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Regarding Pacific Grove's local water project: I like the idea of reclaiming wastewater and recycling it into non-potable water. This non-potable water can then be used to irrigate our golf course, cemetery, etc. This effort can legitimately be called conservation and I support it.

However, I don't like the idea of reclaiming wastewater and recycling it into non-potable water only to then immediately turn around and create a new entitlement of potable water. This scheme is simply freeing up a resource for use in a more profitable area, i.e., growth, which the public gets to finance. This effort can not legitimately be called conservation and I don't support it.

Again, I support conservation and the current water crisis makes clear, it's something we must do. Therefore, I'm urging both you and the State Water Resources Board to encourage Pacific Grove to conserve but not to allow them an entitlement of potable water just because they have chosen to do the sensible thing in not watering their golf course with potable water.

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