate with DWR, CVP to
- 14 know when it will be able to divert?
- 15 WITNESS BEDNARSKI: I would expect there would
- 16 be some sort of communication mechanism between the two
- 17 parties.
- 18 MR. EMRICK: But nothing developed right now?
- 19 WITNESS BEDNARSKI: Nothing at this point. I
- 20 believe we would do that during our preliminary and
- 21 final design, as we get a better handle on any impacts
- 22 to CCLP's operations, if there are any.
- MS. WOMACK: I'm very concerned about
- 24 communications, given what we have going.
- 25 Right now, let's see. What I wanted to know is

1 the water that comes from the North Delta Diversion, is

- 2 that Reclamations's water?
- 3 MR. MIZELL: Objection --
- 4 MS. WOMACK: Right now I'm getting water from
- 5 the Old River.
- 6 MR. MIZELL: Objection, relevance
- 7 MR. EMRICK: I think I can clarify.
- 8 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Please do,
- 9 Mr. Emrick.
- 10 MR. EMRICK: Yes. And Dr. Chilmakuri, you can
- 11 certainly join in here.
- I think one of the issues -- and I think
- 13 Mr. Mizell actually brought it up this morning -- is at
- 14 in point in time, the control structure is going to cut
- 15 off water from Old River to this diversion point. Water
- 16 is going to come from the other facility, North Delta
- 17 facility, and that water is going to be either I guess
- 18 SWP water, CVP water, origin in Sacramento River.
- 19 What is going to be CCLP's entitlement to that
- 20 water? Is it going to be with a contract with CVP? Is
- 21 it going to be a contract with State Water Project?
- 22 Right now, they're taking Old River water. That water
- 23 will not be Old River water.
- 24 So I think there's a concern is what's going to
- 25 be CCLP's guarantee, entitlement, right to that water?

1 MR. MIZELL: I'd object as needing a legal

- 2 analysis and conclusion.
- 3 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Mr. Mizell, your
- 4 witness may answer that they don't know. But that is a
- 5 valid question that goes to potential injury to CCLP's
- 6 water rights. Your objection is overruled.
- 7 WITNESS CHILMAKURI: I don't have a -- I mean,
- 8 I'm not qualified to be a water rights analysis person.
- 9 All I can tell you is that there will be water present
- 10 at their intake.
- 11 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: By what means?
- 12 WITNESS CHILMAKURI: Either through
- 13 operation -- if the control structure is open, they will
- 14 continue to get the water from Old River. If the
- 15 control structure is closed, the water will come from
- 16 Byron Tract Forebay.
- 17 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: And by what
- 18 mechanism will it be provided to CCLP?
- 19 WITNESS CHILMAKURI: If you will recall that
- 20 figure I was describing, the channels are -- so the
- 21 South Canal.
- 22 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: You're answering
- 23 that from a technical, physical perspective. And I
- 24 guess you cannot answer it from a legal perspective.
- 25 WITNESS CHILMAKURI: Correct. That's the only

- 1 way I can answer it.
- 2 MS. WOMACK: I'm just -- go ahead.
- 3 MR. EMRICK: So the question is you don't know
- 4 what the legal entitlement or facilitation for CCLP to
- 5 use that North Delta water will be? Only that it will
- 6 be present?
- 7 MS. WOMACK: Well, maybe I can --
- 8 WITNESS CHILMAKURI: Correct. It will be
- 9 present. I just don't know what -- yeah.
- 10 MS. WOMACK: So does your analysis assume CCLP
- 11 will be able to divert North Delta Diversion water at
- 12 will is basically what you're saying?
- 13 MS. ANSLEY: Objection, vague and ambiguous as
- 14 to "at will." But if she truncates that off, I think
- 15 that question is fair.
- 16 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: We'll ignore the "at
- 17 will" part. Related to you water rights.
- 18 MS. WOMACK: I have year-round water rights.
- 19 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Let's frame it as
- 20 pursuant to your water rights.
- MS. WOMACK: Okay.
- 22 WITNESS CHILMAKURI: Yes, that's my opinion.
- 23 MS. WOMACK: And you have the ability to make
- 24 that commitment?
- 25 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: He is answering that

- 1 from his technical, physical perspective.
- MS. WOMACK: All right. Let's move on.
- 3 And are the -- so the control structure -- oh,
- 4 is there a question?
- 5 MS. ANSLEY: Yeah. I'd like to, at this point,
- 6 maybe lodge an objection to the continued use of the
- 7 word "commitment," which I think can get a little
- 8 confusing, whether you're asking them to commit to what
- 9 they state in their analysis or based on what they've
- 10 written here and whether you're asking them for a
- 11 commitment that later you're going to come back and it's
- 12 beyond their personal knowledge and is some way a
- 13 commitment.
- 14 I understand earlier we had a little bit of a
- 15 distinction going. But I think that it's getting a
- 16 little dangerous to do a continued use of that word.
- 17 And I think it's now being meant more colloquially. So
- 18 I do have a problem with that word in the questions. So
- 19 vague and ambiguous when that word is used.
- 20 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: All right.
- 21 MS. WOMACK: I'm very concerned about our water
- 22 rights.
- 23 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Yes --
- MS. WOMACK: So I am looking for commitments
- 25 that are real, that mean something.

1 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: And I have already

- 2 mentioned several times, as has counsel for DWR, that
- 3 you're highly unlikely to get that level of commitment
- 4 from these witnesses. But what you may do and you have
- 5 done very successfully, with Mr. Emrick's help, is lay
- 6 the foundation for argument in your closing briefs with
- 7 respect to the commitments you would request be placed
- 8 on any approval issued to petitioners.
- 9 So, Ms. Womack, you're ahead. Let's keep
- 10 going.
- 11 MS. WOMACK: Okay. As long as you say so.
- 12 Let's see.
- 13 (Sotto voce discussion between Ms. Womack
- and Mr. Emrick)
- MR. EMRICK: Mr. Bednarski, on your testimony,
- 16 on Page 4, Lines 2 through 5, you talk about next phases
- 17 of California WaterFix design process, detail, and
- 18 extensive hydraulic modeling and assessments of the
- 19 entire California WaterFix, including the Jones Pumping
- 20 Plant intake channel will be conducted.
- 21 Can you describe for me in more detail what
- 22 these next phases of design is going to be and the
- 23 detailed and extensive hydrologic modeling that's;
- 24 proposed?
- 25 MS. ANSLEY: And I would object that that is

