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FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

DEPARTMENT NO. 316

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CROSS-COMPLAINANTS, )

VS. )

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DISTRICT NO. 40, ET AL, )

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6 TIME: 8:30 A.M.  
7 APPEARANCES: (SEE TITLE PAGE)  
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9 THE COURT: COURT IS NOW IN SESSION.

10 ALL RIGHT. THE WITNESS IS ON THE STAND.  
11 THIS IS FURTHER EXAMINATION BY MR. KUHS.

12 GOOD MORNING, EVERYBODY, AGAIN.  
13

14 TIMOTHY DURBIN,  
15 CALLED BY THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES AS A WITNESS, HAVING  
16 BEEN PREVIOUSLY SWORN, TESTIFIED AS FOLLOWS:

17 THE WITNESS: MR. KUHS, YESTERDAY I GAVE A  
18 RESPONSE THAT WAS INCORRECT.

19 MR. WILLIAM KUHS: WELL, I THINK, BEFORE WE GO  
20 THERE, I HAVE SOME MATTERS THAT I WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS  
21 THE COURT WITH BEFORE WE GET INTO FURTHER CROSS-  
22 EXAMINATION.

23 THE COURT: ALL RIGHT.

24 MR. WILLIAM KUHS: YOUR HONOR, WE WOULD LIKE TO  
25 FILE AS TEJON'S NEXT IN ORDER PAGES 12 -- EXCUSE ME 11,  
26 12, AND 38 FROM THE SUMMARY EXPERT REPORT OUT OF  
27 APPENDIX C. THAT WOULD BE SCALMANINI 101, APPENDIX C,  
28 AS IN CHARLEY.

1 THE COURT: SO THAT WILL BE D, DELTA, 37, I  
2 BELIEVE, FOR IDENTIFICATION ONLY. MARK IT.

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4 (TEJON EXHIBIT D37 MARKED  
5 FOR IDENTIFICATION.)

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7 MR. WILLIAM KUHS: I HAVE ONE COPY FOR THE CLERK  
8 AND ONE COPY FOR THE WITNESS.

9 THE COURT: VERY WELL.

10 MR. WILLIAM KUHS: THEN I'D ASK THAT THE ORIGINAL  
11 DEPOSITION OF MR. DURBIN BE LODGED WITH THE COURT.

12 THE COURT: I BELIEVE IT HAS ALREADY HAS BEEN.  
13 OKAY.

14 MR. WILLIAM KUHS: I WOULD LIKE TO MARK AS NEXT IN  
15 ORDER, WHICH WILL BE D38, A COPY OF EXHIBIT 1 FROM THAT  
16 DEPOSITION.

17 THE COURT: MARK IT FOR IDENTIFICATION.

18  
19 (TEJON EXHIBIT D38 MARKED  
20 FOR IDENTIFICATION.)

21  
22 MR. WEEKS: THE DEPOSITION OF WHOM?

23 MR. WILLIAM KUHS: MR. DURBIN.

24 YOUR HONOR, I WOULD LIKE TO READ A PORTION  
25 OF MR. DURBIN'S DEPOSITION.

26 THE COURT: PAGE?

27 MR. WILLIAM KUHS: VOLUME ONE, BEGINNING ON PAGE  
28 11, AT LINE 8. AND TO PUT THAT IN CONTEXT, I WOULD NOTE



1 THAT THE LAWYERS PRESENT AT THAT DEPOSITION WERE BRADLEY  
2 HERRERA, JEFFREY DUNN, WARREN WELLEN, W. KEITH LEMIEUX,  
3 BOB JOYCE, DOUG EVERTZ, WESLEY MILIBAND, AND JULIE  
4 RILEY.

5 BEGINNING AT PAGE 11, LINE 8, THIS IS A  
6 QUESTION FROM MR. HERRERA:

7 (READING:)

8 "QUESTION: AND DID YOU  
9 REVIEW THE REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION  
10 OF DOCUMENTS THAT'S INCLUDED?"

11 "ANSWER: I DID.

12 "QUESTION: DID YOU BRING  
13 ANY DOCUMENTS WITH YOU TODAY THAT  
14 ARE RESPONSIVE TO THOSE REQUESTS?

15 "ANSWER: I DID.

16 "QUESTION: AND ARE THOSE  
17 THE DOCUMENTS THAT ARE ON THE  
18 FLASH DRIVE THAT YOU GAVE ME  
19 BEFORE WE GOT STARTED?

20 "ANSWER: CORRECT.

21 "QUESTION: ARE THERE ANY  
22 REQUESTS THAT YOU DID NOT BRING  
23 DOCUMENTS RESPONSIVE TO?

24 "ANSWER: I BELIEVE THAT  
25 EVERYTHING THAT WAS ON THE LIST IS  
26 ON HERE.

27 "QUESTION" --

28 EXCUSE ME. CONTINUE WITH THE ANSWER:

1                   "ANSWER: WITH RESPECT TO  
2                   THE FLASH DRIVE, I PRESUME THAT  
3                   YOU ALREADY HAD MY RESUME, SO IT  
4                   IS NOT ON THE FLASH DRIVE.

5                   "QUESTION BY MR. JOYCE:  
6                   I WAS JUST THINKING OF --  
7                   UNFORTUNATELY --

8                   THE COURT: IT'S NOT A QUESTION. IT IS COLLOQUY.

9                   MR. WILLIAM KUHS: OKAY. LET'S GO OVER TO -- THEN  
10                  LET'S CONTINUE OVER TO -- WELL, THERE IS ONE PART OF  
11                  THAT THAT I THINK IS IMPORTANT, YOUR HONOR. AND LET ME  
12                  READ IT, IF I MIGHT.

13                  THE COURT: BUT IT HAS GOT TO BE RELATED TO THE  
14                  TESTIMONY OF THE WITNESS.

15                  MR. WILLIAM KUHS: IT ONLY RELATES TO THE  
16                  DISPOSITION OF THE FLASH DRIVE. AND IF YOUR HONOR WILL  
17                  NOTE THAT ON PAGE 12, MR. JOYCE MAKES IT CLEAR AT ABOUT  
18                  PAGE -- AT LINE 10 THAT THE FLASH DRIVE IS GOING TO BE  
19                  DELIVERED TO THE OFFICIAL CUSTODY OF THE REPORTER. SO  
20                  IT WAS LODGED WITH THE REPORTER, NOT LODGED WITH ANY  
21                  OTHER PERSON.

22                  THE COURT: ALL RIGHT.

23                  MR. WILLIAM KUHS: CONTINUING ON AT LINE 18 ON  
24                  PAGE 12:

25                                 "QUESTION: MR. DURBIN,  
26                                 OTHER THAN THE COPY OF YOUR RESUME  
27                                 THAT WE DISCUSSED, ARE THERE ANY  
28                                 DOCUMENTS THAT ARE RESPONSIVE TO

1 THE REQUEST IN EXHIBIT 1 THAT YOU  
2 DIDN'T BRING WITH YOU TODAY?

3 "ANSWER: I DON'T BELIEVE SO.

4 "QUESTION: ARE THERE ANY  
5 DOCUMENTS THAT ARE RESPONSIVE TO  
6 THOSE REQUESTS THAT YOU WERE ASKED  
7 NOT TO BRING WITH YOU TODAY?"

8 ANSWER ON PAGE 13, LINE 1:

9 "ANSWER: NO."

10 WHICH IS WHERE I END WITH THAT COLLOQUY,  
11 THEN.

12 NOW, WE HAVE A COPY OF THE EXTERNAL HARD  
13 DRIVE. I'LL REPRESENT TO THE COURT THAT I PERSONALLY  
14 REVIEWED THAT, EVERY FILE IN IT THAT I COULD OPEN --

15 THERE ARE FILES THAT WE CAN'T OPEN, WHICH  
16 ARE ESSENTIALLY -- ARE TECHNICAL FILES, MAPPING AND THAT  
17 SORT OF THING. IT DOESN'T INCLUDE THAT.

18 AND THERE IS NO INFORMATION ON THAT EXTERNAL  
19 HARD DRIVE RELATING TO ANY CALCULATIONS, ANY FACTORS,  
20 ANY EXPONENTS USED BY MR. DURBIN IN ATTEMPTING TO  
21 CALCULATE FLOWS BASED UPON THE CHANNEL GEOMETRY WORK.

22 NOW, ON THAT BASIS -- AND IF YOU'LL NOTE  
23 FROM EXHIBIT D38, ALL OF THAT INFORMATION WAS REQUESTED  
24 TO BE PRODUCED.

