



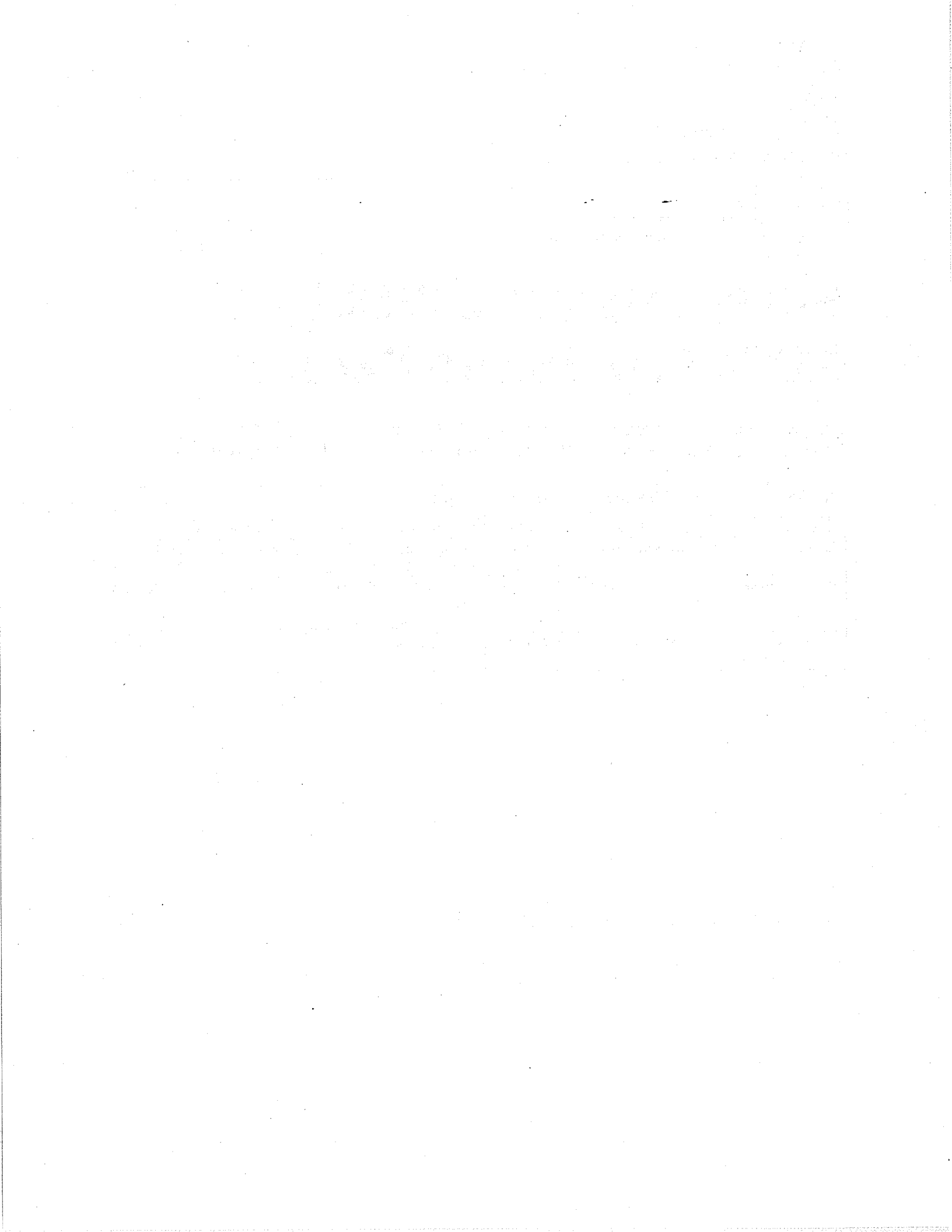
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# SUPPLEMENT TO 8/18/08 MPWMD BOARD PACKET

Attached are copies of letters received between July 11, 2008 and August 8, 2008. These letters are also listed in the August 18, 2008 Board packet under item 17, Letters Received.

