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Subject: FW: Proposed Ejector Pump Policy Objections
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Please include Mr. Armey's email in Public Comments

From: Douglas Armey <douglas.armey@gmail.com>
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To: Barbara Buikema <Buikema@cawd.org>
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Dear Ms. Buikema,

I am aware that at your Board Meeting scheduled for February 23, 2023 you plan to vote on your "Proposed Ejector Pump Policy" dated February 23,2023.

First, as I have requested and your organization has confirmed I am supposed to receive notice of all CAWD actions that will affect the Pescadero Road Sewer Main project.

I have not received the requested and promised notice of this action. So I am stating this as a formal complaint.

As to the policy itself I have two main objections.

First, under Point 3 (a) it states: "CAWD shall provide maintenance services for the ejector pumps installed under the terms identified in Section 2(a) for 10 years from the date of original installation and utilize remote monitoring services."

My objection is that I pay fees for CAWD to provide infrastructure and maintenance necessary for my home to have waste water service. And currently that service has no time limit.

Under your proposed policy, if I am required to have an ejector pump, I will still be paying fees for CAWD to provide waste water service. But now you want to limit the time to 10 years for CAWD to provide all necessary infrastructure and maintenance. A time limit on CAWD's responsibility is not acceptable since it is not currently required and the fees will still be ongoing.

Second, under Point 3(d) it states: "The ejector pump system includes adequate holding time but in the event of a sustained power outage CAWD crews will utilize a portable generator that connects directly to the ejector pump station to pump down the sewage."

The term "sustained power outage" needs to be precisely defined and reasonable. The homes in Pescadero Canyon are subject to frequent and lengthy sustained power outages. I feel that 4 hours is a reasonable definition of "sustained power outage."

I am requesting that this email be included in information the board will receive so it can be taken into consideration prior to a final vote of the board on this proposal.

I would also appreciate an email response to my email.

Thank you,

Doug Armev