From: james rogers

To: <u>California Water Commission</u>

Cc: <u>Teddy Goodrich</u>

Subject: Re: Valley Water"s update on Pacheco reservoir Date: Tuesday, October 17, 2023 2:20:54 PM

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On Oct 17, 2023, at 1:50 PM, james rogers <jrogers@garlic.com> wrote:

Dear Commissioners,

I am opposed to the Pacheco Dam project for several reasons. I live in the City Limits of Gilroy, approximately 15 miles west of the dam site. Here are my reasons:

- 1. No new water will be produced. Only water already in San Luis reservoir till be pumped up and into Pacheco at considerable cost.
- 2. Existing water sources such as conservation and recycling can be promoted to educate the public (like me) at much less cost. This will have a long term effect. Building the dam is a poor use of taxpayer money.
- 3. Our region, especially Hwy 152 east of Gilroy, will be heavily impacted by the truck traffic during construction. Hwy 152 is already very heavily traveled and the 12 mile 2 lane portion is very dangerous.
- 4. There will be great damage to both the human and wildlife habitat. Coe State Park will be affected.
- 5. Heritage lands of the Amah Mutsun tribe will be buried under the reservoir.

Please vote AGAINST establishing the Pacheco Dam. Our region will be harmed, not benefitted by it.

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