1 well broad beyond the scope and has been the subject of

- 2 a lot of testimony in this proceeding. Maybe if the
- 3 question could be narrowed down in some way -- but we've
- 4 spent many days going over the level of the Conceptual
- 5 Engineering Reports and then the next phases that would
- 6 occur.
- 7 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Let's try to narrow
- 8 it, Mr. Emrick.
- 9 MR. EMRICK: Yeah, we can narrow it as to
- 10 potential impacts to CCLP's diversion.
- 11 WITNESS BEDNARSKI: I quess, at a summary
- 12 level, we'll be completing a hydraulic model or profile
- 13 of the entire WaterFix system, starting at both the
- 14 Jones and the Banks Pumping Plant and looking at a
- 15 variety of different potential operating scenarios and
- 16 then determining, you know, the impact of those
- 17 operating scenarios on water levels in the Jones Intake
- 18 Channel and then using that information to further
- 19 develop the configuration and the operational modes
- 20 for the control structure that's located in that
- 21 channel as well as the ones that are located in the
- 22 interconnection channels and then, you know,
- 23 developing, you know, designs and operating scenarios,
- 24 you know, around those hydraulic models that have been
- 25 developed.

- 1 I'm not sure how to be more detailed than
- 2 that.
- 3 MS. WOMACK: I just -- what -- I -- so you have
- 4 nothing that can help me make a decision about things
- 5 right now; it's going to happen in the future?
- 6 MS. ANSLEY: Objection, vague and ambiguous.
- 7 It's also asked and answered now. He just answered that
- 8 that was the level of detail that could provide.
- 9 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Sustained.
- 10 MR. EMRICK: Yeah, thank you.
- 11 Let me try to ask a follow-up question, maybe
- 12 more clearly.
- So to date you haven't looked at any of that
- 14 with respect to impacts to CCLP, but you plan to in your
- 15 future analysis; is that correct?
- MS. ANSLEY: Again, objection as to "you
- 17 haven't looked into any of that."
- 18 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Sustained.
- 19 MR. EMRICK: Well, you have not looked at the
- 20 impacts to CCLP at this time --
- MS. ANSLEY: And again --
- 22 MR. EMRICK: -- with respect to this future
- 23 WaterFix design process, detailed and extensive
- 24 hydraulic modeling and assessments? You haven't done
- 25 that yet with respect to CCLP's diversion; is that

- 1 correct?
- MS. ANSLEY: Objection, it was asked and
- 3 answered. He answered what the next step was. And now
- 4 the question is specific to CCLP, although that was
- 5 included in his answer. The question to him was what is
- 6 the next step in reference to CCLP? So that question
- 7 has been asked and answered, and indeed what they're
- 8 doing is asking for a different answer now.
- 9 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Sustained.
- 10 MS. WOMACK: All right. Let's see. Part of
- 11 mitigation -- I want to look at mitigation in the CER.
- 12 So basically, the CER one of the things is that
- 13 the -- you will have -- if there's any problem, you're
- 14 going to provide groundwater wells or temporary river
- 15 diversions and pumping capabilities.
- 16 Could you kind of -- could you kind of show me
- 17 evidence -- not evidence, but explain how that would
- 18 happen? So, if I have a problem with my diversion, I
- 19 can't get water. This is going to happen once our
- 20 diversion is going; is that correct, Mr. Bednarski? I'm
- 21 sorry.
- MR. MIZELL: I'm going to object as vague and
- 23 ambiguous. Ms. Womack has selected one bullet point out
- 24 of a long list of potential mitigations and asked if
- 25 that's the particular mitigation Mr. Bednarski would use

1 based upon an undefined circumstance. I think we need

- 2 more specificity.
- 3 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Sustained.
- 4 MR. EMRICK: Let me see if I can clarify.
- 5 First of all, where did these mitigation
- 6 measures come from? Are they in another document? I
- 7 think some of them are in the EIR, if I'm not mistaken.
- 8 But I don't believe all of them are. I think some of
- 9 them are from Ag 1 mitigation from the EIR.
- 10 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: So, I'm sorry. Let
- 11 me interrupt and make sure we are clear on the record,
- 12 Mr. Emrick. You are referring to DWR-1417, Page 5, I
- 13 believe it is? Starting on Line --
- MR. EMRICK: Right. 8.
- 15 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: 8, yes, with the
- 16 bullet starting on Line 10.
- 17 MR. EMRICK: Correct.
- 18 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: All right.
- 19 MR. EMRICK: So what I'm asking is is this --
- 20 these mitigation measures something that you personally
- 21 developed? Did somebody else at DWR develop them? Are
- 22 they in another document and you're using them here?
- 23 WITNESS BEDNARSKI: I previously presented
- 24 these mitigation measures -- if we go to the top of
- 25 Page 5 here. DWR -- stop right there, Line 2, DWR-57.

- 1 I believe in my Part 1 testimony, these
- 2 mitigation measures were presented because we were
- 3 specifically talking about diversions along the
- 4 Sacramento River that would be either temporarily or
- 5 permanently obstructed by the construction of the
- 6 intakes. So these have been talked about, discussed in
- 7 detail before in these hearings.
- 8 MS. WOMACK: With the Sacramento diversion?
- 9 WITNESS BEDNARSKI: Yes.
- 10 MS. WOMACK: Thank you.
- 11 WITNESS BEDNARSKI: So we've used those same
- 12 mitigation measures here, now, down at Clifton Court LP.
- 13 MS. WOMACK: Okay. So -- so looking at the
- 14 three of them, not -- I don't care, you know, all
- 15 three -- you're going to do ground wells; you're going
- 16 to provide alternative water supply from a permitted
- 17 source. Where would that be from?
- 18 MS. ANSLEY: Just to make clear, we're talking
- 19 about the three bullet points under "Temporarily
- 20 Affected"?
- MS. WOMACK: Mm-hmm.
- MS. ANSLEY: So Line 8 through 14?
- MS. WOMACK: Yes. You're going to drill
- 24 groundwater wells; you're going to have alternative
- 25 supply from a permitted source; or -- I don't know how

