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To the Board Members of CAWD,

I write with apologies for sending this at the last minute (health emergency) and with appreciation for all the work that has gone into the Corona sewer project.

I am essentially in agreement with the letter others have signed and submitted. I would add and emphasize concern for those who have working septic systems and would essentially be required to pay for something they don't need. The original proposal, including an opt-out until and if a septic system needed replacement, had my support. I feel that needs to be reinstated.

Material supporting the sewer proposal included the suggestion that a new septic would cost \$100,000. According to the regulations regarding this (thank you, Kate Daniels for the link to this), that depends on the geology for each situation. I am told that there have been recent examples in the area where new systems have cost far less.

I think this proposal needs to go back to the drawing board. That would mean a delay, but it seems likely that interest rates will continue to fall from their current level - approving this proposal now means we're locking ourselves into a relatively high interest rate for 30 years.

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