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Governor Jerry Brown
c/o State Capitol, Suite 1173
Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: Reconsideration of Cambria Community Services District Proposition 84 Grant Fund Award

Dear Governor Jerry Brown:

As President of the Cambria Community Services District (CCSD) Board of Directors, I am writing to inform you about our particularly severe drought situation, the efforts we have undertaken to deal with it, and the need for state grant funds to defray the heavy costs we and our ratepayers have incurred.

Cambria, population 6,000, is located in the heart of the "exceptional drought" zone. We depend on small aquifers of two streams, Santa Rosa Creek and San Simeon Creek, that historically are prone to dry out in prolonged droughts. We have no connections to the State Water Project, local pipelines or any other outside source.

For 13 years now, the community has been in a water shortage emergency condition under Section 350 of the State Water Code. We have conserved and accelerated that option this year. Each resident is allocated approximately 50 gallons of water per day. In addition to restricting the amount of water allocated to residents and businesses in our community, we have prohibited the use of potable water to irrigate outdoor landscaping. In the past five months, Cambrians reduced their consumption by more than 40% from last year.

As an emergency response the CCSD Directors contracted the installation of a water treatment system that would prevent wells from running out in the current drought and would stabilize our water supply in future droughts.

This Emergency Water Supply (EWS) project, which treats brackish water, is due to be completed in mid-November at a cost of nearly $9 million. This cost is being borne by our customers through a sizable rate increase.

Without the EWS project, we would be facing an unprecedented health and safety crisis this winter. Our application through San Luis Obispo County's IRWM process, for a Proposition 84 grant of $3.75 million is needed to defray a portion of the project cost and provide much-needed rate and budgetary relief.

The Department of Water Resources and San Luis Obispo County are seeking to resolve California Statewide Groundwater Elevation Monitoring (CASGEM) issue that initially led to a disqualification for all projects within the County's grant applications. I would like to stress not only our need for this grant but also the fact that the well data at issue between the County and DWR does not pertain to our aquifers.

Therefore, we ask that you consider the strong merits of Cambria's particular case, whether or not the administrative issue with the County is resolved.

I have attached 30 years of production records from our two well fields. As you will see, the reductions in use this year have been historic. We have been consuming water at levels not seen since a handful of months in the drought of the late 1980s and early 1990s – when, incidentally, Cambria was considerable smaller than it is now.

Thank you for considering this request.

Yours truly,

James Bahringer
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Cambria Community Services District

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Excerpt of CCSD Production Data

