AGENDA ITEM NO. 6 - PUBLIC COMMENT

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Enter Your Comment	Consent Item 6 should be vetted before the entire SWA board.

The Sweetwater Authority doesn't have a supply problem with water you have a demand problem. None of what happened at Loveland was caused by nature. The lake is exactly at the level it was after this board excessively drained it in January 2021. SDCWA Predicts plenty of water for our region for years to come. It will likely rain heavily before drought has an effect on your legitimate water supplies, which the minimum pool at Loveland is not part of.

The boat launch extensions are a terrible idea on so many levels. It only originated in the first place because of the interest in selling the water to Padre Dam and Otay, and probably sand

mining at Loveland, all of which are not happening.

Most of the time the proposed infrastructure will be underwater and certainly after we win the protection of our minimum pool. This will be another Board of directors boondoggle like the Sand Mining entrepreneurial "miss adventure".

The boat launch project discussed tonight maintains the threat to drain our lake even more excessively than was done in the winter of 2021. Mr. Preciado, who seems like the most knowledgeable director, is appropriately skeptical.
The idea that drones can be used instead of a caretaker in a boat is interesting, but with constantly changing water levels and the river often bringing in heavy debris in high flows. There is no way of getting around needed boat access. Even at Dead Pool, A boat would be a requirement of State Waterboards, DSOD, and other stakeholders including first responder agencies. How will a drowning SWA employee, contractor, child, or homeless person be saved without a boat at the lake? You would be looking for a tragic meaning to the phrase "dead pool".

It would be best to quit trying to work around the pre-Gillingham feasibility study and pre-Hector Martinez get-rich-quick sand Minning schemes era. All this entrepreneurial adventure has cost your ratepayers and your reputations.

A lower level at Loveland is not going to accomplish anything but a one-time water grab of the emergency pool and recreational pool. It is going to be legally blocked, or reconsidered by this board before it happens. It will end yet another waste of human capital and resources for your ratepayers. Projected advantages of the one-time water grab are going to be more than eradicated by cost to implement, post-construction maintenance, and usage difficulties and will ultimately be abandoned and trashed. More likely, the Sweetwater Authority would just take the water and never build the planned boat launch extension.

Focus SWA human capital, on your mission and clean JPA scope, on dam safety, and the equitable treatment of citizens in our region all around, not on getting rich quick schemes and other moral dilemmas of your own making.

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