

EXHIBIT 19-C

Mr. Alvin Edwards
Chairman
Monterey Peninsula Water Management District
Monterey, CA

Via Fax
April 12, 2004

Re: Carmel River Advisory Council

Dear Chairman Edwards:

A committee of the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District is considering an ordinance that would change the terms of members of the Carmel River Advisory Council. I request that this matter be tabled until a Committee of the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District has had an opportunity to meet with members of the Carmel River Advisory Council.

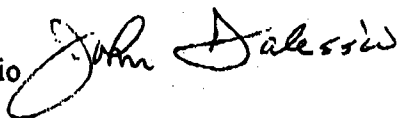
I sensed at a recent meeting of the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District that some members of the Board perhaps misunderstood the purpose of the Carmel River Advisory Council. This misunderstanding, reinforced by misinformed public comments, led some members of the Board to question the political motivation for the Carmel River Advisory Council's decision to recommend continuation of the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District's mitigation program for the Carmel River.

Please know, that as constituted, the CR represents a broad spectrum of opinions concerning water issues. The vote to continue the mitigation program was 7-1. I cast the dissenting vote, based upon a procedural, not programmatic objection. This Carmel River Advisory Council's request was consistent with our mandate to concern ourselves with issues involving the Carmel River.

I believe that a meeting between members of the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District and the Carmel River Advisory Council would help to clear the air. I suggest that this meeting occur prior to the enactment of an ordinance that will change the membership of, and ultimately the purpose of, the Carmel River Advisory Council.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,
John Dalessio



CC: Fran Farina
Rick Dickhaut