2014
CAMBRIA COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT
WATER PRODUCTION, BY SOURCE
ACRE-FEET

YEAR	SOURCE	JAN	FEB	MAR	APRIL	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG.	SEPT.	OCT.	NOV.	DEC.	1000.0 TOTAL	YEAR
1988	S.S.	51.20	57.90	63.20	47.30	57.40	44.20	50.00	51.70	41.90	37.40	27.40	36.00	585.60	1988
	S.R.	0.00	0.00	0.00	16.30	15.70	30.70	31.20	34.90	36.00	34.90	35.20	19.00	253.90	
	TOTAL	51.20	57.90	63.20	63.60	73.10	74.90	81.20	86.60	77.90	72.30	62.60	55.00	819.50	
1989	S.S.	51.00	47.90	53.90	61.90	57.20	62.20	69.20	60.90	36.30	38.70	42.60	40.60	622.40	1989
	S.R.	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.00	13.80	13.50	17.90	28.00	42.00	22.60	17.60	18.20	174.60	
	TOTAL	51.00	47.90	53.90	62.90	71.00	75.70	87.10	88.90	78.30	61.30	60.20	58.80	797.00	
1990	S.S.	45.70	47.00	55.28	44.75	31.46	32.34	40.00	38.00	31.91	31.40	26.40	29.80	457.14	1990
	S.R.	8.70	0.80	0.50	18.03	32.30	26.79	22.30	22.20	20.64	20.20	19.30	14.90	206.65	
	TOTAL	54.40	47.80	55.78	62.78	63.76	59.13	62.30	60.20	52.55	51.60	45.70	44.80	663.80	
1991	S.S.	26.90	23.10	32.70	39.60	48.60	44.10	40.10	34.80	30.50	28.00	26.40	30.10	404.90	1991
	S.R.	15.30	13.10	0.50	0.10	0.10	5.60	15.00	21.60	20.20	21.00	19.70	18.70	150.80	
	TOTAL	42.20	36.20	33.20	39.70	48.70	49.60	55.10	56.40	50.70	49.00	46.10	48.80	555.70	
1992	S.S.	45.30	42.20	45.90	55.20	64.00	58.10	44.90	41.80	35.00	32.80	34.00	43.10	542.30	1992
	S.R.	0.80	0.30	0.10	0.40	0.50	6.10	22.70	28.10	26.30	25.10	19.50	5.60	135.40	
	TOTAL	46.10	42.50	46.00	55.60	64.50	64.20	67.60	69.90	61.30	57.90	53.50	48.60	677.70	
1993	S.S.	50.10	45.70	52.60	56.30	68.30	68.80	68.10	69.80	58.80	56.10	51.40	43.50	690.50	1993
	S.R.	0.50	0.30	0.00	0.00	0.10	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.90	
	TOTAL	50.60	46.00	52.60	56.30	68.40	68.80	68.10	69.80	58.80	56.10	51.40	43.50	691.40	
1994	S.S.	47.00	38.60	48.60	52.00	54.60	63.40	69.30	47.80	31.70	30.80	28.20	26.00	538.00	1994
	S.R.	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.10	0.00	0.00	25.00	30.20	27.70	21.20	19.90	124.10	
	TOTAL	47.00	38.60	48.60	52.00	54.70	63.40	69.30	72.80	61.90	58.50	49.40	45.90	662.10	
1995	S.S.	41.30	41.10	47.10	52.14	53.50	58.00	74.70	74.10	65.40	64.70	55.30	47.60	675.94	1995
	S.R.	1.90	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.90	
	TOTAL	43.20	41.10	47.10	52.14	53.50	58.00	74.70	74.10	65.40	64.70	55.30	47.60	677.84	
1996	S.S.	46.66	43.40	47.39	56.95	66.18	70.83	75.70	77.27	68.23	66.58	50.37	48.43	717.99	1996
	S.R.	0.01	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.01	0.03	0.02	0.01	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.26	
	TOTAL	46.67	43.43	47.42	56.98	66.21	70.84	75.73	77.29	68.24	65.60	50.39	48.45	718.25	
1997	S.S.	50.61	49.20	65.66	68.65	76.18	79.14	82.31	57.02	37.32	27.50	38.96	45.96	678.51	1997
	S.R.	0.02	0.08	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.38	25.92	31.54	36.86	12.41	0.01	107.29	
	TOTAL	50.63	49.28	65.68	68.66	76.20	79.16	82.69	82.94	68.86	64.36	51.37	45.97	785.80	
1998	S.S.	44.39	46.36	47.00	50.53	56.43	63.43	77.75	80.30	68.35	66.58	54.06	52.13	707.31	1998
	S.R.	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.00	0.01	0.01	0.09	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.16	
	TOTAL	44.40	46.37	47.01	50.54	56.43	63.44	77.76	80.39	68.36	66.58	54.06	52.13	707.47	
1999	S.S.	56.40	46.26	52.16	57.40	70.43	71.35	85.41	82.68	69.45	68.04	57.78	57.69	774.05	1999
	S.R.	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.04	0.02	0.07	0.01	0.02	0.32	0.02	0.00	0.00	0.53	
	TOTAL	56.41	46.27	52.17	57.44	70.45	71.42	85.42	82.70	69.77	68.06	57.78	57.69	774.58	
2000	S.S.	56.41	50.43	55.27	65.40	70.84	73.60	85.00	84.68	73.30	65.60	58.49	59.80	798.82	2000
	S.R.	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