25 NOW, I STARTED TO GET INTO TESTIMONY, THE  
26 USE OF THE EQUATIONS THAT IS SPELLED OUT IN EXHIBIT D33,  
27 AND THERE WAS A 352 OBJECTION BY MR. DUNN ON THE BASIS  
28 THAT THE WITNESS HAS TESTIFIED HE DID NOT USE THE

1 EQUATIONS SET FORTH IN D33.

2 ON THAT BASIS, THE MOTION WAS APPROPRIATE  
3 BECAUSE IT WAS NOT APPROPRIATE FOR ME TO EXPLORE THE  
4 APPLICATION OF THOSE EQUATIONS IN LIGHT OF THE WITNESS  
5 HAVING SAID THAT HE DIDN'T USE THOSE EQUATIONS.

6 NOW, IF YOU LOOK AT D37 -- AND I'LL WAIT FOR  
7 A MOMENT. YOUR HONOR CAN LOOK AT D33.

8 MR. WEEKS: WHAT IS D37?

9 MR. WILLIAM KUHS: D37 IS PAGES 11, 12, AND 38 OF  
10 APPENDIX C OF THE SUMMARY EXPERT REPORT.

11 MR. WEEKS: THANK YOU.

12 THE COURT: GO AHEAD.

13 MR. WILLIAM KUHS: NOW, IF WE LOOK BACK AT EXHIBIT  
14 D37, WHICH IS PART OF THE SUMMARY EXPERT REPORT, AND  
15 STARTING IN THE MIDDLE -- APPROXIMATELY IN THE MIDDLE OF  
16 PAGE 11, UNDER THE HEADING "STREAMFLOW ESTIMATES FOR  
17 CHANNEL -- FROM CHANNEL GEOMETRY DATA" --

18 MR. ZIMMER: HE HAS IT UP ON THE BOARD, AS WELL,  
19 YOUR HONOR.

20 MR. WILLIAM KUHS: -- I READ IN THE FIRST SENTENCE  
21 OF THAT YESTERDAY AS A LEAD-IN QUESTION TO MR. DURBIN AS  
22 TO THE MANNER IN WHICH HE CALCULATED OR ESTIMATED  
23 STREAMFLOWS FROM THE CHANNEL GEOMETRY DATA AND REFERRED  
24 TO THE FIRST SITE WHICH IS HIGHLIGHTED, THE HEDMAN AND  
25 THE OSTERKAMP 1982, WHICH IS D33.

26 THEN YOU GO DOWN TO THE LOWER --

27 THE COURT: WHY DON'T YOU TELL ME WHERE YOU ARE  
28 GOING WITH THIS.

1 MR. WILLIAM KUHS: I'M MOVING TO STRIKE ALL OF HIS  
2 TESTIMONY DEALING WITH CHANNEL GEOMETRY DATA ON THE  
3 BASIS THAT THE WITNESS HAS TESTIFIED HE DID NOT USE THE  
4 EQUATIONS IN D33. THERE'S NO PLACE -- YESTERDAY, IN HIS  
5 EXAMINATION.

6 THERE IS NO PLACE IN HIS SUMMARY EXPERT  
7 REPORT WHERE HE HAS THE CHANNEL WIDTHS, THE SOIL  
8 PROPERTIES, THE CONSTANTS, THE EXPONENTS TO APPLY THE  
9 EQUATION. AND THERE IS NO EQUATION IN HIS SUMMARY  
10 EXPERT REPORT TO CALCULATE THOSE FLOWS. AND THERE HAS  
11 BEEN NO EVIDENCE AS TO THE MANNER IN WHICH HE CALCULATED  
12 THOSE FLOWS. AND ON THAT BASIS, THERE CAN BE NO  
13 SCIENTIFIC SUPPORT FOR ANY OF HIS CONCLUSIONS DEALING  
14 WITH THAT APPROACH TO CALCULATING STREAM FLOWS.

15 MS. RILEY: YOUR HONOR, I OBJECT TO THE MOTION TO  
16 STRIKE TESTIMONY. MR. DURBIN HAS TESTIFIED WHAT HIS  
17 OPINION IS. IN THE TESTIMONY IN RESPONSE TO MR. KUHS'  
18 QUESTION, HE SAID EXACTLY THAT, THE MIDDLE LINE THERE,  
19 THAT HE USED THE HEDMAN AND OSTERKAMP REFERENCE TO GET  
20 THE GENERAL FORM FOR THE RELATIONS.

21 HE TESTIFIED THAT HE DID NOT, IN FACT,  
22 PROVIDE THIS INFORMATION IN RESPONSE TO A REQUEST FOR  
23 PRODUCTION OF DOCUMENTS, YET HE SAID THAT HE PROVIDED  
24 ALL OF THE DOCUMENTS THAT HE HAD WITHIN HIS FILES THAT  
25 WERE RESPONSIVE.

26 I WOULD SUGGEST TO THE COURT THAT THIS WOULD  
27 GO RATHER TO THE WEIGHT OF THE EVIDENCE RATHER THAN TO  
28 STRIKE MR. DURBIN'S TESTIMONY.

1 THE COURT: WAS HE ASKED AT THE DEPOSITION ABOUT  
2 THE CALCULATIONS?

3 MR. WILLIAM KUHS: YES. THERE WAS GENERAL  
4 DISCUSSIONS BY -- QUESTIONS -- EXCUSE ME.

5 THE COURT: I'M SORRY. I DIDN'T MEAN TO INTERRUPT  
6 YOU, BUT I WANT TO KNOW IF HE WAS ASKED THAT VERY  
7 SPECIFIC QUESTION ABOUT THE FORMULA OR THE PROCESS THAT  
8 HE USED IN CALCULATING THE STREAMFLOW.

9 MR. WILLIAM KUHS: I'LL LET MR. JOYCE RESPOND, IF  
10 I MIGHT. MR. JOYCE WAS THERE.

11 THE COURT: IF THAT'S THE CASE, I WOULD LIKE TO  
12 SEE THE PAGE AND LINE.

13 MR. JOYCE: YOUR HONOR, IN REALITY, WE WERE  
14 PRESENTED WITH THE SUMMARY EXPERT REPORT PRIOR TO THE  
15 DEPOSITION. WE HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO REVIEW IT AT  
16 GREAT LENGTH.

17 IF THE COURT WERE TO LOOK AT IN ITS ENTIRETY  
18 WHAT HAS BEEN MARKED BY MR. KUHS AS EXHIBIT B37, AND IF  
19 YOU READ THAT EXCERPT IN ITS ENTIRETY, WHAT BECOMES  
20 IMMEDIATELY AND ABUNDANTLY CLEAR IS THE FACT THAT THE  
21 SUGGESTION BEING MADE BY MR. DURBIN IN THE SUMMARY  
22 EXPERT REPORT IS THAT HE USED THE HEDMAN AND OSTERKAMP  
23 METHODOLOGY AND THEIR FORMULAS IN ARRIVING AT HIS  
24 CONCLUSIONS.

25 AND, THEREFORE, I ALREADY HAD THAT REPORT  
26 FROM HEDMAN AND OSTERKAMP. I KNEW WHAT WAS IN IT.  
27 THERE WAS NO NECESSITY TO ACTUALLY GO TO MINUTIA WITH  
28 HIM ABOUT IT. IT WAS JUST MERELY TO GO OVER THE

1 CONCEPTUAL APPROACH.

2 WHAT HE DID NOT DO, EITHER IN THE SUMMARY  
3 EXPERT REPORT NOR AT ANY TIME IN HIS DEPOSITION, OVERTLY  
4 OR EVEN BY INTIMATION, SUGGEST THAT HE HAD DONE ANYTHING  
5 OTHER THAN RELIED UPON THEIR METHODOLOGY AND THEIR  
6 APPROACH.

7 MORE SIGNIFICANTLY, YOUR HONOR, HE HAS NOT  
8 OFFERED TO THIS COURT EITHER THE EXPONENT OR THE  
9 COEFFICIENT THAT HE IS SUPPOSEDLY USED IN HIS HYBRID  
10 FORMULA, WHATEVER THAT IS. AND IT IS NOT REFLECTED IN  
11 THE HARD DRIVE, AND IT'S NOT REFLECTED IN THE SUMMARY  
12 EXPERT REPORT. WE HAVE NO WAY OF KNOWING WHAT THOSE  
13 NUMBERS ARE THAT HE ACTUALLY USED BECAUSE THEY ARE NOT  
14 CONTAINED IN ANYTHING MADE AVAILABLE TO US.