- 1 this, "Once construction is completed, reactivate
- 2 original diversion and discontinue."
- 3 So that's not -- so there's really two ways
- 4 you're going to temporarily affect what you're going to
- 5 do during construction.
- 6 MS. ANSLEY: I don't understand the question.
- 7 MS. WOMACK: Well, I guess I'd like to know
- 8 how -- how -- it takes weeks, if not months, to drill
- 9 wells. If I'm temporarily affected, drilling a well is
- 10 not very -- I don't know how that will -- I don't want
- 11 my farmer without water.
- 12 Providing an alternative water supply from a
- 13 permitted source, where would that be from at Clifton
- 14 Court, at -- from the DMC intake?
- MS. ANSLEY: Objection, compound. I think she
- 16 just needs to ask each of those individually so the
- 17 record is clear.
- 18 But I heard two distinct questions there about
- 19 the timing of groundwater wells and then where would the
- 20 alternative water supply potentially be from, if he
- 21 knows.
- 22 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: All right. Let's
- 23 break it up.
- Mr. Bednarski, answer the first bullet first.
- 25 WITNESS BEDNARSKI: Yeah, I think what we were

- 1 trying to do is provide several options here that could
- 2 be evaluated, just like they would be evaluated up along
- 3 the Sacramento River at the river intakes, and select
- 4 one of these that is most appropriate for the specific
- 5 application at that location.
- 6 In some locations, a new groundwater well may
- 7 be appropriate. In some locations, a temporary river
- 8 diversion and pumping capabilities with that diversion
- 9 may be most appropriate. And then there may be some
- 10 other alternate water supply.
- 11 We wanted to have a menu of options to select
- 12 from so that the most appropriate one could be selected
- 13 for the specific application.
- 14 And then finally, the last bullet was to
- 15 address, if there was a temporary impact due to
- 16 construction, we would reestablish the original
- 17 diversion point once construction was completed if we
- 18 were able to do that.
- 19 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: So in other words,
- 20 you are not able at this time to provide any additional
- 21 specifics with respect to source of alternative supply
- 22 or timing for well construction or any additional
- 23 details?
- MS. WOMACK: For temporary.
- 25 WITNESS BEDNARSKI: No, I -- not at this time,

1 not with the limited amount of information that we have

- 2 available to us through the conceptual engineering
- 3 effort.
- 4 MS. WOMACK: So then -- thank you for
- 5 clarifying.
- 6 So then if our diversion is permanently
- 7 affected, you will provide the measures listed above,
- 8 provide -- listed above until the mitigation measures
- 9 are complete.
- 10 So you'll do what's above, or you'll relocate
- 11 the existing diversion outside of the control structure
- 12 footprint into a location that ensures the relocated a
- 13 diversion would function in a manner that is equivalent
- 14 to its current operations.
- 15 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: So let's be clear.
- 16 You're now talking about if there are permit effects,
- 17 you are now focusing on Lines 16 through 23 on Page 5.
- 18 MS. WOMACK: Yes, basically the other bullet
- 19 points. So I -- yeah.
- MS. ANSLEY: Is there a question?
- 21 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: And the question is?
- 22 MS. WOMACK: The question is how does that --
- 23 how do you marry that with my -- my right to -- my
- 24 contract to divert water at my diversion point?
- 25 MS. ANSLEY: I would say vague and ambiguous.

- 1 I have no idea what she means by "marry" to her
- 2 contract.
- 3 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Yes. I'm not sure I
- 4 understand either.
- 5 MS. WOMACK: Well, I have a diversion point in
- 6 the CVP -- in the DMC intake. And this is -- you
- 7 know -- now you're going to relocate my diversion.
- 8 That's changing where I divert water. So changing my
- 9 water -- where I divert my water rights, something that
- 10 I've had since 1955.
- 11 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: So is your question
- 12 whether or not Mr. Bednarski can provide any additional
- 13 specifics at this time with respect to how DWR would
- 14 achieve these measures?
- MS. WOMACK: Yes.
- 16 WITNESS BEDNARSKI: Well, I think there were
- 17 three parts to this.
- 18 If the diversion point was permanently
- 19 affected, we would provide temporary mitigation that was
- 20 described above in the bullets that we just discussed.
- 21 Then, if the diversion fell within the final
- 22 footprint, whether it was the construction footprint or
- 23 the permanent footprint, we would relocate that
- 24 diversion outside of that footprint to a suitable
- 25 location that would ensure, you know, water diversions

- 1 by CCLP as they presently have them.
- 2 And then, finally, we added this third bullet
- 3 because we recognized the potential, once we start
- 4 preliminary and final design, that there could be an
- 5 unanticipated impact to your diversion based on the
- 6 construction and operation of the gates and the entire
- 7 WaterFix scheme. So we wanted to leave ourselves the
- 8 option that, even though your diversion was not affected
- 9 by the footprint of the structure itself, we would still
- 10 commit to relocating your diversion if, through our
- 11 hydraulic analysis, we were to determine that there was
- 12 going to be an impact to that diversion.
- MS. WOMACK: So this would be before any
- 14 construction?
- 15 WITNESS BEDNARSKI: Potentially. If there was
- 16 not a way to mitigate that hydraulic impact to yours,
- 17 then we would potentially relocate it prior to
- 18 construction.
- 19 MS. WOMACK: And what if it's discovered after
- 20 construction?
- 21 WITNESS BEDNARSKI: We've addressed that also.
- Let's see. Can we go to Page 7 of my
- 23 testimony, Line 1, sentence starting, "Additionally, if
- 24 unexpected impacts are identified in the design phase or
- 25 in subsequent operation, they will be mitigated with the

- 1 measures discussed above." So that loops you back to
- 2 the mitigation measures that we've already discussed.
- 3 So DWR's committing that, even after
- 4 operations, if there's something that we missed in our
- 5 analysis and it affects your diversion, we will take
- 6 mitigation actions to correct that.
- 7 MS. WOMACK: Currently if there's something
- 8 wrong, I'm told to sue.
- 9 What would be the mitigation -- I -- this is
- 10 where I -- I've been told today or few days ago that I
- 11 have to sue on my water diversion if my farmer's hurt.
- 12 This is -- I -- my farm needs -- when it needs
- 13 water, it needs water. It cannot wait days and weeks
- 14 while people decide what they're doing. How will this
- 15 process happen? It's not very clear to me. Can you
- 16 explain the process?
- MS. ANSLEY: I'm going to object that that
- 18 question is vague and ambiguous. I believe that
- 19 Mr. Bednarski is here to testify as to engineering and
- 20 as to what is known based on the current level of
- 21 engineering design on impacts on CCLP.
- 22 He is not a member of the Field Division Office
- 23 that Ms. Womack may be dealing with on a daily basis or
- 24 in some way regarding the operations of the Clifton
- 25 Court diversion point.

