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CAMBRIA COMMUNITY
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Written Public Comments

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| Full Name: | Linda Prentiss |
| Email Address: | [REDACTED] |
| Phone Number: | [REDACTED] |
| Written Public Comment: | Ladies & Gentlemen, please consider releasing 100 home building permits. I have been on the water list for almost 20 years for my vacant lots on Norwich Ave. and paying taxes! I would like to be a part of the community. Since I am now 77years of age, I'd like to build a house there pretty soon. |

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Haley Dodson

From: Lori Slater [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, August 27, 2025 3:10 PM
To: BoardComment
Subject: Keep I.C.E. out of our community

Dear President Scott and Directors Farmer, Thomas, Dean and Gray,

Please make a written statement which indicates that Cambria does not abide by the actions of the Immigration and Customs Enforcement in our community.

The evidence is clear that the community of people who are of Mexican descent is now a long-standing, integral part of Cambria. They are the face of Cambria, more than the part-timers who have second and third homes here. They are basically the backbone of our labor force as well as the majority of Coast High School graduates.

Please keep Cambria safe from I.C.E. meddling. I respectfully ask that you make a statement to the effect that Cambria citizens do not want I.C.E. in our community.

Thank you,

Lori Slater

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| Full Name: | Christine Heinrichs |
| Email Address: | [REDACTED] |
| Phone Number: | [REDACTED] |
| Written Public Comment: | <p>September 11 2025 PUBLIC COMMENT At the August 14 meeting, eight of us read a Resolution resisting ICE raids into the record, and asked the board to put it on a future agenda for consideration. [Watch the video and read it on the district's Youtube channel. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mGXRWVORWFQ&t=510s starting at 10 minutes into the meeting.] Despite vocal advocacy from Cambrians at the August meeting, and hundreds of Cambrians demonstrating in the streets, the board ignored the request to discuss the Resolution opposing the gangster enforcement of these ICE raids, one of the most pressing issues facing Cambria and the country. These raids by masked, unidentified thugs acting under government authority will be a permanent stain on our country. You've seen this. And you hold positions of responsibility President Scott has rejected this issue as "political." It isn't, as the prominent nonpartisan League of Women Voters has stated. "ICE's operations in Los Angeles and</p> |

around California mark a troubling escalation – workplace raids coupled with the arrest of community members exercising their First Amendment rights to observe and protest. These tactics, along with the federal activation of the California National Guard and the deployment of U.S. Marines, weaponize fear to terrorize not just undocumented residents, but anyone who would stand with their neighbors or participate in democratic discourse.” The League of Women Voters of California and League of Women Voters of the United States issued a joint statement condemning the use of federal force on peaceful protestors. “We stand firmly in solidarity with impacted communities,” their statement says. ICE’s budget is now 150 billion dollars through 2029, making it larger than the military forces of Canada, Italy, and Israel combined. The Supreme Court has ruled that individuals can be targeted for arrest based on race, language, and location rather than evidence of wrongdoing. Communities need to push back with whatever power we have: to keep immigrant communities safe, ensure that all individuals are treated equally, regardless of immigration status, and uphold the Constitution, which you all took an oath to uphold. Director Farmer has expressed his personal opposition to these raids. I hope he will advocate with the board to place this important subject on the agenda and adopt a Resolution. [I also refer you to the report, Local Policy Interventions for Protecting Immigrants, https://www.ilrc.org/sites/default/files/resources/ilrc_local-policy-interventions_final.pdf which compiles examples of other actions taken by local governments and communities to resist these raids.] Whose side do you want to be on? Because every choice is a stand. Every act of moral resistance is an opportunity to exercise the muscles we need to reconstruct democracy. Your silence is troubling. Despite the outcry in the community, and at the August meeting, your agenda mentions nothing about our current dilemma. Silence is assent. Cambrians want you to respond to the times. Thank you.

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Public Comment 9-11-25 CCSD Agenda Item 7.F. ZLD

From Crosby Swartz [REDACTED]

Date Tue 9/9/2025 8:07 PM

To BoardComment <boardcomment@camabriacsd.org>; Debra Scott <dscott@camabriacsd.org>; Michael Thomas <mthomas@camabriacsd.org>; Harry Farmer <HFarmer@camabriacsd.org>; Karen Dean <kdean@camabriacsd.org>; Tom Gray <tgray@camabriacsd.org>; Matthew McElhenie <mmcelhenie@camabriacsd.org>; James Green <jgreen@camabriacsd.org>

I have several recommended additions to the draft **Agreed Logistics and Piloting Terms for Each Party** to clarify the intent of this project.

- There are two separate pilot units, which are referred to as the S-EDM unit and the SSWS unit on agenda pages 118, 119 and 120. It would be helpful if the agreement provided the full name of each pilot unit in addition to their acronyms. This will make it easier for everyone to track the progress and results of each separate pilot test.
- On agenda page 118, the draft agreement states that the CCSD will provide enough 2" hose to go from the permeate discharge on the pilot unit to **preferred discharge point**. Please be specific about where the preferred discharge point is located. The location and method of permeate disposal is important for the success of the ZLD project.
- On agenda page 119, the draft agreement states that the CCSD will provide a tank to hold permeate produced by the pilot unit - **if it is going to be stored after discharge** - flows will be 90%+ of the initial RO brine feed. Please specify how the permeate will be disposed of after storage in the tank. The location and method of permeate disposal is important for the success of the ZLD project.

Thank you for considering my recommended additions to the agreement.

Written comment for September 11 CSD board meeting

From Christine Heinrichs [REDACTED]
Date Wed 9/10/2025 9:39 AM
To BoardComment <boardcomment@cambriacsd.org>

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Christine Heinrichs September 11, 2025 CSD Regular Meeting

Public Comment

Item 5A Public Safety Sheriffs Report

PUBLIC COMMENT

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