15 THE COURT: ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU.

16 MR. JOYCE: AND I DON'T THINK HE CAN AT THE  
17 PRESENT TIME EVEN TELL THE COURT WHAT THOSE NUMBERS ARE.

18 THE COURT: WELL, I DON'T KNOW ABOUT THAT, BUT  
19 THANK YOU.

20 MR. ZIMMER?

21 MR. ZIMMER: JUST FROM A LEGAL STANDPOINT, I AGREE  
22 WITH THE MOTION TO STRIKE, BUT IT IS ON TWO GROUNDS:  
23 ONE, THAT DISCOVERY WAS NOT PROVIDED; AND TWO, THAT  
24 THERE IS NO LEGAL FOUNDATION AND/OR SCIENTIFIC  
25 FOUNDATION, AS MR. KUHS HAS POINTED OUT, FOR THE -- WHAT  
26 I CONSIDER TO BE A NEW OPINION.

27 MR. KUHS, THERE IS LOWER PART ON THIS SAME  
28 EXHIBIT HERE WHERE MR. DURBIN, IN FACT, TALKS ABOUT THE

1 FACT THAT THE -- THIS PART OF THE ANTELOPE VALLEY WAS  
2 CLOSE ENOUGH TO THE STUDY AREA SO THAT THE STUDY AREA  
3 COULD, IN FACT, BE USED -- SO THAT THOSE RELATIONS  
4 COULD, IN FACT, BE USED IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY.

5 MR. KUHS CAN PROBABLY FIND THAT WHILE I'M  
6 GOING ON HERE.

7 BUT THE POINT OF THE MATTER IS THAT HE IS  
8 NOW -- THIS IS THE SECOND TIME WE'VE HAD A VERY SIMILAR  
9 SITUATION. WE WERE PROVIDED WITH AN EXPERT REPORT. WE  
10 CROSS-EXAMINED AN EXPERT ON THIS EXPERT REPORT. WE'VE  
11 CROSS-EXAMINED THEM ON WHAT THEIR OPINIONS. AND NOW  
12 THERE IS A CHANGE.

13 IF WE ARE TALKING ABOUT AN EXPERT  
14 HYDROLOGIST CHANGING CALCULATIONS AND CHANGING THE  
15 EQUATIONS UPON WHICH HE HAS BASED HIS OPINION, THEN WE  
16 ARE TALKING ABOUT A CHANGE OF AN OPINION.

17 TO THE EXTENT THAT WE HAVE BEEN DENIED  
18 DISCOVERY ON THAT -- IT IS, IN FACT, NOT ON THE HARD  
19 DRIVE -- ALONG WITH, I WILL NOTE, THE -- MR. DURBIN  
20 ADMITTED YESTERDAY THAT ALSO NOT INCLUDED WAS ANY OF THE  
21 INFORMATION TAKEN DOWN BY THE ASSISTANT AS TO THE  
22 GRAVEL, ROCK, OR WHATEVER WAS IN THE STREAM CHANNEL IN  
23 ORDER TO BE ABLE TO MAKE THE DETERMINATIONS THAT ARE  
24 NECESSARY.

25 BUT MR. JOYCE IS CORRECT. IF YOU GO THROUGH  
26 AND IF YOU READ THROUGH THE ANALYSIS BY MR. DURBIN, HE  
27 SPECIFICALLY SETS FORTH WHY THE HEDMAN AND OSTERKAMP  
28 METHOD -- HE GOES THROUGH WHY THE HEDMAN AND OSTERKAMP



1 METHOD CAN BE APPLIED TO THE PARTICULAR SITUATION HERE,  
2 BASED UPON THE SEDIMENTS, BASED UPON THE PERENNIAL  
3 STREAMS OR OTHERWISE. AND HE GOES THROUGH ON A READING  
4 OF IT AND EXPLAINS EXACTLY WHY HEDMAN AND OSTERKAMP  
5 APPLY HERE.

6 AND WHEN YOU GET TO THE SENTENCE ABOUT WHY  
7 HE APPLIES HEDMAN AND OSTERKAMP AND THE FACT THAT IT IS  
8 A PARTICULARLY APPLICABLE STREAM RELATION BECAUSE IT IS  
9 CLOSE ENOUGH, THERE'S NO QUESTION THAT THAT IS WHAT HE  
10 WAS DOING AT THE TIME.

11 NOW, AT THIS POINT HE IS DOING SOMETHING  
12 COMPLETELY DIFFERENT, AND HE NOW SAYS YESTERDAY, IN HIS  
13 CROSS-EXAMINATION, THAT HE HAS SOME -- HE USED SOME NEW  
14 EQUATION. "WELL, I DIDN'T USE HEDMAN AND OSTERKAMP,  
15 AFTER I WAS CROSS-EXAMINED ON IT," AFTER MR. KUHS  
16 CLEARLY SHOWED THAT HE WAS NOT PROPERLY USING OSTERKAMP  
17 BECAUSE IT DIDN'T COMPLY WITH WHAT OSTERKAMP PUT DOWN IN  
18 TERMS OF THE VALUES. IT WAS VERY CLEAR THAT THAT'S NOT  
19 WHAT HE WAS USING.

20 SO NOW HE IS SAYING, "I USED SOME DIFFERENT  
21 EQUATION, AND THAT EQUATION ISN'T ON THE HARD DRIVE.  
22 THAT EQUATION ISN'T IN COURT. I CAN'T EVEN TELL YOU  
23 WHAT THAT EQUATION WAS."

24 SO THERE --

25 THE COURT: ONE OF THE THINGS I'M CONCERNED ABOUT  
26 HERE IS THAT THE WITNESS HAS INDICATED HE WANTS TO MAKE  
27 A CHANGE OR CORRECTION TO HIS TESTIMONY WHICH WAS GIVEN  
28 IN ERROR. I DON'T KNOW IF IT RELATES TO THIS OR NOT.

1 AND COUNSEL DENIED HIM THE OPPORTUNITY TO DO THAT.

2 IT SEEMS TO ME I'D WANT TO KNOW WHAT THAT IS  
3 BEFORE I HEAR FURTHER ARGUMENT ON THIS MOTION TO STRIKE.

4 MR. ZIMMER: IF I COULD JUST FINISH THE SENTENCE.

5 MR. KUHS HANDED ME A SENTENCE THAT SAYS,  
6 "THE ANTELOPE VALLEY" -- THIS IS C.2.3.2. AND IT  
7 CONCLUDES WITH:

8 "THE ANTELOPE VALLEY, WHICH IS  
9 marginally within the study area  
10 evaluated by Hedman and Osterkamp,"  
11 paren, "(1982). However, the valley is  
12 sufficient similar to the study area to  
13 apply the channel geometry relations."

14 AND THE CHANNEL GEOMETRY RELATIONS, YOUR  
15 HONOR, ARE WHAT WE SAW ON THE TABLE THAT SHOWS YOU WHAT  
16 EQUATION TO APPLY.

17 AND JUST TO RESPOND TO THE COURT'S LAST  
18 COMMENT ABOUT HEARING WHAT MR. DURBIN HAS TO SAY, I'M  
19 FINE WITH THAT. BUT I WOULD NOTE --

20 THE COURT: WELL, I'M GLAD.

21

22 (LAUGHTER.)

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24 MR. ZIMMER: I APPRECIATE THAT. BUT FROM A  
25 FOUNDATIONAL STANDPOINT, YOUR HONOR, I'M NOT SURE THAT  
26 IT MAKES ANY DIFFERENCE BECAUSE HE HAS -- HE HAS CHANGED  
27 HIS TESTIMONY, AND NOW --

28 THE COURT: WE DON'T KNOW UNTIL WE HEAR IT.

1 MR. DURBIN?

2 THE WITNESS: THE CORRECTION IS UNRELATED TO THIS.

3 THE COURT: OKAY. THEN WE WILL TAKE IT LATER.

4 MS. RILEY: YOUR HONOR, IF I MAY RESPOND --

5 THE COURT: YES.

6 MS. RILEY: -- TO MR. JOYCE AND MR. ZIMMER.

7 MR. JOYCE, IN RESPONSE TO YOUR DIRECT  
8 QUESTION, DID NOT APPEAR TO POINT TO ANY EVIDENCE IN THE  
9 DEPOSITION THAT SHOWED THAT HE WAS EXTENSIVELY  
10 QUESTIONING MR. DURBIN ON THE STREAM CHANNEL  
11 METHODOLOGY, MR. DURBIN HAS NOT CHANGED HIS OPINION. HE  
12 ANSWERED HONESTLY THAT HE -- IN RESPONSE TO MR. KUHS'  
13 QUESTION YESTERDAY, THAT HE HAD NOT INCLUDED DOCUMENTS  
14 IN THE REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION OF DOCUMENTS BECAUSE,  
15 APPARENTLY, THEY WERE NO LONGER IN HIS POSSESSION, AND  
16 HE WAS UNABLE TO LOCATE THEM IN THE REQUEST TO THE --  
17 THE REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION OF DOCUMENTS.