1 So I believe that we are straying outside his

- 2 knowledge. But that question was so broad and vague and
- 3 ambiguous that I can't tell what is falling in
- 4 Mr. Bednarski's purview.
- 5 So I would ask that the question be reframed.
- 6 MS. WOMACK: Well, I guess my question
- 7 really to -- overall to anyone, you're my experts here,
- 8 is what is the process for enforcing your commitments?
- 9 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Answer?
- 10 WITNESS BEDNARSKI: Well, I believe the answer
- 11 is generally characterized on Page 5 of my testimony.
- 12 Starts there and continues onto Page 6.
- Can we go to the bottom of Page 5.
- 14 MS. WOMACK: I'm sorry. Could you read it to
- me because I'm not seeing it?
- MS. ANSLEY: Give the line numbers.
- 17 WITNESS BEDNARSKI: Line 25, "DWR will
- 18 implement this mitigation through the following steps,"
- 19 and there's one, two, three, four, five steps which, to
- 20 me, are characterized by an engagement process between
- 21 DWR and the owner of the diversion that will take place
- 22 during this mitigation effort.
- 23 And it would be my expectation that there would
- 24 be continuous dialogue during the preliminary and final
- 25 design as to the findings from the modeling and

- 1 potential impacts and that there would be this
- 2 engagement that's outlined here that would lead
- 3 towards -- to a resolution of the issue.
- 4 MS. WOMACK: But there is no -- this is your
- 5 opinion?
- 6 WITNESS BEDNARSKI: This is my testimony. And
- 7 in the past, my testimony has committed DWR to doing
- 8 certain things. I would expect this testimony would be
- 9 treated the same way.
- 10 MR. EMRICK: Let me ask a follow-up question.
- 11 So this mitigation measure, all these
- 12 mitigation measures would become part of any change
- 13 petition order that would be issued by the Board; is
- 14 that your understanding?
- MR. MIZELL: Objection, calls for the witness
- 16 to put himself in the place of the decision makers.
- 17 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Sustained.
- 18 MR. EMRICK: But you don't know -- so you don't
- 19 know what, then, an enforcement measure might be for
- 20 these mitigation measures?
- 21 MS. ANSLEY: Objection, also calls for a legal
- 22 conclusion. So the same objection --
- 23 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: And now outside the
- 24 scope, yes. Sustained.
- 25 MR. MIZELL: The objection was sustained,

- 1 Mr. Emrick.
- MS. WOMACK: We're waiting for Osha.
- 3 MS. MESERVE: I was waiting to be recognized.
- 4 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Ms. Meserve.
- 5 MS. MESERVE: Oh, I just had an objection as
- 6 well because I believe the question misstates the
- 7 testimony.
- 8 I don't believe that the things listed in
- 9 Mr. Bednarski's testimony are in fact mitigation
- 10 measures, so I believe it's causing confusion in the
- 11 record to refer to them as mitigation.
- 12 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: I'm sorry. I did
- 13 not understand that.
- MS. WOMACK: Well, if you -- working with
- 15 affected right holders, they're very -- they're not very
- 16 specific, these things that -- she's very right.
- 17 MS. MESERVE: My point is they're not listed in
- 18 the MMRP or anywhere else in mitigation measures in
- 19 complete. Parts of them may be.
- 20 So for us in this hearing to refer to them in
- 21 questions or otherwise as "mitigation" I do not believe
- 22 is correct, and it's confusing. They've -- apparently
- 23 are commitments being made on behalf of certain witness.
- 24 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: We will refer to
- 25 them as steps.

1 MR. EMRICK: If there were, in your mind, or if

- 2 you know or if you've thought about it, if there is some
- 3 disagreement between a particular landowner and DWR over
- 4 which mitigation measure to take, would there be a
- 5 process to resolve that outside of suing DWR or coming
- 6 back before this Board somehow?
- 7 What would you expect if you said -- DWR says,
- 8 hypothetically, "We think you need a well," and the
- 9 landowner says, "Oh, I think you need to move my
- 10 diversion"?
- 11 MS. ANSLEY: I think -- objection, that calls
- 12 for legal conclusion, legal advice about how a landowner
- 13 would enforce what Mr. Bednarski is testifying are the
- 14 steps that DWR has committed to.
- 15 And so I think this is beyond his purview and
- 16 beyond the scope.
- 17 MR. EMRICK: Well, my question has to do, if I
- 18 can explain, is you're making commitments that you'll --
- 19 I guess you, on behalf of DWR, will take certain
- 20 measures here: provide a new groundwater well, temporary
- 21 river diversion, move Ms. Womack's diversion if
- 22 permanent.
- 23 My question is have you given any consideration
- or are you aware of any consideration on DWR's part for
- 25 any sort of dispute resolution if there's disagreement

- 1 over what -- which of these measures, steps, the
- 2 landowner wants to take and maybe DWR disagrees with
- 3 that?
- 4 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: To your knowledge,
- 5 Mr. Bednarski, has there been discussion of any such
- 6 dispute resolution process?
- 7 WITNESS BEDNARSKI: I'm not aware of that.
- 8 MR. EMRICK: What if it comes to be that a
- 9 particular step that DWR wants to take or the landowner
- 10 wants to take is proven to be infeasible and there's no
- 11 feasible alternative? What then?
- 12 Does the landowner have to sue? Is there a
- 13 process that DWR will have for dispute resolution within
- 14 the CWF?
- 15 MS. ANSLEY: I would state an objection that
- 16 that question became very compound. The beginning part
- 17 called for a legal conclusion about whether the
- 18 landowner would have to sue the DWR on any particular
- 19 grounds.
- 20 And I believe the end of the question was then
- 21 back to whether the DWR will have a dispute resolution
- 22 mechanism. And Mr. Bednarski, of course, may answer to
- 23 the best of his knowledge based on his personal
- 24 experience here, if that's how Mr. Emrick would like to
- 25 rephrase the question based on my objection.