	TOTAL	56.41	50.43	55.27	65.40	70.84	73.60	85.00	84.68	73.30	65.60	58.49	59.80	798.82	
2001	S.S.	56.16	48.05	55.92	60.69	73.30	77.51	85.01	78.50	53.45	56.21	48.16	52.29	745.25	2001
	S.R.	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5.78	21.08	16.87	8.06	0.89	52.68	
	TOTAL	56.16	48.05	55.92	60.69	73.30	77.51	85.01	84.28	74.53	73.08	56.22	53.18	797.93	
2002	S.S.	54.43	52.23	60.70	65.43	60.75	55.13	66.79	73.35	66.59	62.03	56.36	53.98	727.77	2002
	S.R.	1.28	1.27	1.10	1.11	14.82	22.79	19.54	9.67	3.52	4.02	2.04	0.55	81.71	
	TOTAL	55.71	53.50	61.80	66.54	75.57	77.92	86.33	83.02	70.11	66.05	58.40	54.53	809.48	
2003	S.S.	52.73	49.97	57.35	58.32	62.82	68.22	65.05	63.34	58.91	67.08	56.20	48.84	708.83	2003
	S.R.	0.70	1.11	0.48	0.94	1.84	5.53	19.77	22.04	16.00	6.58	3.12	5.84	84.05	
	TOTAL	53.43	51.08	57.83	59.26	64.66	73.86	84.82	85.38	74.91	73.66	58.32	54.68	792.88	
2004	S.S.	55.83	51.40	58.56	64.33	67.98	52.62	47.04	39.58	41.06	34.80	48.30	49.92	612.52	2004
	S.R.	0.00	0.61	1.17	4.84	8.68	22.08	30.80	36.30	27.32	24.95	1.73	1.63	160.11	
	TOTAL	55.83	52.01	59.73	69.17	76.66	74.70	77.84	75.88	68.38	59.75	51.03	51.55	772.63	
2005	S.S.	50.05	46.16	51.09	55.01	65.70	68.81	80.52	61.60	48.71	47.08	40.83	36.70	652.26	2005
	S.R.	0.00	0.62	0.93	0.76	0.76	0.73	1.64	17.32	20.25	21.69	16.92	7.36	88.98	
	TOTAL	50.05	46.78	52.02	55.77	66.46	69.54	82.16	78.92	68.96	68.77	57.75	44.06	741.24	
2006	S.S.	50.81	49.10	48.82	49.65	60.58	65.65	55.12	59.67	52.49	42.86	34.46	42.75	612.96	2006
	S.R.	0.00	0.78	0.00	0.62	0.74	2.56	23.58	20.72	20.17	23.88	26.46	13.63	133.14	
	TOTAL	50.81	49.88	48.82	50.27	61.32	68.21	78.70	80.39	72.66	66.74	60.92	56.38	746.10	
2007	S.S.	57.70	47.45	56.47	60.50	56.11	51.21	55.95	63.48	58.72	37.58	34.83	38.61	618.61	2007
	S.R.	0.00	0.00	0.60	1.81	14.47	22.24	23.47	12.37	5.29	18.70	21.20	9.42	129.57	
	TOTAL	57.70	47.45	57.07	62.31	70.58	73.45	79.42	75.85	64.01	56.28	56.03	48.03	748.18	
2008	S.S.	43.35	45.35	51.55	52.59	40.45	33.03	40.15	47.57	47.24	41.63	21.47	25.41	489.69	2008
	S.R.	2.33	0.67	0.71	2.20	24.69	33.55	32.94	24.87	18.26	21.03	32.21	24.46	217.92	
	TOTAL	45.68	46.02	52.26	54.79	65.14	66.58	73.09	72.44	65.50	62.66	53.68	49.87	707.61	
2009	S.S.	28.17	37.57	50.95	58.52	48.56	37.47	48.80	40.69	31.99	44.62	53.05	46.55	526.94	2009
	S.R.	24.83	3.81	0.00	0.00	13.53	26.06	25.21	34.10	32.64	11.02	0.00	1.34	172.54	
	TOTAL	53.00	41.38	50.95	58.52	62.09	63.53	74.01	74.79	64.63	55.64	53.05	47.89	699.48	
2010	S.S.	45.44	40.48	47.48	48.39	56.26	55.29	50.73	44.58	35.05	37.61	36.14	36.45	533.90	2010
	S.R.	0.00	0.00	0.77	0.62	0.68	8.74	21.96	27.30	32.62	21.71	14.48	9.73	138.51	
	TOTAL	45.44	40.48	48.25	49.01	56.94	64.03	72.69	71.88	67.67	59.32	50.62	46.18	672.41	
2011	S.S.	48.05	43.36	45.17	52.11	53.94	49.27	60.52	55.52	45.40	45.67	46.28	51.87	597.16	2011
	S.R.	0.00	0.70	0.00	0.76	6.65	11.03	12.97	14.82	19.45	14.15	5.19	0.00	85.72	
	TOTAL	48.05	44.06	45.17	52.37	60.59	60.30	73.49	70.34	64.85	59.82	51.47	51.87	682.88	
2012	S.S.	50.12	48.08	52.60	50.52	60.06	56.53	48.17	41.12	36.72	42.22	48.70	50.88	585.73	2012
	S.R.	3.54	0.79	0.00	0.66	1.44	11.14	27.95	33.22	29.98	21.43	8.86	0.00	139.01	
	TOTAL	53.66	48.88	52.60	51.18	61.50	67.67	76.12	74.34	66.70	63.65	57.56	50.88	724.74	
2013	S.S	51.09	47.40	54.72	55.27	63.18	46.01	60.82	72.32	57.73	29.84	26.72	28.61	593.70	2013
	S.R.	0.00	0.00	0.00	4.27	5.28	27.57	18.12	3.50	7.62	22.56	25.38	25.61	139.91	
	TOTAL	51.09	47.40	54.72	59.54	68.45	73.58	78.82	75.82	65.41	52.40	52.11	54.22	733.61	
2014	S.S	22.93	16.97	24.90	25.03	19.39	14.40	11.94	0.00					135.55	2014
	S.R.	34.69	19.85	10.00	10.44	18.88	24.19	30.88	43.09					192.03	
	TOTAL	57.62	36.82	34.90	35.04	38.27	41.02	42.82	43.09					327.58	
	DIFFERENCE	6.53	-10.58	-18.82	-24.51	-30.18	-32.56	-36.12	-32.73	-1.29	-11.26	-5.45	3.34		