18 I WOULD SUBMIT TO THE COURT THAT  
19 MR. DURBIN'S OPINION HAS REMAINED CONSTANT. AND IT IS  
20 FOR THE COURT TO DETERMINE, IN WEIGHING THE EVIDENCE, AS  
21 TO WHETHER THE EVIDENCE ON THIS STREAM CHANNEL  
22 METHODOLOGY IS SUFFICIENT FOR YOUR PURPOSES.

23 MR. WILLIAM KUHS: I WANT TO BE HEARD BRIEFLY IN  
24 RESPONSE, YOUR HONOR.

25 THE COURT: YES, YOU MAY.

26 MR. WILLIAM KUHS: I WILL REPRESENT TO THE COURT,  
27 I HAVE SPENT A SIGNIFICANT AMOUNT OF TIME ANALYZING  
28 APPENDIX C OF SCALMANINI 101. I HAVE DONE THE

1 CALCULATIONS. WE HAVE LOOKED FOR EVIDENCE. WE HAVE  
2 ASSUMED CHANNEL WIDTHS. AND IF YOU PROPERLY APPLY THE  
3 EQUATIONS OUT OF THIS AUTHORITY, YOU GET SIGNIFICANTLY  
4 DIFFERENT RESULTS.

5 NOW, TO SUGGEST NOW THAT WE CAN PROCEED  
6 WITHOUT KNOWING THAT -- FOR EXAMPLE, HE COULD BE ALLOWED  
7 TO COME IN AND DEMONSTRATE TO THE COURT A DIFFERENT  
8 EQUATION DURING TRIAL --

9 YOUR HONOR CORRECTLY NOTED YESTERDAY, THIS  
10 IS NOT A DEPOSITION; THIS IS A TRIAL. WE ARE LOCATED IN  
11 BAKERSFIELD. WE ARE DOWN HERE IN LOS ANGELES. WE ARE  
12 NOT PREPARED TO SIT DOWN AND CALL ALL OF OUR EXPERTS AND  
13 DO A SIGNIFICANT AMOUNT OF CALCULATIONS DURING TRIAL,  
14 PARTICULARLY GIVEN THE TIME CONSTRAINTS OF THE COURT.

15 AND SO, IN THE RECORD, TO SUGGEST THAT HIS  
16 OPINIONS ARE VALID, WHEN THERE IS NO SCIENTIFIC BASIS  
17 ANYWHERE FOR IT, IS BEYOND ME. I HAVE NEVER -- I HAVE  
18 NEVER SEEN EXPERT TESTIMONY, SCIENTIFIC TESTIMONY, THAT  
19 IS NOT SUPPORTED BY APPROPRIATE DATA, BY APPROPRIATE  
20 CALCULATIONS, BY APPROPRIATE FORMULAS, PARTICULARLY IN A  
21 CASE LIKE THIS.

22 MR. JOYCE: YOUR HONOR, JUST ONE COMMENT.

23 ON THE ISSUE RAISED BY COUNSEL FOR  
24 MR. DURBIN, THE ISSUE OF WEIGHT IS NOT REACHED UNTIL THE  
25 ISSUE OF ADMISSIBILITY HAS BEEN RESOLVED.

26 THE COURT: OKAY. I UNDERSTAND THE LAW. YOU  
27 DESCRIBED THE KIND OF CROSS-EXAMINATION THAT WE HAVE  
28 GOTTEN TO THIS ISSUE AT THE DEPOSITION AS "MINUTIA." I

1 DON'T THINK THAT IS TRUE. I THINK IT IS PROPER TO  
2 INQUIRE IN DETAIL ABOUT AN EXPERT'S BASIS FOR AN  
3 OPINION.

4 YOU DON'T HAVE TO SAY ANYTHING, MR. JOYCE.

5 AT THIS POINT, I'M GOING TO TAKE THIS UNDER  
6 SUBMISSION. I'M GOING TO PERMIT COUNSEL TO ATTEMPT TO  
7 REHABILITATE THE WITNESS BECAUSE I THINK THE POINTS THAT  
8 MR. KUHS AND OTHER COUNSEL HAVE MADE HAVE SOME VALUE AND  
9 VALIDITY TO THEM.

10 AND I THINK THERE NEEDS TO BE --  
11 PARTICULARLY ON THE ISSUE OF SCIENTIFIC BASIS AND BASIS  
12 FOR THE OPINION, I THINK THERE NEEDS TO BE SOME MORE  
13 EVIDENCE PRESENTED IF IT IS THERE. IF IT IS NOT THERE,  
14 WE WILL DEAL WITH THAT.

15 I'M NOT AS CONCERNED ABOUT THE DISCOVERY  
16 ISSUE BECAUSE I THINK THAT THERE WAS AN OPPORTUNITY  
17 TO -- YOU KNEW WHAT HIS OPINION WAS. THERE WAS PLENTY  
18 OF OPPORTUNITY TO CROSS-EXAMINE HIM AND TO EXPLORE  
19 FURTHER AT HIS DEPOSITION THE BASIS FOR THAT OPINION, TO  
20 POINT OUT THE DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE SCALMANINI REPORT  
21 APPENDICES, AND OTHER THINGS.

22 SO IT IS UNDER SUBMISSION UNTIL AFTER HE HAS  
23 BEEN EXCUSED.

24 MR. JOYCE: YOUR HONOR, I UNDERSTAND THE COURT'S  
25 DETERMINATION, BUT FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE RECORD, I HAVE  
26 A STATEMENT TO MAKE.

27 THE COURT NEEDS TO APPRECIATE THAT APPENDIX  
28 C TO THE EXHIBIT 101 IS AUTHORED BY MR. DURBIN. WHAT

1 THE COURT SEES BEFORE IT ARE WORDS PUT ON PAPER BY  
2 MR. DURBIN.

3 THE COURT: I UNDERSTAND THAT.

4 MR. JOYCE: FOR THE PURPOSE OF RECORD, YOUR HONOR,  
5 PRIOR TO THE DEPOSITION, BY CONTEXT AND BY CONTENT, IT  
6 WAS ABUNDANTLY CLEAR UPON READING EXHIBIT B37 THAT THE  
7 SOURCE AND THE METHODOLOGY AND THE FORMULAS RELIED UPON  
8 BY MR. DURBIN WERE AS SET FORTH IN THE HEDMAN AND  
9 OSTERKAMP --

10 THE COURT: THAT IS JUST MORE ARGUMENT.

11 MR. JOYCE: IT'S NOT ARGUMENT. IT'S FOR THE  
12 BENEFIT OF THE RECORD.

13 THE COURT: IT'S UNDER SUBMISSION. I WANT TO  
14 PROCEED WITH TESTIMONY.

15 MR. JOYCE: I'LL JUST NOTE THAT I HAVE NOT  
16 FINISHED MY STATEMENT FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE RECORD.

17 THE COURT: THAT IS OBVIOUS.

18 YES?

19 MR. TOOTLE: YOUR HONOR, MR. KUHS HAS MADE  
20 REPRESENTATIONS THAT HE HAS DONE CALCULATIONS AND  
21 EVIDENCED THAT MR. DURBIN'S FORMULA DOES NOT WORK. I  
22 WOULD REQUEST THAT HE PRODUCE THOSE CALCULATIONS SO THAT  
23 WE HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY ON REDIRECT TO SHOW THAT THE  
24 FORMULA DOES WORK. BECAUSE, I MEAN, REALLY, WHAT WE'RE  
25 TALKING ABOUT HERE --

26 THE COURT: I'M NOT GOING TO ORDER MR. KUHS TO  
27 PROVIDE YOU WITH ANYTHING. HE HAS TO MAKE AN ADEQUATE  
28 RECORD IN ORDER TO HAVE HIS --

1 MR. TOOTLE: OKAY. BUT HE HASN'T MADE THE RECORD.  
2 THAT'S ALL I WANTED TO POINT OUT.

3 THE COURT: LET'S PROCEED WITH TESTIMONY.

4 DID YOU WANT TO ELICIT THE CORRECTION OF THE  
5 TESTIMONY OF THE WITNESS?

6 MR. WILLIAM KUHS: YES. HE SHOULD BE ALLOWED TO  
7 MAKE HIS STATEMENT, YOUR HONOR, WHATEVER IT IS.

8 THE COURT: GO AHEAD, MR. DURBIN.

9 THE WITNESS: YESTERDAY THERE WAS SOME QUESTIONING  
10 OF ME REGARDING THE RELATIONSHIP I USED TO CALCULATE THE  
11 FLOWS ONTO THE PLAYA FROM THE MOUNTAIN FRONT. AND THERE  
12 WERE SOME QUESTIONS RELATING TO THE CHARACTERISTICS OF  
13 THE CHANNEL REACH THAT I USED TO CALIBRATE THE  
14 RELATIONSHIP.

