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Mr. John Ainsworth  
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Via email: [John.Ainsworth@coastal.ca.gov](mailto:John.Ainsworth@coastal.ca.gov)

**RE: Application No. 9-19-0918 and Appeal No. A-3-MRA-19-0034 (California American Water Company)**

Dear Mr. Ainsworth:

On behalf of the Board of the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District, I am writing to encourage the California Coastal Commission to deny the Coastal Development Permit for California American Water Company's proposed desalination facility.

- Pure Water Monterey (PWM) expansion is a feasible alternative to the desalination facility. PWM is an advanced water purification facility that is already producing water for potable supply. The expansion could be constructed in approximately 20 months.
- PWM expansion has less adverse environmental impact than the proposed desalination facility, and no new construction in the coastal zone.
- PWM expansion is more than sufficient to lift the Cease and Desist Order in our community. Based on the most recent pumping and demand history, only approximately 800 acre-feet per year (afy) of new supply is required to do so – at 2,250 afy PWM expansion is more than sufficient.
- Based on the report titled "*Supply and Demand for Water on the Monterey Peninsula*" adopted by the District on May 18, 2020, PWM expansion provides a new water supply sufficient to meet the future needs of the Peninsula for the next 20 to 30 years.
- While both proposed water supply projects meet the current and future needs of the Peninsula, PWM expansion will save the ratepayers approximately \$1 billion compared to desalination over a 30-year lifecycle.

Desalination can be looked at for providing the next increment of water needed on the Peninsula,

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and perhaps regionally, somewhere down the road when additional supplies appear to be required.

Thank you for your consideration of the District's position.

Sincerely,



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Monterey Peninsula Water Management District



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Dear Mr. Ainsworth:

On behalf of the Board of the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District, I am writing to encourage the California Coastal Commission to issue a Coastal Development Permit for California American Water Company's proposed desalination facility, as part of the Monterey Peninsula Water Supply Project.

Since 2012, the District has been a supporter of a desalination facility as part of an integrated portfolio of water supply projects. We see the proposed project, or a down-sized version of it, as an important part of that portfolio.

Thank you for your consideration of the District's position.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "David Stoldt". The signature is written in a cursive style.

David Stoldt  
General Manager  
Monterey Peninsula Water Management District