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**PUBLIC COMMENTOR 238 - BOB OTTENSMEYER, SEPTEMBER 24, 1996**

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Good afternoon, ladies and gentlemen. Commander bob Ottensmeyer, U.S. Navy retired, 2266 Molly Court in Santa Rosa. A rate payer. That's why I'm here .

I concur wholeheartedly in the Sonoma taxpayers's presentation and I'm not going to repeat any of that. I believe that the EIR/EIS, considering how many hoops it has to jump through from regulatory agencies, is a pretty good job. And I've heard statements to the effect that not all available information, scientific information that's available has been included. Well, you have to call a halt sometime and start working on the project. Because tomorrow they're going to discover something else, and if we wait for tomorrow to include the latest, we'll never get anywhere.

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Next thing, reuse, who pays for it? The rate payer or the user?

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Where did the water come from? The Russian River. You send it back, you're recycling it. What's wrong with that?

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**Mayor Wright:**

Excuse me, he has the floor, go ahead, Bob.

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**BOB OTTENSMEYER:**

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Partnership to solve problems by having many small storage areas, and what have you, is very nice, but it costs money, and to use that to reduce the economical impact, I don't buy. I don't want it reduced, I want it eliminated if possible, as a rate payer. And that is all I have. Thank you very much.

**Mayor Wright:**

Frances Shurtliff, followed by Bob Smithfield, followed by Craig Lawson.