15 AND YESTERDAY, I HAD INDICATED THAT THE --  
16 THAT THE REACH I USED TO CALIBRATE WAS FROM THE STREAM  
17 GAUGING STATION AT BIG ROCK CREEK, NEAR VALYERMO, WHICH  
18 IS IN THE CANYON RIGHT AT THE MOUNTAIN FRONT. AND THE  
19 OTHER GAUGE STATION WAS DOWN AT HIGHWAY 138.

20 AND, AGAIN, I WAS ASKED QUESTIONS ABOUT  
21 CONDITIONS INTERVENING BETWEEN THOSE TWO LOCATIONS.

22 LAST NIGHT I REVIEWED MY EXPERT REPORT TO --  
23 ON WHAT I ACTUALLY DID. AND THE -- IN THE CALCULATIONS  
24 FOR THE CALIBRATION, I USED ONLY THE LOWER HALF OF THAT  
25 OVERALL REACH. AND I USED THE REACH FROM BELOW PALLET  
26 CREEK DOWN TO THE HIGHWAY 138 GAUGE. AND THAT IS, AS I  
27 SAY, APPROXIMATELY HALF OF THE OVERALL DISTANCE.

28 AND I PRESUMED, BASED ON HYDROLOGIC

1 CONDITIONS UPSTREAM, THAT THERE WAS NO RECHARGE THAT  
2 OCCURRED. AND THERE WERE TWO REASONS FOR THAT. ONE WAS  
3 THAT THERE'S HIGH GROUNDWATER LEVELS IN THE UPSTREAM  
4 AREA, AND THERE'S ALSO A PLACE WHERE THE STREAM CROSSES  
5 BEDROCK.

6 SO AGAIN, IN THE CALCULATION, I USED THIS  
7 MORE LIMITED REACH THAT IS JUST ENTIRELY UNDERLAIN BY  
8 THE ALLUVIAL FAN.

9 AND THAT -- THERE IS -- IN MY EXPERT REPORT,  
10 ON FIGURE C38, THERE'S A MAP THAT SHOWS THE ALLUVIUM AND  
11 SOME OF THE GAUGING STATIONS THAT I USED. AND THIS IS  
12 ALSO DESCRIBED ON PAGE 31 IN THE TEXT OF MY EXPERT  
13 REPORT.

14 THE COURT: ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU.

15 MR. KUHS, YOU MAY EXAMINE.

16

17 CROSS-EXAMINATION (CONTINUED)

18 BY MR. WILLIAM KUHS:

19 Q MR. DURBIN, WITH RESPECT TO YOUR LAST  
20 RESPONSE -- OR YOUR LAST CLARIFICATION, IF YOU LOOK  
21 AT -- YOU REFERRED TO FIGURE C38 OF APPENDIX C OF THE  
22 EXPERT REPORT.

23 A IF I SAID "38," I MEANT "36."

24 Q WELL, DOES C36 TELL US ANYTHING ABOUT THE  
25 CALIBRATION REACH THAT YOU JUST DESCRIBED?

26 A NOT BY ITSELF. YOU WOULD HAVE TO COMBINE IT  
27 WITH THE TEXT ON PAGE C31 AND THE DESCRIPTION THERE.

28 Q FIGURE C36 JUST INDICATES THE LOCATION OF



1 THE GAUGING STATIONS; CORRECT?

2 A YES. AND ALSO, IT SHOWS THE BASIC GEOLOGY.

3 Q AND THEN YOUR EXHIBIT -- IF YOU'D TURN TO  
4 YOUR EXHIBIT G64. THAT, AS A PICTORIAL MATTER,  
5 DEMONSTRATES THE CALIBRATION REACH THAT YOU JUST  
6 DESCRIBED?

7 A IT DESCRIBES THE OVERALL REACH I USED IN THE  
8 CALIBRATION PROCESS; CORRECT.

9 Q AND NOW ARE YOU TELLING US BY WAY OF  
10 CORRECTION THAT THE INDICATED CALIBRATION REACH ON  
11 EXHIBIT G64 IS NOT ACCURATELY DEPICTED ON THAT EXHIBIT?

12 A NO. IT IS ACCURATELY DEPICTED. WHAT IS NOT  
13 DEPICTED ON THIS IS THE FACT THAT I ONLY USED, IN THE  
14 EQUATION DURING THE CALIBRATION, A REACH THAT IS  
15 APPROXIMATELY HALF THAT DISTANCE.

16 Q SO CAN YOU, FOR -- AND YOU ARE SAYING IN  
17 WORDS, WITH RESPECT TO EXHIBIT G64, THAT THE MOST  
18 SOUTHERLY --

19 WELL, LET ME ASK THIS QUESTION. ON G64,  
20 NORTH IS TO THE TOP OF THE PAGE; CORRECT?

21 A CORRECT.

22 Q SO YOU ARE SAYING APPROXIMATELY THE  
23 SOUTHERLY HALF OF THE CALIBRATION REACH DEPICTED ON G64  
24 WAS NOT, IN FACT, USED FOR CALIBRATION?

25 A THE -- THAT OVERALL REACH -- WELL, IT IS  
26 NOT -- IT IS -- IN THE CALIBRATION PROCESS, IT IS  
27 PRESUMED TO BE A REACH IN WHICH NO RECHARGE OCCURS OR NO  
28 CHANNEL LOSSES OCCUR.

1 Q NOW, WAS THERE A GAUGING STATION WITHIN THAT  
2 CALIBRATION REACH, AS DISTINGUISHED FROM EACH END?

3 A YES. THAT IS THE GAUGE ON BIG ROCK CREEK,  
4 ABOVE PALLET CREEK.

5 Q THAT STATION IS NOT SHOWN ON G64; IS THAT  
6 CORRECT?

7 A NOT THERE. IT IS SHOWN IN MY EXPERT REPORT  
8 IN FIGURE 36.

9 MR. WILLIAM KUHS: I WANT TO MARK AS TEJON'S NEXT  
10 IN ORDER A COPY OF TABLE C28 FROM APPENDIX C OF  
11 SCALMANINI 101, WHICH IS ENTITLED "ANNUAL GROUNDWATER  
12 RECHARGE FOR 1949-2005."

13 THE COURT: THAT IS 38.

14 MR. BUNN: EXCUSE ME, YOUR HONOR. I SHOW D38 TO  
15 BE EXHIBIT 1 FROM THE DEPOSITION.

16 THE COURT: THEN IT IS 39.

17 MR. BUNN: THANK YOU.

18

19 (TEJON EXHIBIT D39 MARKED  
20 FOR IDENTIFICATION.)

21

22 THE WITNESS: ARE WE TALKING ABOUT C28?

23 BY MR. WILLIAM KUHS:

24 Q YES. I WILL HAND YOU A COPY, MR. DURBIN, SO  
25 YOU DON'T HAVE TO THUMB THROUGH THE BIG REPORT.

26 A THANK YOU.

27 Q NOW, MR. DURBIN, THIS IS A TABLE FROM YOUR  
28 REPORT. AND ON THIS TABLE, AMONG OTHER THINGS IN WHAT

1 I'LL CALL COLUMN 5, WHICH IS HEADED "WATERSHED OUTFLOW  
2 DIVERSIONS," AND THEN COLUMN 6, "PLAYA FLOODING" -- I  
3 WANT TO REFER TO THOSE TWO COLUMNS IN MY NEXT SERIES OF  
4 QUESTIONS. OKAY?

