

## Packard, Harvey@Waterboards

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**Subject:** Item # 13 Re: Upcoming Central Coast Water Board Meeting

Dear Mr. Packard,

Please add the following comments to the packet that the Board receives in advance of their meeting on May 25, 2014 regarding Item #13:  
[Options for Enforcement of Los Osos Basin Plan Prohibition and Consideration of Resolution Terminating Individual Cease and Desist Orders.](#) Thank you.

As a CAO recipient (No. R3-2006-1015) I was disappointed in reading the staff recommendation to the Board which calls for "leaving the individual enforcement orders in place."

I believe all the reasons given in support of your recommendation are without warrant given the enormous progress made on the Waste Water System by the county and the community. **In the first place please don't overlook that the community overwhelming passed the 218 vote giving you and your board a clear indication of community support.**

However it is in the third point of the staff's recommendation that I find the most objectionable and totally unnecessary, *"Even when the system is available, there may be dischargers in the prohibition zone who are reluctant or refuse to hook up. Leaving these orders in place maintains a disincentive for order recipients to continue violating the prohibition after construction of the sewer system."*

I find this position especially without merit as it only serves to take the community back to the days of rancor due to its threatening nature and tone.

It's time to hit the "re-set" button. As such, I have another option for consideration by yourself and the Board:

When the system becomes available, the Board can reserve the right to take action **against those specific discharges who are not connecting to the system.**

Those of us who randomly received "Orders" are not a true cross-section of Los Ososans. Given what we've been through, I believe a vast majority of us are more than willing to connect to the system once it is finished.

Please do not hold us hostage any longer. It was a highhanded and unprecedented method of wide-spread community coercion not befitting an agency with the legislative charter that you have.

Please correct that error in judgement made by your predecessor, when you make your presentation to the Board that, when the time comes, they should pursue only those who are swimming against the current of the Board's mandates and the majority of the community.

We holders of "Orders" have shown good faith during this process. Now is the time for the Board to do the same. Please change your recommendation to terminating the orders.

Yours truly,  
Tim Rochte