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## MPWMD:

Please consider adding extra capacity to the desal plant beyond the current use. My personal interest is as a homeowner. Many people have been told no to adding a sink to the kids bathroom, remodeling a kitchen, or other home project for a number of years. It is time to give us a chance to get those longdelayed projects done once the desal plant comes on line. Although everyone should conserve water, we don't need to live like monks avoiding the use of water entirely. It is natural and normal to use water. Please increase the desal plant by a small amount, say 10%, with that amount slated for home improvement projects.

The amount is small enough not to anger the no-growthers, since it won't be large enough for a new hotel or development. Moreover, the "water fund" could be just for owner-occupied homes. You have already heard from larger groups, such as the hospitality "bounce back", and Pebble Beach for their valid water requests. This request is for the under-represented groups the Monterey-Area

Stocerely,
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