5 A YES.

6 Q NOW, WITH RESPECT TO THE DIVERSIONS, AND  
7 OVER ON PAGE 2 OF EXHIBIT D39, YOU COME UP WITH AVERAGE  
8 DIVERSIONS FROM THE WATERSHED OF 2,400 ACRE-FEET. DO  
9 YOU SEE THAT NUMBER?

10 A I AM -- I'M LOOKING AT D39?

11 Q NO -- YES, EXHIBIT D39.

12 A OKAY. I SEE AT THE END OF TABLE, YES.

13 Q THE LAST ENTRY ON D39 ARE YOUR AVERAGES OF  
14 DATA THAT'S SUMMARIZED ABOVE; CORRECT?

15 A CORRECT. NOW I SEE THAT, YES.

16 Q NOW, EARLIER IN YOUR REPORT -- WELL, STRIKE  
17 THAT.

18 THOSE DIVERSIONS ARE DIVERSIONS FROM LITTLE  
19 ROCK CREEK; IS THAT CORRECT?

20 A YES.

21 Q EARLIER IN YOUR REPORT, I SAW A FIGURE OF  
22 DIVERSIONS OF APPROXIMATELY 4,000 ACRE-FEET A YEAR. DO  
23 YOU RECALL THAT?

24 A I DON'T. YOU WOULD HAVE TO DIRECT MY  
25 ATTENTION TO WHATEVER GRAPH OR TABLE YOU ARE REFERRING  
26 TO.

27 Q OKAY. NOW, WHAT -- WHEN THE WATER IS  
28 DIVERTED OUT OF LITTLE ROCK CREEK, AND USING YOUR FIGURE

1 OF 2400 ACRE-FEET A YEAR, AVERAGE, WHERE DOES THAT WATER  
2 GO?

3 A WELL, IT GOES TO VARIOUS USES. I BELIEVE  
4 PART OF IT GOES TO AGRICULTURE, IRRIGATION. AND I THINK  
5 OTHER PARTS GO TO A LAKE DOWN BY PALMDALE, AND I THINK  
6 IT IS USED --

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8 (DISCUSSION HELD OFF THE RECORD.)

9

10 THE WITNESS: FOR AGRICULTURAL USE; AND SOME OF IT  
11 GOES TO -- I BELIEVE, GOES TO A POND THAT IS NEAR  
12 PALMDALE AND MAYBE -- OR A LAKE, AND PERHAPS SOME OF  
13 THAT WATER IS USED FOR M & I. I'M JUST NOT SURE.  
14 BY MR. WILLIAM KUHS:

15 Q WHAT PORTION OF THOSE DIVERTED FLOWS ARE  
16 CONSUMPTIVELY USED AS DISTINGUISHED FROM RESULT IN  
17 RECHARGE TO THE AQUIFER?

18 MS. RILEY: OBJECTION; BEYOND THE SCOPE OF DIRECT.

19 THE COURT: OVERRULED.

20 THE WITNESS: THE -- JUST FROM THE TYPE OF USES,  
21 SOMETHING ON THE ORDER OF HALF OF IT, MAYBE, IS  
22 CONSUMED, AND THE REST WOULD RETURN TO THE HYDROLOGIC  
23 SYSTEM. I HAVEN'T EXAMINED WHAT THAT NUMBER IS, BUT  
24 THAT WOULD BE A NUMBER THAT WOULD BE TYPICAL OF THOSE  
25 SORTS OF USES.

26 BY MR. WILLIAM KUHS:

27 Q AND SO WOULD IT NOT BE, THEN, ACCURATE TO --  
28 IF YOU ASSUME THAT IT WAS 50 PERCENT OF THAT WATER

1     RETURNED TO THE AQUIFER, WOULD IT WOULD NOT BE  
2     APPROPRIATE, THEN, TO INCLUDE THAT WATER IN THE LAST  
3     COLUMN OF EXHIBIT D39 AS RECHARGE TO THE AQUIFER?

4             A           WELL, IT WOULD BE RECHARGE TO THE AQUIFER,  
5     BUT I'M NOT SURE THIS TABLE IS THE RIGHT PLACE TO DO IT.  
6     I THINK IT IS SOMETHING MORE APPROPRIATELY CONSIDERED IN  
7     THE WORK THAT MR. SCALMANINI DID, WHERE HE IS LOOKING AT  
8     RETURN FLOWS FROM VARIOUS USES OF WATER.

9             Q           WELL, I ASKED YOU THE QUESTION, WHAT PORTION  
10    WAS -- WOULD BE CONSUMED. AND AT LEAST YOUR TESTIMONY  
11    NOW IS PERHAPS 50 PERCENT, AND 50 PERCENT WOULD  
12    INFILTRATE.

13                    YOU ARE DEDUCTING IT -- ON EXHIBIT D39, YOU  
14    ARE DEDUCTING DIVERSIONS IN YOUR CALCULATIONS IN ORDER  
15    TO COME UP WITH GROUNDWATER RECHARGE. SO IF YOU TOOK  
16    50 PERCENT OF THE NUMBER THAT SHOWS UP IN THE FIFTH  
17    COLUMN, UNDER DIVERSIONS, AND DID NOT DEDUCT THAT FROM  
18    THE RUNOFF AND FROM THE GROUNDWATER OR FROM THE YIELD,  
19    THEN THAT WOULD NECESSARILY INCREASE THE LAST COLUMN ON  
20    EXHIBIT D39 BY 50 PERCENT OF THOSE DIVERSIONS; CORRECT?

21             A           IF YOU DID THAT CALCULATION, IT WOULD -- IT  
22    WOULD INCREASE IT, BUT THAT IS NOT AN APPROPRIATE  
23    CALCULATION TO DO.

24             Q           IS IT AN APPROPRIATE CALCULATION TO DEDUCT  
25    IT FROM YOUR YIELDS IN THE FOURTH COLUMN OF THIS  
26    EXHIBIT?

27             A           IT IS, BECAUSE THAT IS WATER THAT NO LONGER  
28    IS AVAILABLE FOR NATURAL RECHARGE. IT BECOMES AVAILABLE

1 NOW FOR CREATING RETURN FLOWS TO THE GROUNDWATER SYSTEM,  
2 BUT THIS TABLE REPRESENTS NATURAL FLOWS, AND I DON'T  
3 CONSIDER THE RETURNS FROM AG. AND M & I'S TO BE NATURAL  
4 RECHARGE.

5 Q SOME OF THIS WATER, YOU TOLD US, GOES DOWN  
6 INTO A LAKE; CORRECT?

7 A AT LEAST THAT IS MY UNDERSTANDING, YES.

8 Q IF IT GOES INTO A LAKE, ARE THE BOTTOMS OF  
9 THOSE LAKES LINED WITH CLAY SO YOU HAVE ABSOLUTELY NO  
10 INFILTRATION FROM THAT SOURCE OF WATER?

11 A I DON'T WHAT THAT LAKE IS LIKE, BUT IT IS  
12 STILL NOT NATURAL RECHARGE. IT'S RECHARGE FROM AN  
13 ARTIFICIALLY CREATED LAKE.

14 Q BUT IT IS DIRECT RECHARGE OUT OF THE  
15 WATERSHED, OUT OF THE FLOWS OF LITTLE ROCK CREEK;  
16 CORRECT?

17 A IT IS.

18 Q OKAY.

19 A I MEAN, IT IS WATER THAT ORIGINATED IN  
20 LITTLE ROCK CREEK, BUT I MEAN, AS I -- WELL, I'VE SAID A  
21 NUMBER OF TIMES IN THIS CONVERSATION THAT I DIDN'T  
22 DEFINE IT AS PART OF THE NATURAL RECHARGE BECAUSE IT WAS  
23 NO LONGER OCCURRING BY A NATURAL PROCESS.

24 Q WELL, THE ONLY DIFFERENCE -- IF YOU ASSUME  
25 FOR THE PURPOSE OF THIS QUESTION THAT THE WATER IS  
26 DIVERTED OUT OF LITTLE ROCK CREEK, IT GOES DOWN ANOTHER  
27 CHANNEL -- EITHER IN A MANMADE CONDUIT OR IN AN OPEN,  
28 NATURAL CHANNEL -- IT ENDS UP IN A LAKE, AND THE WATER

1 INFILTRATES INTO THE AQUIFER, WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE  
2 WHETHER IT INFILTRATES OUT OF THE FLOWS OF LITTLE ROCK  
3 CREEK OR INFILTRATES OUT OF THE BOTTOM OF A LAKE?