<b>Author</b>	<b>Addressee</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Topic</b>
Diana Ingersoll	Darby Fuerst	8/4/08	City of Seaside Assigns Tim O' Halloran to TAC
Janice M. O' Brien	MPWMD Board	7/26/08	Recommendations from John Williams on Reduction in Pumping from the Carmel River
Roy L. Thomas	MPWMD Board	7/26/08	Request for Help with Mitigations in Carmel River Lagoon <i>(Response from Darby Fuerst also attached)</i>
Carmel River Steelhead Assoc.	None	7/26/08	Fish Tales Newsletter



Received at 8/5/08 MPWMD  
TAC meeting.

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August 4, 2008

Darby Fuerst  
MPWMD General Manager  
Post Office Box 85  
Monterey, CA 93942

Dear Mr. Fuerst,

I am pleased to inform you that Tim O'Halloran, Public Works Services Manager/ City Engineer will be representing the City of Seaside at the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District (MPWMD) Technical Advisory Committee meetings. I feel confident that Mr. O'Halloran will continue the good working relationship that we have with District staff and will be able to assist the District to meet its goals and objectives.

It has been a pleasure working with you and your staff on the MPWMD Technical Advisory Committee for the last fourteen years of which approximately the last three years as its Chair. Although I will no longer be in attendance at future TAC meetings on a regular basis, I will still be involved with water issues and water projects for the city. Please feel free to contact me if I can be of assistance at any time.

I wanted to take this opportunity to thank the staff of MPWMD especially David Laredo, Stephanie Pintar and Arlene Tavani for all their hard work and support. They have always been informative, professional and pleasant to work with. You have excellent staff members and I look forward to continuing our great working relationships with them.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Diana Ingersoll".

Diana Ingersoll  
Deputy City Manager  
Resource Management Services

C: Ray Corpuz, City Manager

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July 26, 2008

Board of Directors  
Monterey Peninsula Water Management District

Members of the Board:

The formula for the reduction of pumping in the Carmel Reservoir suggested by John Williams of the Ventura Chapter of the Sierra Club should be carefully considered by this Board.

As a revered member of the original District Board, Mr. Williams, if willing, could be an invaluable source of information for this Board in future deliberations on the District's desal plant in San City or alternatives.

I urge you to avail yourselves of this opportunity, & to support his recommendations.

Respectfully,

Janice M. O'Brien

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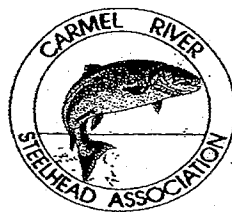
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**CARMEL RIVER STEELHEAD ASSOCIATION**

P. O. Box 1183  
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July 26, 2008

Monterey Peninsula Water Management District  
P. O. Box 85  
Monterey, CA 93942-0085

Dear Monterey Peninsula Water Management District:

We are formally requesting your board's help mitigating the ongoing emergency in the Carmel River Lagoon. The lagoon is suffering a dramatic decline in volume. Not only has a tremendous volume of sand been deposited by last year's huge waves but the dry year and agricultural activities on State Parks' and Big Sur Land Trust's land have cut into water supply. The waste water we have used in the past is not available because of the changes to Pebbles Beach's reclaimed water system.

Recent research has demonstrated the lagoon habitats are extremely important for the success of Steelhead in the ocean. However, in the Carmel River because of over exploitation, there is no fresh inflow, especially in the critical fall early storm period when large waves dump seaweed and vast quantities of salt water into the lagoon. This destroys the critical habitat values. Steelhead and Frogs look for a fresh water refuge and there is none!

We believe that MPWMD has a special responsibility for the lagoon in that it was spelled out in the 1990 Allocation EIR that you would mitigate for the damage in the lagoon and find a lagoon water supply. Your founding legislation also requires you "to protect and restore the natural resource values of the Carmel River."

