

Dear members of Water Board,

I strongly object to any form of desalination plants being built or placed back into service along the California coast.

This is doubly true of Desal. plants in the National Marine Sanctuary, Monterey Bay. Any type of brine/waste being sent into the Bay is likely to upset the already fragile balance for the marine mammals and other sealife. This area is supposed to be a SANCTUARY, not a money-making scheme for the extremely lucrative desalination cartel.

Keystone species like threatened Southern Sea Otters are struggling for survival in the area as well as many other marine creatures. Don't let us and them down by letting the Desalination advocates pressure for plants here.

I have been a long-time supporter of Friends of the Sea Otter and am a member of a group looking at viable alternatives to desalination.

Thank you for your consideration.

Joan DJ Timpany
203 Pennsylvania Avenu
Santa Cruz, CA 95062