- 1 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Yes.
- 2 Answer that question, Mr. Bednarski. Good
- 3 luck.
- 4 MR. EMRICK: All I'm trying --
- 5 WITNESS BEDNARSKI: Could somebody summarize
- 6 that again? I --
- 7 MR. EMRICK: All I'm trying to -- it's a
- 8 complex question for -- just looking for an easy answer,
- 9 which is, if there's a dispute over these steps between
- 10 DWR and the landowner, is there or has DWR given any
- 11 consideration to how that dispute would be resolved?
- 12 Litigation, come before the Board, come up with a
- 13 dispute resolution?
- 14 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: And Mr. Emrick, how
- 15 is that question different from the last question you
- 16 asked to which Mr. Bednarski has answered to his
- 17 knowledge there is no dispute resolution process?
- 18 MR. EMRICK: Okay.
- 19 MS. WOMACK: So could that be part of a permit
- 20 process? I mean, I'm just --
- 21 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: That's up to you.
- 22 I'm not going to suggest any arguments on your behalf.
- 23 MS. WOMACK: Yeah, yeah. Because I mean --
- 24 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Ms. Womack, let's
- 25 move on to your next line of questioning.

1 MS. WOMACK: Okay. Yeah. We've got so many

- 2 questions. Oh my goodness.
- 3 So let's see. Should we start with
- 4 Mr. Chilmakuri or --
- 5 MR. EMRICK: If you would like to start with
- 6 Mr. Chilmakuri you can.
- 7 MS. WOMACK: Okay. That would be good. I'm
- 8 going to double-check with Mr. Bednarski's, that I'm
- 9 done.
- 10 You know, I have still my questions that were
- 11 never answered, and I need to go back and make sure that
- 12 those questions that are relevant, that I've asked all
- 13 of those.
- 14 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Then let's do it.
- MS. WOMACK: Okay.
- 16 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: I would prefer not
- 17 to have to call these witnesses back next week, but I
- 18 also don't want to be here till 8:00 o'clock at night,
- 19 so let's get moving, please.
- 20 Actually, let me check with Debbie.
- 21 Do you need a break?
- 22 (Discussion off the record)
- MR. EMRICK: I can ask questions of
- 24 Dr. Chilmakuri while Ms. Womack --
- 25 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Please do.

1 MR. EMRICK. Dr. Chilmakuri, I'm Matthew Emrick

- 2 assisting Ms. Womack today. We've talked before. And I
- 3 appreciated your testimony and frankness previously.
- 4 What I'd like to do is start you off by going
- 5 to Page 3 of your testimony, DWR-1421.
- 6 Line 23, you state that the DSM-2 boundary
- 7 condition time series for Jones Pumping Plant exports
- 8 from the South Delta channels reflects the operations of
- 9 the control structure.
- That's wrong. Excuse me.
- 11 "DSM-2 model used to analyze the salinity and
- 12 water levels in the Delta for CWF...included a
- 13 representation of the control structure operations even
- 14 though the control structure itself was not explicitly
- 15 included in DSM-2."
- What do you mean by that?
- 17 WITNESS CHILMAKURI: It means that the metric
- 18 inputs or the control structure inputs that are -- that
- 19 we provide incorporated in DSM-2 did not include that
- 20 control structure we were discussing.
- 21 MR. EMRICK: So in doing the modeling, the
- 22 control structure wasn't considered; is that correct?
- 23 WITNESS CHILMAKURI: The physical footprint of
- 24 the control structure, how it would fit within the DMC
- 25 intake channel was not part of the model.

- 1 MR. EMRICK: When you did the modeling, was
- 2 inflow to the Jones Pumping Plant intake channel blocked
- 3 at times to represent the closure of the control
- 4 structure?
- 5 WITNESS CHILMAKURI: No. That's exactly what
- 6 I'm stating there. The way we modeled that is by
- 7 turning off the diversion from the Jones Pumping
- 8 Plant -- at the Jones Pumping Plant to reflect the --
- 9 basically the fact that we're not diverting anything
- 10 from South Delta channels directly, which would be to
- operate consistent with shutting down the control
- 12 structure.
- 13 MR. EMRICK: If I could go to Page 4 of your
- 14 testimony, Lines 6 through 19, starting with, "The
- 15 control structures" on Line 6 and concluding with
- 16 "analysis of CWF H3+" on Line 19.
- 17 With respect to this testimony, how does it
- 18 relate specifically to CCLP and its diversion
- 19 structure?
- 20 WITNESS CHILMAKURI: I was explaining the
- 21 reason I provided that information is basically to
- 22 indicate that DSM-2 -- what the DSM-2 inputs were
- 23 specifically and what they were not.
- I just wanted to make sure that the -- I mean,
- 25 there's enough evidence or testimony in the record that

- 1 where you can find that information of what's in the
- 2 model and what's not in the model.
- 3 MR. EMRICK: I guess my question, maybe I
- 4 misunderstood, is how this relates specifically to the
- 5 CCLP's diversion and impacts from the -- from the
- 6 Cal WaterFix.
- 7 MS. ANSLEY: And I'm going to object as vague
- 8 and ambiguous.
- 9 Is what you're asking is how Dr. Chilmakuri's
- 10 modeling applies to CCLP?
- 11 MR. EMRICK: How his -- how his testimony is
- 12 here with respect to -- bathymetric inputs for DSM-2,
- 13 how does that relate to any analysis of impacts for
- 14 CCLP?
- 15 WITNESS CHILMAKURI: We used the DSM-2 model to
- 16 analyze the expected water quality changes and the water
- 17 level changes in the Old River, which is what I
- 18 presented in this testimony.
- 19 And I was providing this information to make
- 20 any readers clear what -- where they can look at the
- 21 information to see what was included and what was not
- 22 included in the model with respect to CCLP diversion or
- 23 the control structure we are proposing.
- 24 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: But does this not
- 25 apply to everything and not just CCLP?