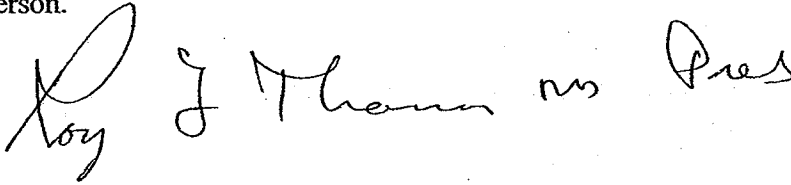
We believe we have found for you a number of ways to provide fresh water for the lagoon. In the Watershed Institute's Central Coast Watershed Studies, "Potential Effects of Ground Water Extractions on Carmel Lagoon"; the document discusses the effect of ground water pumping on water level in the lagoon. Figure 3.1 gives a cross section of the Carmel Lagoon and lower Carmel River during typical summer conditions. Your monitoring wells are depicted in this cross section. It was suggested by Dave Dittman, your retired fisheries

biologist before he retired, that these wells could be pumped to supply some surface water for the lagoon. We have used one of the state park wells to do this in the past.

We are suggesting that MPWMD along with State Parks, Big Sur Land Trust and their agricultural tenant, Carmel Area Wastewater District and Cal-Am work together with everyone's wells to create a fresh water refuge in the lagoon to protect critical habitat, especially in the fall early winter periods.

If you would like to discuss this further please feel free to contact myself or Frank Emerson.

Sincerely,

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Roy L. Thomas, President  
Carmel River Steelhead Assoc.

Enclosure: Figure 3.1









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August 1, 2008

Roy L. Thomas, President  
Carmel River Steelhead Association  
P.O. Box 1183  
Monterey, CA 93940

Dear Mr. Thomas:

Thank you for the letter dated July 26, 2008, requesting the MPWMD Board of Directors' help mitigating the ongoing emergency in the Carmel River Lagoon. I appreciate your bringing this matter to the District's attention. Copies of the letter have been distributed to the Board of Directors for their consideration. Per your suggestion, if the Board directs that staff take action on the request, I or a member of the District staff will contact Frank Emerson for additional information.

Again, thank you for writing to me on this subject.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Darby Fuerst".

Darby Fuerst  
General Manager

pc: MPWMD Board of Directors  
Joe Oliver  
Kevan Urquhart





# Fish Tales

## NEXT MEETING

August 12, 2008, 7:00 PM

CAWD Community Room, 3945 Rio Road  
Roger Williams, Editor

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July 26, 2008

### WATER BOARD HEARINGS

Three days of hearings by the California State Water Control Board on the proposed Cease and Desist Order limiting Cal-Am's unauthorized water diversions from the Carmel River. This set of hearings addressed remediation, whereas the June hearings addressed whether or not Cal Am had violated Order 95-10 which limited Cal Am to diversions of 3,376 acre feet of water with a requirement to diligently seek new sources of water. Roy Thomas and Brian LeNeve testified and Roy even conducted cross-examination of several witnesses! The State Prosecution team recommended phased reductions in allowed water diversions, starting with 15% immediately and ending with 50% by 2014. Representatives of the cities, business and Monterey Peninsula Water Management District testified that any reductions in water diversions would have too great an effect on water users to be acceptable. Environmental groups testified that the reductions in diversions would be necessary to force Cal Am or other agencies to develop additional water supplies, for example desalination, use of the Salinas River aquifer or a combination of small and large water production and reclamation projects. An interesting note was that initially Cal Am's attorney strenuously objected to discussion of remedial measures other than water diversion reduction, specifically objection to discussions of lagoon water quality and improvements at Los Padres Dam. However, Brian was able to present his remediation measures related to the lagoon and Los Padres and was supported by other environmental groups, National Marine Fisheries and Kevan Urquhart of MPWMD, who testified as to the importance of the lagoon, dam and headwaters in fish passage, spawning and rearing habitat. The Sierra Club witness, Dr. Williams, suggested that reductions in water diversions only be scheduled for the dry summer and fall months and reductions should reflect available water, with no reductions in wet years and severe reductions in drought years. Further hearings will occur on August 7 and a final decision should be available by the end of the year.

### RESCUES

To date, CRSA has rescued approximately 25,000 and the MPWMD 55,000 fish. Talk about a Whopper, Hank Smith rescued a 22+” adult from the lower river near Rio Park! It was too big to fit in a bucket!

### EDITOR:

I will be up on the American River next week, hoping for fish eager to take a fly.

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