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Meeting Date	January 6, 2021
Agenda Item Number	D MOD TO CUP #6222
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Comments	<p>Buried in the small print of the FEIR is the admission from PWP that the spreading basins are clogged with silt.</p> <p>Over the last 5 years PWP have failed to produce one scrap of science to support their claim that diverting yet more water into these basins will improve aquifer re-charge.</p> <p>The science that is available — signed and stated by professional hydrologists — suggests the opposite..</p> <p>PWP pretend that in our hot dry climate it does not matter if our drinking water sits baking in</p>

surface ponds rather than finding the quickest way to percolate the water into the underground.

Many commenters support leaving low spring, summer and fall flows in the natural stream channel. These low flows will disappear into the underground long before any water reaches the dam. The stream will re-charge the aquifer directly at rates “by orders of magnitude” quicker than if the water is left to stagnate in new spreading ponds.

PWP refuse to consider this environmentally superior option.

This project will impact and imperil the City’s local water supply. It should not be approved by a single hearing officer. The FEIR should be referred to a full hearing of the City Council.

I consent to have my comment read out loud during the meeting.	Yes
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