1 WITNESS CHILMAKURI: Yeah, because that's the

- 2 same model we use for everything. But it's also
- 3 applicable for CCLP.
- 4 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: But not specific to
- 5 CCLP?
- 6 WITNESS CHILMAKURI: Nothing's -- I mean, it's
- 7 not specific -- the only part that's specific to CCLP is
- 8 the fact that I'm saying it's not explicitly
- 9 represented. And I'm just providing references where
- 10 you can see that.
- 11 MR. EMRICK: Then I would move to limit his
- 12 testimony to what he just stated and to strike the rest
- 13 of this.
- 14 MS. ANSLEY: Oh, and I would -- I would like to
- 15 respond.
- 16 And though I would hate to quibble with the
- 17 Hearing Officer about the use of the word "specific to
- 18 CCLP, " it is unclear. Dr. Chilmakuri is providing
- 19 testimony here that he -- his testimony states that it's
- 20 his opinion that this modeling at the Jones Pumping
- 21 Plant is indicative of conditions in the stretch of the
- 22 DMC in which the CCLP diversion intake is present.
- 23 And certainly Dr. Chilmakuri can speak for
- 24 himself.
- 25 So to say that this does not specifically take

1 into account the CCLP assumes facts not in evidence, and

- 2 it's not -- it's a misstatement of Dr. Chilmakuri's
- 3 testimony.
- 4 And so boxing him in here when he's explained
- 5 that this page is providing the model assumptions that
- 6 he used to reach -- for accuracy and completeness of the
- 7 record that he used to reach his conclusions about
- 8 conditions in that channel I think is a misstatement of
- 9 his testimony.
- 10 So I think we've gotten a little bit confused.
- 11 And I think that -- and that is why I would oppose any
- 12 motion to strike here because I think we are talking at
- 13 cross purposes, and that is not what Dr. Chilmakuri
- 14 said.
- 15 MR. EMRICK: I would object. I think
- 16 Ms. Ansley is actually testifying on behalf of
- 17 Mr. Chilmakuri.
- 18 What I'm just asking is why is this relevant to
- 19 CCLP? I understand that there's -- that there's, you
- 20 know, modeling that's been done, and background to the
- 21 modeling. I'm just trying to understand why he chose to
- 22 put this --
- 23 MS. ANSLEY: And that is a much more clear
- 24 question.
- 25 MR. EMRICK: -- put this into your testimony

- 1 with respect to CCLP.
- 2 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Okay.
- 3 WITNESS CHILMAKURI: Yeah. And I was trying to
- 4 explain that, and maybe I was not very clear.
- 5 So I can walk you through individual pieces of
- 6 why I include it. For example, we can start on Line 17;
- 7 I referenced DWR-1142, Appendix 5-E.
- 8 The reason I included that is it is important
- 9 to review that appendix, which is where the DSM-2
- 10 modeling methodology has been described, the -- how the
- 11 -- what the exemptions were, the inputs were described.
- 12 That's where you will find information that the -- the
- 13 effect -- the operation of the control structure is
- 14 reflected through the boundary condition of Jones
- 15 Pumping Plant.
- 16 And you cannot find that anywhere else, so I'm
- 17 providing references here in the record that -- that
- 18 would just corroborate what I'm saying in here.
- 19 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Mr. Emrick, do you
- 20 still wish to file an objection?
- 21 MR. EMRICK: I do because I still think that
- 22 this testimony is in here for potentially other uses.
- 23 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: You do not --
- 24 MR. EMRICK: And I don't know how it relates
- 25 to CCLP, but that's -- I'll leave my objection at

- 1 that.
- 2 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: We'll take that
- 3 objection and Ms. Ansley's response under consideration.
- 4 Ms. Meserve.
- 5 MS. MESERVE: Yes, and this is just to support
- 6 Mr. Emrick's objection, I think those of us who had
- 7 belief that we would have an opportunity to
- 8 cross-examine this panel were concerned that this
- 9 testimony went beyond just the CCLP diversion.
- 10 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Understood.
- 11 MS. MESERVE: And so that's why we also agree
- 12 with that objection.
- 13 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Understood, which is
- 14 why we will take that under consideration.
- 15 MR. EMRICK: Thank you.
- 16 Also on Page 4, last sentence, you state that
- 17 you've identified and extracted specific data for the
- 18 location within DSM-2 results near the junction of Old
- 19 River and Jones Pumping Plant intake channel, which is
- 20 presented below.
- 21 My question is in DSM-2 there's nodes, correct,
- 22 in which you look at water quality?
- 23 WITNESS CHILMAKURI: Yes.
- 24 MR. EMRICK: Yes. And for this statement, are
- 25 you using Node 181?

- 1 WITNESS CHILMAKURI: I'm using an output
- 2 location called ROLD046.
- 3 MR. EMRICK: And how does that relate to Node
- 4 182 or 179?
- 5 WITNESS CHILMAKURI: I need to look at the base
- 6 DSM-2 grid. If you have that, I can help answer.
- 7 MR. EMRICK: So Exhibit State Water Resources
- 8 Control Board 102, Appendix 5-A, Section B,
- 9 Attachment 6.
- 10 All I'm trying to find is where this
- 11 information was gathered from, how close to CCLP this
- 12 was.
- 13 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: As that is being
- 14 pulled up, Mr. Emrick or Ms. Womack, could either of you
- 15 give me a time estimate for the remaining cross that you
- 16 have?
- 17 MR. EMRICK: Without objections, 20 minutes to
- 18 a half hour.
- 19 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: In that case, then,
- 20 we will try accomplish it today.
- MR. EMRICK: Appendix 5-A, sorry. 5-A.
- MS. WOMACK: Yeah. And --
- MR. EMRICK: Section B.
- MS. WOMACK: And I have -- in these questions,
- 25 I've identified five or six that I need to ask.

