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Wants desal costs

I'm strongly against spending any more public money to determine whether a desalination plant is feasible in and for Cambria. This includes the spending of money for drilling test wells.

My reason is that the Cambria Community Services District has failed to make known to the people of Cambria the cost of a desalination plant, nor have they made the public sufficiently aware of the amount of money supposedly set aside for a Cambria desalination plant by the government. CCSD officials and staff have suggested during my 10 years in Cambria a range of \$9 million to \$11 million. My research has shown (from a 2006 study) that this figure is only \$4 million.

How will this difference in funding be covered? What exactly are the figures in each case (government grant and total cost)? What are the likely costs of water production, delivery and maintenance to the plant?

The CCSD and Cambrians should spend no more money, even for test wells, until these figures are known and represented to the Cambria public.

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