

**Comprehensive River
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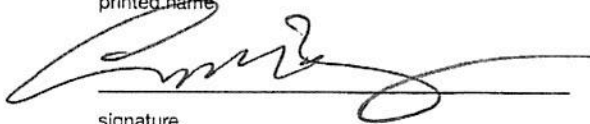
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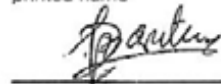
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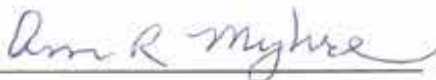
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
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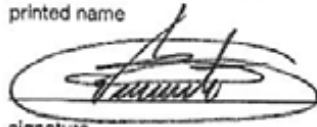
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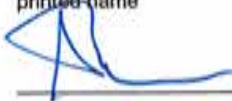
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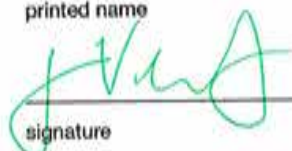
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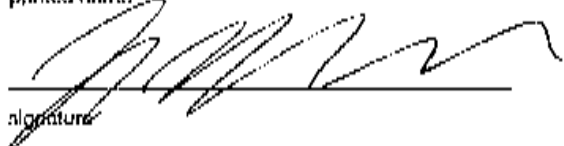
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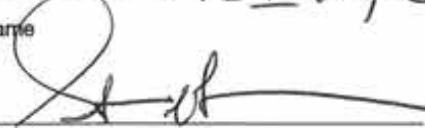
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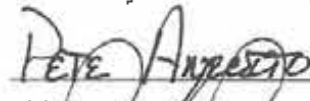
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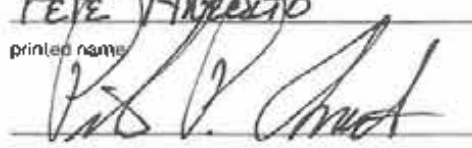
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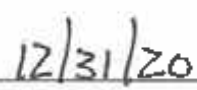
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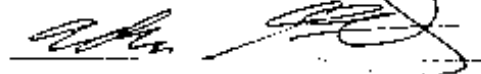
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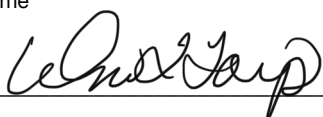
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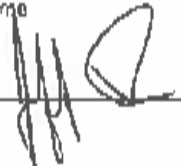
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Native species in the river, such as willows, cottonwoods, etc., also need to be managed. Problematic sandbars need to be managed. These activities are currently permitted in the ongoing work coordinated by the River Management Unit Association, assisted by the Resource Conservation District and Monterey County Water Resources Agency. However, Comprehensive River Maintenance needs to be added to the Groundwater Agency's 20-year plans so that the work can be done comprehensively and economically.

There are logical reasons for doing Comprehensive River Maintenance:

1. The river is the main conduit for water to travel down the valley.
2. The river is vital for recharge throughout the valley at various prime percolation points.
3. The river is needed to move water efficiently to the rubber dam for the Castroville Saltwater Improvement Project and future expansion of that project.
4. The river will be a vital part of moving water to the 11043 permit diversion sites.
5. The river loses water from evapotranspiration due to vegetation overgrowth. Stopping this evapotranspiration by managing vegetation will help solve the valley's water deficit. Studies calculate the evapotranspiration loss at 10s of thousands of acre-feet per year.
6. The reservoirs cannot be operated optimally without a clean exit pipe—the river.
7. The water created by stopping excess evapotranspiration will be more cost-effective than many of the Groundwater Agency's proposed projects.

So far, the Groundwater Agency has not given any logical reason for excluding Comprehensive River Maintenance. The only specific reason they've given is the difficulty of obtaining permits. However, the farming community has been successfully getting those permits since 1995.

The Salinas Valley Basin Groundwater Agency must include Comprehensive River Maintenance in all of the 20-year sub-basin plans.

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