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Agua Hedionda Lagoon

In 1954 SDG&E dredged the Agua Hedionda Lagoon to use the sea water as a cooling agent. This dredging required a specific volume of mud and sand be removed to provide self flushing for the inner and outer lagoons. SDG&E and NRG have had the privilege of using a public resource, sea water, for 54 years. In the meantime, the lagoon has become an extremely valuable habitat that must be protected. The rate payers over the 54 years have paid for the dredging and other maintenance of the lagoon. It is important that before NRG is allowed to build a new power plant, that we determine how this lagoon and its habitat will be protected in perpetuity.

It seems to me that a meeting should be held in Carlsbad by the Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission of the state of California which should include at least: the State Lands Commission; Fish and Wildlife Department; the Coastal Commission; Boats and Waterways and the City of Carlsbad.

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