4 A QUANTITATIVELY, THERE IS NO DIFFERENCE.

5 Q OKAY. LET'S TALK, THEN, A LITTLE BIT --  
6 WHAT I WOULD LIKE TO MARK AS NEXT IN ORDER,  
7 YOUR HONOR -- BECAUSE WE ARE GOING TO GET INTO SOME  
8 METRICS. SO WHAT I WOULD LIKE TO MARK AS NEXT ORDER,  
9 AND ASK THE COURT TO TAKE JUDICIAL NOTICE OF IT, IS THE  
10 CONVERSION FACTORS FROM METRIC TO ENGLISH.

11 THE COURT: WHAT?

12 MR. WILLIAM KUHS: METRIC MEASUREMENTS TO ENGLISH.

13 THE COURT: ENGLISH LANGUAGE?

14 MR. WILLIAM KUHS: ENGLISH NUMBERS.

15 THE COURT: OKAY.

16 MR. WILLIAM KUHS: THIS IS D40.

17

18 (TEJON EXHIBIT D40 MARKED  
19 FOR IDENTIFICATION.)

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21 BY MR. WILLIAM KUHS:

22 MR. WILLIAM KUHS: AND THE SOURCE OF THIS IS  
23 SIMPLY A COPY OUT OF MR. DURBIN'S 1978 WORK. AND I  
24 WOULD ASK THE COURT TO TAKE JUDICIAL NOTICE OF D40.

25 THE COURT: HAS ANYBODY REVIEWED THIS FOR  
26 ACCURACY?

27 MR. WEEKS: I HAVE NOT -- I DON'T EVEN HAVE A COPY  
28 OF IT. I DON'T THINK WE NEED TO TAKE JUDICIAL NOTICE OF

1 A DOCUMENT TO CONVERT METRIC TO ENGLISH.

2 THE COURT: I THINK IT IS AN APPROPRIATE ITEM FOR  
3 JUDICIAL NOTICE, A FACT.

4 MS. RILEY: YOUR HONOR, I WOULD BE INTERESTED IN  
5 SEEING THE ENTIRE REPORT WITH THIS DOCUMENT IN IT.

6 THE COURT: WELL, ONLY AS TO THE CONVERSION OF  
7 METRIC TO THE ENGLISH UNITS, IT SEEMS TO ME IT IS AN  
8 APPROPRIATE SUBJECT FOR JUDICIAL NOTICE, JUST AS  
9 CENTIGRADE-TO-FAHRENHEIT AND FAHRENHEIT-TO-CENTIGRADE  
10 TABLES AND THE LIKE, BUT I JUST WANT SOMEBODY TO REVIEW  
11 IT FOR ACCURACY.

12 MR. ZIMMER: THESE ARE MATTERS THAT ARE NOT  
13 SUBJECT TO REASONABLE DISPUTE CAN BE JUDICIALLY NOTICED.  
14 I WILL GIVE THEM AN OPPORTUNITY TO LOOK AT IT.

15 THE COURT: IF IT IS ACCURATE.

16 MR. BUNN: YOUR HONOR, IT APPEARS TO BE ACCURATE.

17 MR. MCLACHLAN: WE HAVE THE AUTHOR IN THE ROOM.  
18 HE COULD PROBABLY VERIFY IT.

19 THE COURT: IF HE VERIFIES IT, THERE'S NO REASON  
20 FOR JUDICIAL NOTICE, IS THERE.

21 MR. WILLIAM KUHS: WOULD YOU LIKE HIM TO VERIFY  
22 IT, YOUR HONOR?

23 THE COURT: IF YOU WANT TO ASK HIM THAT QUESTION.  
24 BY MR. WILLIAM KUHS:

25 Q MR. DURBIN, DOES EXHIBIT D40 APPEAR TO BE AN  
26 ACCURATE -- EXCUSE ME. LET ME DO IT THIS WAY.

27 IS IT COMMON IN MOST, IF NOT ALL, USGS  
28 REPORTS THAT IN THE FRONT OF THE REPORT THERE'S



1 CONVERSION FACTORS LISTED TO CONVERT FROM METRIC TO  
2 ENGLISH, AS WELL AS, PERHAPS, A LOT OF OTHER CONVERSION  
3 FACTORS?

4 A THAT'S CORRECT.

5 Q AND IN YOUR 1978 REPORT, YOU INCLUDED SUCH A  
6 TABLE; CORRECT?

7 A I DID.

8 Q AND DOES D40 APPEAR TO BE -- AND I'M ONLY  
9 CONCERNED WITH FEET TO METERS AND SQUARE MILES TO SQUARE  
10 METERS AND POSSIBLY ACRES TO -- WELL, I DON'T HAVE TO  
11 HAVE ACRES TO ACRES. SO JUST THOSE FACTORS.

12 A THE ONLY ONE THAT I HAVE IN MY HEAD IS THE  
13 RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN FEET AND METERS.

14 THE COURT: WELL, MR. DURBIN, DID YOU PREPARE  
15 THIS?

16 THE WITNESS: I DID, 30 YEARS AGO.

17 THE COURT: WAS IT ACCURATE AT THE TIME YOU  
18 PREPARED IT?

19 THE WITNESS: I PRESUME IT WAS. ANY OF THESE, I  
20 COULD SIT DOWN AND DO A CALCULATION RIGHT NOW, AND IF  
21 YOU HAVE A PARTICULAR QUESTION AND WANTED TO CHECK IT.  
22 BECAUSE AS I SAY, I ONLY CARRY -- THERE'S ONLY ONE  
23 NUMBER ON THERE THAT IS SORT OF A COMMON NUMBER THAT I  
24 HAVE IN MY HEAD.

25 THE COURT: GO AHEAD, MR. KUHS.

26 MR. WILLIAM KUHS: I WOULD LIKE TO MARK AS  
27 DEFENDANT'S NEXT IN ORDER A COPY OF AN ARTICLE THAT IS  
28 REFERRED TO AND CITED TO BY MR. DURBIN IN HIS SUMMARY

1 EXPERT REPORT. IT IS FAIRLY LENGTHY. I ONLY MADE TWO  
2 COPIES OF IT, ONE FOR COUNSEL AND ONE TO MARK.

3 THE COURT: ALL RIGHT. NEXT IN ORDER FOR  
4 IDENTIFICATION.

5

6 (TEJON EXHIBIT D41 MARKED  
7 FOR IDENTIFICATION.)

8

9 BY MR. WILLIAM KUHS:

10 Q I'LL PROVIDE THE WITNESS WITH MY COPY OF  
11 THIS REPORT -- WELL, I PREFER --

12 CAN THE COURT LOAN THE WITNESS THE COPY FOR  
13 PURPOSE OF A FEW QUESTIONS?

14 I'LL JUST ASK YOU, MR. DURBIN, WHETHER YOU  
15 ARE FAMILIAR WITH THIS REPORT. AND I'LL REPRESENT TO  
16 YOU THAT IT IS -- AS FAR AS I KNOW, IT IS A REPORT  
17 REFERRED TO IN YOUR SUMMARY EXPERT REPORT AND INCLUDED  
18 AS REFERENCE MATERIALS IN THE EXTERNAL HARD DRIVE.

19 A YES, I AM FAMILIAR WITH THIS REPORT. AND  
20 ACTUALLY, PARTS OF MY WORK, I HAD CONVERSATIONS WITH THE  
21 FIRST TWO AUTHORS.

22 Q OKAY. THAT WOULD BE -- THE FIRST AUTHOR  
23 BEING RICHARD FRENCH AND THE SECOND AUTHOR, JULIAN  
24 MILLER?

25 A CORRECT.

26 Q DID YOU SPEAK WITH EITHER OF THOSE PERSONS  
27 IN CONNECTION WITH YOUR INVESTIGATION LEADING TO YOUR  
28 TESTIMONY HERE TODAY?

1           A           YES, I DID.

2           Q           ON HOW MANY OCCASIONS DID YOU SPEAK WITH  
3 THEM?

4           A           I HAD ONE CONVERSATION WITH BOTH PERSONS.

5           Q           AND DID YOU UNDERSTAND THAT THE PRIMARY  
6 PURPOSE OF THIS REPORT WAS TO ESTIMATE THE PLAYA  
7 FLOODING ON ROGERS PLAYA?

8           A           I DID.

9           Q           NOW, THESE AUTHORS REFER TO ROGERS PLAYA AND  
10 RICH PLAYA, R-I-C-H PLAYA. WHERE IS RICH PLAYA WITH  
11 RESPECT TO ROGERS PLAYA, IF YOU KNOW?