- 1 MR. EMRICK: Attachment 6. Thank you.
- 2 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: I'm sorry. That's
- 3 in addition to the 20 minutes to half an hour that
- 4 Mr. Emrick proposed?
- 5 MS. WOMACK: Well, these are questions that I
- 6 submitted.
- 7 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Is that in addition
- 8 to Mr. Emrick's response?
- 9 MS. WOMACK: Yes, because of the water quality,
- 10 yeah.
- 11 WITNESS CHILMAKURI: Mr. Long, the link --
- 12 there was actually a separate link to that attachment,
- just to speed this up. You can scroll down.
- MS. WOMACK: Now you say. Oh, my goodness.
- 15 WITNESS CHILMAKURI: You can see there is
- 16 additional modeling Section D, Attachment 6. Right
- 17 there, you can see. Keep going down, down. Keep going.
- 18 Yep, right there.
- MR. EMRICK: Page 9?
- 20 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: And I've been
- 21 advised that we do have a hard stop at 5:00 today, so it
- 22 looks like we will ask you to return on Monday.
- 23 WITNESS CHILMAKURI: Zoom in towards the
- 24 south -- yeah, keep going down. Sorry. Wrong page.
- MR. EMRICK: Page 9.

1 WITNESS CHILMAKURI: Yeah, you see that circle

- 2 with "1"? Can you please zoom into that area, please,
- 3 at the bottom left.
- 4 So the output that I -- outputs that I'm
- 5 presenting in my testimony, what I'm calling as near the
- 6 junction of Old River and Jones Pumping Plant intake
- 7 channel, was on Channel 80, ROLD '46, do you see that?
- 8 MS. WOMACK: No. No. Oh, I see 80.
- 9 WITNESS CHILMAKURI: And ROLD '46 is designated
- 10 as the Old River Channel at the junction of Old River
- 11 and Jones Pumping Plant intake channel. You can see
- 12 that on the map as well.
- 13 MS. WOMACK: The 80, is that within the Tracy
- 14 Fish Facility?
- 15 WITNESS CHILMAKURI: It's in Old River Channel.
- MS. WOMACK: Is 181 the Tracy Pumping Plant?
- 17 WITNESS CHILMAKURI: Yes, that's where the --
- 18 that boundary condition for Jones Pumping Plant export
- 19 is applied in DSM-2.
- MS. WOMACK: And what is 179? Is that 179
- 21 right at the next link up?
- 22 WITNESS CHILMAKURI: It's within the Jones
- 23 intake channel, Jones Pumping Plant intake channel.
- 24 MS. WOMACK: Okay. Then 70 is -- I'm just
- 25 trying to --

1 WITNESS CHILMAKURI: 70 is the junction between

- 2 Old River and intake channel.
- 3 MS. WOMACK: So is that the Tracy Fish
- 4 Facility?
- 5 WITNESS CHILMAKURI: Yeah. It's -- as far as I
- 6 know, the Tracy Fish Facility is within the intake
- 7 channel itself. It's not -- it's a little bit where --
- 8 MS. WOMACK: The boundary -- Old River goes
- 9 directly by, and that's where they picked all the --
- 10 WITNESS CHILMAKURI: Yes, that's approximately
- 11 where the Node 70 would be.
- MS. WOMACK: Okay. And then 80 is on Old
- 13 River, so kind of not quite there. Is 80 on Old River?
- 14 WITNESS CHILMAKURI: Yes.
- MS. WOMACK: Okay. But why isn't it in front
- 16 of the Tracy Fish Facility? I guess -- because that
- 17 would be closer to Jones.
- 18 MS. ANSLEY: Are you asking why the location of
- 19 80 was placed where it is when it was done?
- 20 MR. EMRICK: I think what they're trying to
- 21 determine is -- and you can correct me if I'm wrong
- 22 Suzanne -- is how these nodes, these numbers relate in
- 23 proximity to Ms. Womack's CCLP's diversion.
- 24 WITNESS CHILMAKURI: Right. And I'm trying to
- 25 explain that. That is the -- in fact, going back to the

- 1 previous issue that you raised, Mr. Emrick, that's
- 2 exactly why I was including that information in my
- 3 testimony, so it's easier for anyone to go back and
- 4 reference and find out where those -- what those nodes
- 5 mean and what the inputs were.
- 6 But coming back to your question. ROLD'46,
- 7 that station, as noted on the grid, is at the junction
- 8 or near the junction of the Old River and Tracy intake
- 9 channel. And that's the output location I'm using to
- 10 prepare the results that I presented in my testimony
- 11 today.
- MS. WOMACK: I -- yeah, that looks to be
- 13 further in. Is the blue the Old River and the channel?
- 14 WITNESS CHILMAKURI: Correct.
- MS. WOMACK: Because -- yeah. Where that is
- 16 located is around the bend from Tracy Fish Facility.
- 17 WITNESS CHILMAKURI: Ms. Womack, what I can
- 18 tell you is, just based on the -- the level of precision
- 19 we have in DSM-2 model is the water quality results in
- 20 Channel 80 would be reflective of or very similar to
- 21 what you would see in Channel 214.
- MS. WOMACK: But is my diversion in 214?
- 23 WITNESS CHILMAKURI: Again, this is the point I
- 24 made in my previous testimony. We don't have that level
- 25 of specificity in DSM-2 model, meaning that your

- 1 diversion is not explicitly modeled in there. And the
- 2 control structure is not modeled in there.
- 3 It's a representation of the Jones Pumping
- 4 Plant intake channel. And the -- the best information
- 5 we can get out of it is what we can -- what the water --
- 6 I mean, we are trying to simulate what the water levels
- 7 may be with and without project. And that's the result
- 8 I'm showing you right there.
- 9 I cannot tell you exactly what the water level
- 10 will be at your intake. That's not the purpose of this
- 11 model.
- 12 What I'm trying --
- MS. WOMACK: My farmer -- so I cannot tell my
- 14 farmer the impact of this WaterFix on his pumping?
- MS. ANSLEY: That's vague and ambiguous. We've
- 16 testified to the extent of Dr. Chilmakuri's knowledge.
- 17 He's made clear the bounds of what he is testifying to
- 18 and what he is not testifying to. So that, in a sense,
- 19 is asked and answered. He's explained the level of
- 20 specificity in his analysis.
- 21 WITNESS CHILMAKURI: But I do want to add one
- 22 point, that the -- I'm showing you there is expected
- 23 changes because of the WaterFix operations at your
- 24 intake. And that's in the Figure 4 with respect to when
- 25 the control structure gate is open.

