

November 9, 2006

Dear CEC:

As a registered Participant I was able to attend the PVWC hearing during the day on November 7. I have also read material relating to its plan to pipe water from the Sandilands to its members.

The single most striking feature of this scheme is the cavalier attitude that prevails regarding conservation and demand management. The pursuit of these inevitable goals is embodied in much more than increasing the price for water. This is simply a form of inflation for which businesses, professionals and individuals will compensate by raising their prices, fees and salary demands. Real conservation and demand management is much more proactive and aggressive.

It was clear on November 7 that the PVWC will not be proactive or aggressive. Further proof is in the applicant's failure to comply with your Recommendation #1 from 1994.

The PVWC is trying to grow its way to sustainability. This is oxymoronic. It cannot be done.

The CEC should dismiss the application from the PVWC, just as the PVWC dismissed your 1994 recommendation.

Yours truly,  
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