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**To:** Kuhlman, Catherine@CNRA  
**Subject:** RE: Notes for the March 27, 2013 OPC Meeting

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**To:** Kuhlman, Catherine@CNRA  
**Cc:** Fred Collins; Mandy Davis  
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March 26, 2013

Dear Cat;

Unfortunately, Marla jo and i will not be able to attend tomorrows scheduled OPC meeting due to a family issue that came up. We were looking forward to going and invited two of our colleagues who also ended up with local commitments that came up.

Please allow me to share with you some of our thoughts and concerns that we were planning on expressing at this meeting.

Fred Collins is the Northern Chumash Tribal Council (NCTC) Administrator. Fred is currently involved with a very serious issue in trying to protect his ancestral cemetery from being violated by San Luis Obispo County Public Works Department(SLO County PW). SLO County PW are in charge of the Los Osos Sewer Project. This controversial project involves the trenching and installation of several miles of sewer collection and conveyance infrastructure.

I know that Secretary Laird is very interested in Native American interests, so would you kindly share with him Fred's letter to the San Luis Obispo County Public Department where he points out several concerns that the Chumash people have with some of the operation and methodology being used with regards to Native American burial sites. (see link below)

<http://www.rockofthecoast.com/files/032313/FredCollins031713-2.pdf>

Mandy Davis is the founder of C.O.A.S.T. Alliance (Citizens Opposing Acoustic Seismic Testing) and works as a local tour guide in our beautiful Morro Bay estuary. Recently, Marla jo and i accompanied Mandy to the February 25, 2013 Public Utilities Commission (PUC) meeting that was held in San Francisco. We were encouraged by the PUC decision to halt Acoustic Seismic Testing (AST, also referred to as HESS and LESS) in Estero Bay with regards to PG&E's Diablo Canyon Power Plant (DCPP) for at least 1 year.

However, Edison is pursuing a AST project at it's San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station (SONGS), scheduled for August of this year. The equipment being used for this 'scientific study' is similar to what was used in Estero Bay. We were told by the presenters that Scripps, San Diego was the permittee for the SONGS AST project.

C.O.A.S.T. Alliance strongly suggests that all Acoustic Seismic Testing in California cease immediately and new state legislation needs to be put forward that addresses the accumulative impacts from this kind of methodology.

Below is a video of that PUC meeting that was taken by our colleagues from EON (Ecological Options Network)

Edison SONGS discussion:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6D8wCxGldzA>

PG&E Diablo Canyon discussion:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4OltGBgxXxU>

Finally, i am honored to represent San Luis Obispo County Surfrider Chapter regarding the relocation Morro Bay Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) project, which is now being referred to as the Morro Bay Water Reclamation Facility (WRF). The Cayucos Sanitary District (CSD), a Special District, has notified the city of Morro Bay that it is entertaining other options with regards to the treatment of their wastewater.

( Note: i believe that the CSD needs to immediately apply for a NPDES permit since they are currently depositing sewage into the city limits where it is collected at the final Lift Station LS#5, then pumped and conveyed to the existing WWTP).

Regarding Item #7 , SLR Grant funding, SLO County Surfrider believes that Morro Bay has an immediate opportunity to showcase the OPC's commitment to innovation, collaboration, and cooperation with a project that targets the public health issues of SLR.

Here are some of the opportunities available to Morro Bay and their visitors with a successful water reclamation project:

- Eliminate sewer Ocean Outfall.
- Managed retreat of a potential environmental hazard from the coastal zone (in a Tsunami zone and flood plain)
- Water recycling to be potentially used in Agriculture and to help reduce dependence on State Water Project resources while decreasing a threat of seawater intrusion to local aquifers
- Improved air quality to Morro Bay High School, surrounding businesses, and tourist areas near Morro Rock.

.Cat, thank you very much for taking the time to address and process some of our issues and concerns. We will watch the OPC meeting on Cal-Span, marla jo and i always learn so much from the excellent discussions at the OPC meetings. Once again thank you and your staff for the passion in helping heal our oceans. May you and your loved ones have a wonderful Easter.

Sincerely,

Richard E.T.Sadowski