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Subject: RE: Public Meeting of the OPUC regarding PPWSC DOCKET UM 1665
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From: Mary Ellen White [mailto:mycek@earthlink.net]
Sent: Monday, October 05, 2015 10:46 AM
To: Susan Brown
Cc: BROCK Malia
Subject: re: Public Meeting of the OPUC regarding PPWSC

Dear Susan and Curry county commissioners,

I am belatedly (I was out of town until recently.) letting you know of the public meeting on Tuesday, Oct. 6th at which the PUC will appoint regents and establish rates for Pigeon Point Water. I am fully in favor of all the proposals put forward by the PUC with regards to Pigeon Point Water with one exception: I do not think any property owners should be able to opt out of the system. I am in fact worried that all Pigeon Point property owners will opt out: the Macalusos because they would rather steal water from others, and the rest because they don't want to pay for a system from which the Macalusos would steal.

Here are my worst fears:

1) FIRE. As a resident of California, a state which has all but burnt down this year, I can't believe that any development could legally be left waterless-- even by choice. Surely a developer is required to provide a water source for all the properties within a development. Surely, by the same token, all the property owners within that development must maintain the water system provided. How can property owners waive this security feature? And what would be the cost to the county for them doing so?

2) INSURANCE. Will it be possible for any property owner at Pigeon Point to get insurance if he and all his neighbors have no regular source of water?

3) SANITATION. I know that Curry county does not allow people to buy property and then to squat on that property without any means of sanitation. Would the same apply to a home which, while fitted with toilets and showers and other means of sanitation, elected to have no regular source of water?

I am hoping that Curry county has some regulations regarding water that would convince the PUC to remove the opt out option for all the property owners at Pigeon Point or any other development. I hope you can help here. Sorry to be so late in seeking help.

Sincerely, Mary Ellen White/ Oct.

5th, 2015