

For What It's Worth:

Rationing our water supply in Carmel and Pebble Beach is an outrageous attempt at resolving a problem that we as residents of this area did not create or deserve. We are already among the most water-conscious residents of California, the result of decades of threats and excuses about why we have to preserve life for our legless friends who reside in the (sometimes) Carmel River, at the expense of our own biped existence. Cal-Am has been quick to penalize us for water over-usage to the point that most of us cannot afford to be anything *other than* water conscious protectors and preservers of our precious natural resource. All of which could be solved, of course, by the construction of a functional dam on the Upper Carmel River, preserving a usable and adequate water supply for the citizens of the Monterey Peninsula...But NO, we couldn't do *that*-adequate water would make it too easy for **more** people to move into our area. The NIMBY Principle must be followed at all costs!

Damn the Torpedos, No Water Ahead!

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