1 Now, when the control structure gate is closed,

- 2 we would need the hydraulic modeling that Mr. Bednarski
- 3 referenced.
- 4 MS. WOMACK: Could we put up the control
- 5 structure, the DWR-1305. I think it's Page 87, PDF 87,
- 6 looking at the control structure. Because you're --
- 7 gosh, it must be -- 87, 88, 89? Is that 89? Is that --
- 8 did we start at 87? There's like three. I'm looking
- 9 for the picture. 87, 88, 89 -- you went by it.
- 10 That's the control structure.
- 11 So the No Action Alternative, is that your --
- 12 Mr. Chilmakuri or Mr. Bednarski, that says that the No
- 13 Action Alternative and having the gates open are the
- 14 same for the water levels?
- 15 WITNESS BEDNARSKI: We've provided at least two
- 16 different alternatives for the control structure. This
- 17 is one of them. We do not have a final configuration
- 18 for that. We will be developing that as we get into
- 19 preliminary and final design and do our hydraulic
- 20 modeling.
- 21 But if our goal is to keep the water levels in
- the channel basically the same as they are now, I don't
- 23 expect that we would use something like this because the
- 24 way the structure obstructs the channel, we're going to
- 25 get a lot of hydraulic losses across that structure.

- 1 and so you would see a much lower elevation on the
- 2 downstream side.
- I would expect we're going to use some type of
- 4 a radial gate structure that can be lifted entirely out
- 5 of the water in order to preserve the current tidal
- 6 influence in that channel and keep us within the water
- 7 surface elevations that we presently have at the Jones
- 8 Pumping Plant, which would translate to basically
- 9 attempting to keep your water level at your diversion
- 10 point where it is now, riding on the tidal influence.
- 11 MS. WOMACK: But you don't -- you don't have
- 12 any -- and the radial gates, these are the radial gates
- 13 like the radial gates at the Clifton Court Forebay are
- 14 stuck -- one's been stuck open for two years?
- 15 I'm just trying to figure what it would look
- 16 like because this, to me, impedes my property control --
- 17 this impedes the waterway.
- 18 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: The question, rather
- 19 than argument please.
- 20 MS. WOMACK: The question -- so your answer,
- 21 let me, just to clarify. Your answer is you're not
- 22 using this, but you don't have anything that shows what
- 23 you are using?
- 24 WITNESS BEDNARSKI: No. I think, as I've tried
- 25 to explain several times, we have several concepts for

- 1 this location. Once we do our hydraulic modeling and
- 2 understand what restrictions we have, we would then
- 3 narrow the choices to a preferred alternative.
- 4 And one of the criteria for that alternative
- 5 would be to have minimum or no disruption to the current
- 6 water surface elevation fluctuations that occur during
- 7 the -- kind of the tidal sequence. And that will take
- 8 place in the next stages of design.
- 9 MS. WOMACK: Where are those documents that
- 10 show the different control structure because I'm very
- 11 intend in how -- what this is going to look like?
- 12 WITNESS BEDNARSKI: Well, if Mr. Long can go up
- 13 one page, we have another alternative that we listed as
- 14 a radial gate option. And then if you go to the next
- 15 one, we have another --
- MS. WOMACK: I can't --
- 17 WITNESS BEDNARSKI: Just the next page up, we
- 18 do have another option that we've listed.
- 19 So we've shown several different options that
- 20 could conceivably be used at the different locations.
- 21 And that's what we've attempted to do here is have,
- 22 again, a menu that we can further develop in preliminary
- 23 and final design to meet this hydraulic criteria that we
- 24 know we have to meet.
- 25 MS. WOMACK: Is there a reason that you don't

- 1 have pictures? You have a picture of one. You have --
- 2 I thought these were all the same radial gate because --
- 3 well, you know, because the -- I don't know which -- it
- 4 says it's a control structure. I don't know --
- 5 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: And your question?
- 6 MS. WOMACK: Well, do you have pictures of
- 7 them, what they look like? You have the one picture
- 8 that you say you're not going to use, the 1305.
- 9 Where are the other pictures?
- 10 MS. ANSLEY: And I'm going to lodge an
- 11 objection. This argumentative. These are the
- 12 schematics he's showing where the operations are laid
- 13 out. It lacks foundation that there should be pictures
- 14 necessarily in the CER map book or drawings.
- 15 And so I think that the question is frankly
- 16 just argumentative. If she wants to ask if there are
- 17 other representations like that one in this document or
- 18 any other document, that's a little differently framed
- 19 than how this is now being framed.
- 20 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Sustained.
- MS. WOMACK: I could ask it that way. Are
- 22 there other documents that look like this anywhere in
- 23 the CER? Or the -- I want information.
- 24 WITNESS BEDNARSKI: We'll be preparing that
- 25 information in preliminary design. We'd be happy to

- 1 share that with you at that time.
- 2 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: All right. Thank
- 3 you.
- 4 On that, note we're going to adjourn for the
- 5 week.
- 6 Mr. Mizell.
- 7 MR. MIZELL: Yes, I have a quick question that
- 8 maybe Mr. Emrick can ask -- or answer, sorry.
- 9 In the question that followed the motion to
- 10 strike, it became quite clear why Dr. Chilmakuri has the
- 11 technical data contained in Page 4, Lines 6 through 19.
- 12 When he was he questioned about the accuracy of
- 13 DSM-2, we went into the node charts and into the
- 14 cross-sections and actually spent some time discussing
- which are closest to CCLP's diversion point and which
- 16 would be most accurate.
- 17 At this time, does Mr. Emrick wish to withdraw
- 18 his motion to strike?
- 19 MR. EMRICK: No. Thank you.
- 20 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Thank you. On that
- 21 note, we will adjourn until 9:30 on Monday. We will see
- 22 you then.
- MR. EMRICK: Thank you.
- 24 (Whereupon, the proceedings recessed
- 25 at 4:54 p.m.)

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