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I have a number of questions to ask and give my commentary for this upcoming hearing. What I'd like to know. Is the current Raymond Basin water supply in an overdrawn condition? Is the Station Fire the only reason for this condition that has rendered the system unworkable for the last 11 years? If we are to improve the Basin will we be sharing the costs with the other cities and water company's that also have water rights to the basin and what agreements have been made to maintain the spreading ponds and calculate the pumping credits each will receive?

Were there problems even before the Station fire to the spreading ponds and were there other reasons that they weren't addressed before the Fire? As a member of the Pasadena public I believe the public has very little knowledge of the entire water works here in the city. This project might show great need for more information about Pre-1914 water rights, pumping credits, (AF), conservation efforts, spreading ponds and all the other terms associated with the surface water and ground water of the Raymond Basin. Then we also need to include the Arroyo Seco stream as well. Without the native stream pushing the water course from the mountains to the city and then some. We wouldn't even be talking about saving surface water. I guess at that point we would need another method to capture water for domestic uses?

I asked a recent Question to the PWP: "What will it take to reclaim a full water Raymond Basin and if so what will be the amount Pasadena has a right to draw from the Basin?" If we now have 33,000 (AF) banked and 90% of the basin would contain 1,400,000 (AF) from PWP figures. How many more (AF) rights would we have? The answer; Pasadena can only draw its water rights of 12,807 (AF) from the basin. So how are we really trying to make the Basin work for Pasadena to reach 50% MWD water and 50% Ground water from the Basin?

The City and PWP isn't offering a conservation plan to save water. In fact every time a new building is built with the developer bonus given to enlarge the building, more water is needed to service the building. There is no planning before hand about water. PWP just offers a "Will Serve Letter" with no information I've been given to say they have water to plan and give for all the new projects., Let alone everyone else already on the system.

Were there any other alternative methods given to solve and manage our Water supply without adequate rain fall to provide the gap? I believe there was another method and it should be given greater understand as a far greater solution. I have asked why we in Pasadena don't buy excessive MWD water and bank it into the Basin. MWD likes to keep the price of water more constant so instead of selling it at a reduced price they allow it to move to the ocean. Another solution would be to use some of the 52 million dollars coming our way to buy the water at the MWD price and Bank it in the basin to fill it up and then to manage it much better with more conservation efforts made by the city. Also impose a new surcharge to developers and others, to pay the fee to keep up the level of the Basin.

Then we can have the alternative, hike and fish in the stream and provide other outside activities to visitors and residents. Please take a look at a better future for us all and deny the MOD Cup #6222

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