12          A           I THINK -- WELL, I'M NOT SURE. I  
13 SHOULDN'T -- IT'S EITHER THE ONE IN BETWEEN ROGERS AND  
14 ROSAMOND, OR IT IS THE ONE TO THE NORTH OF ROGERS. I'M  
15 JUST NOT SURE OF THE NAMES OF THE VARIOUS PLAYAS.

16          Q           IS IT YOUR UNDERSTANDING THAT THOSE TWO  
17 PLAYAS ARE ESSENTIALLY ONE?

18          A           RICH AND ROGERS?

19          Q           YES.

20          A           I HAVE NO UNDERSTANDING IN THAT REGARD. I  
21 DON'T KNOW.

22          Q           DOES -- DO YOU KNOW WHETHER -- FROM LOOKING  
23 AT THIS REPORT, WHETHER WHEN RICH PLAYA GETS INUNDATED  
24 THAT THERE'S A SMALL SAND DUNE BECAUSE IT AND ROGERS  
25 PLAYA, AND THE FLOWS FROM RICH PLAYA THEN INUNDATE THE  
26 ROGERS PLAYA?

27          A           I'M NOT AWARE OF THAT.

28          Q           LOOKING AT PAGE -- AND I'M REFERRING TO THE

1 PAGES OF THE ARTICLE, WHICH APPEAR EITHER IN THE UPPER  
2 RIGHT-HAND CORNER OR THE UPPER LEFT-HAND CORNER.

3 ON PAGE 148, THERE'S A REPRESENTATION FROM  
4 THESE INVESTIGATORS AS TO THE WATERSHED TRIBUTARY TO THE  
5 ROGERS PLAYA. DO YOU SEE THAT?

6 A PAGE 148. ARE WE LOOKING AT THE MAP OR THE  
7 TEXT?

8 Q THE MAP.

9 A YES, I SEE THE MAP.

10 Q DO YOU AGREE THAT -- THAT THAT MAP  
11 ACCURATELY DEPICTS THE WATERSHED TRIBUTARY TO THE ROGERS  
12 PLAYA?

13 A ACCURATELY OR NOT, I HAVE NO IDEA. IT IS  
14 CERTAINLY AN APPROXIMATION OF WHATEVER THE WATERSHED IS.  
15 I HAVE NO REASON TO DISPUTE THAT.

16 Q OKAY. NOW, IN THIS ARTICLE -- AND I REFER  
17 YOU TO PAGE 148 -- DID THE AUTHORS INDICATE THE 100-YEAR  
18 PRECIPITATION EVENT -- OR WHAT THE MAGNITUDE OF THAT  
19 WOULD BE AT THE ROGERS PLAYA?

20 AND TAKE A LOOK AT THE LAST LINE -- ON PAGE  
21 148, THE LAST LINE IN THE RIGHT-HAND COLUMN.

22 A YES. THEY HAVE A STATEMENT THERE ON THE --  
23 WHAT THEY BELIEVE WAS THE 100-YEAR 24-HOUR PRECIPITATION  
24 DEPTH.

25 Q WHAT IS THAT DEPTH?

26 A 90.2 MILLIMETERS.

27 Q AND LET'S ASSUME FOR THE MOMENT -- BECAUSE  
28 WE CAN ALL DO THE MATH LATER -- THAT THAT'S EQUIVALENT

1 TO 3.55 INCHES OF RAINFALL. OKAY?

2 A YES. IT WOULD BE ROUGHLY DIVIDED BY 30. SO  
3 YES, THAT WOULD BE -- I DON'T KNOW IF YOUR CALCULATION  
4 IS EXACTLY RIGHT, BUT THE MAGNITUDE IS RIGHT.

5 Q OKAY. LET'S JUST SAY ABOUT 3 1/2 INCHES OF  
6 RAINFALL IN 24 HOURS.

7 NOW WHAT'S A STORM WITH A 100-YEAR RETURN  
8 PERIOD? I DON'T MEAN IN QUANTITY, BUT FROM A SCIENTIFIC  
9 STANDPOINT, WHAT DOES THAT REPRESENT STATISTICALLY?

10 A IT IS FOR THE SPECIFIED DURATION -- IN THIS  
11 CASE, WE ARE TALKING ABOUT A 24-HOUR STORM -- IT IS A  
12 STORM THAT HAS THE PROBABILITY OF -- OF 1 PERCENT FOR IT  
13 TO OCCUR IN ANY PARTICULAR YEAR.

14 Q AND IF ALL OF THE STORMS WERE DISTRIBUTED  
15 STATISTICALLY, THEN YOU WOULD EXPECT ONE EVENT AT ROBERS  
16 PLAYA IN EVERY 100 YEARS TO HAVE A 24-HOUR PRECIPITATION  
17 OF ABOUT 3 1/2 INCHES. WOULD THAT BE AN ACCURATE  
18 STATEMENT FROM A STATISTICAL STANDPOINT?

19 A IN THE LONG-TERM AVERAGE, YOU WOULD EXPECT  
20 ONE STORM WITHIN -- TO OCCUR IN INTERVALS OF 100 YEARS.

21 BUT THERE IS A -- THE PROBABILITY THAT  
22 MULTIPLE STORMS CAN OCCUR IN THE SAME 100 YEARS IS -- IT  
23 DOESN'T MEAN THAT 200 YEARS CAN'T OCCUR, YOU KNOW, IN A  
24 10-YEAR PERIOD OR SOMETHING LIKE THAT.

25 Q RIGHT.

26 A BUT WHEN YOU LOOK AT THE LONG-TERM AVERAGE  
27 AND THE SPACING BETWEEN THOSE STORMS, ON THE AVERAGE,  
28 THEY'RE 100 YEARS APART.

1 Q OKAY. NOW, IF YOU LOOK AT PAGE 154, CAN YOU  
2 TELL US THE DEPTH OF INUNDATION ON THE ROGERS PLAYA  
3 ATTRIBUTABLE TO A STORM WHICH HAS A RECURRENCE INTERVAL  
4 OF EVERY 100 YEARS?

5 A IT WOULD TAKE SOME STUDYING ON MY PART OF  
6 THIS TABLE TO UNDERSTAND WHERE THAT MIGHT BE. IT IS NOT  
7 OBVIOUS TO ME WHERE THAT INFORMATION IS ON HERE.

8 Q WELL, TAKE A LOOK DOWN IN -- YOU SEE THE  
9 RIGHT-HAND COLUMN TOWARDS THE BOTTOM, THE HEADING  
10 "HYDROPHOBIC SOIL CONDITIONS"? TOWARDS THE BOTTOM OF  
11 THE RIGHT-HAND COLUMN, PARAGRAPH 9.

12 A SO THAT THE FAR -- SO WE ARE ON PAGE 154?

13 Q YES.

14 A AND IT IS THE FAR -- THE RIGHT-HAND COLUMN?

15 Q TOWARDS THE BOTTOM OF THE PAGE. DO YOU SEE  
16 A HEADING, PARAGRAPH 9, ENTITLED "HYDROPHOBIC SOIL  
17 CONDITIONS"?

18 A COULD YOU -- WOULD YOU MIND POINTING IT OUT  
19 TO ME. I'M NOT SEEING WHERE YOU ARE ASKING.

20 Q PARAGRAPH -- 154. YOU'RE ON THE WRONG PAGE.

21 A WRONG PAGE. THAT'S WHY. OKAY.

22 Q RIGHT DOWN HERE, THIS HEADING.

23 DO YOU SEE RIGHT ABOVE THAT, WHERE FRENCH  
24 AND OTHERS CONCLUDED -- IT SAYS -- AND I'M READING THE  
25 FIRST FULL SENTENCE ABOVE THAT HEADING. IT SAYS:

26 "THEREFORE, THE 100-YEAR ESTIMATED  
27 DEPTH OF WATER IN ROGERS LAKE IS 0.65  
28 METERS."

1 DO YOU SEE THAT?

2 A I DO.

3 Q AND SO FROM THIS REPORT, THEY HAVE CONCLUDED  
4 THAT ROGERS LAKE, IN A 100-YEAR STORM, WOULD BE  
5 INUNDATED TO THE DEPTH OF 0.65 METERS; CORRECT?

6 A THAT'S WHAT THEY'RE SAYING, YES.

7 Q THAT WOULD BE EQUIVALENT TO ABOUT 2.13 FEET?

8 THE COURT: WAS THAT 0.65 OR --

9 MR. WILLIAM KUHS: 0.65 METERS; 0.65 OR .65. I  
10 HAVE THE HABIT OF PUTTING ZERO IN FRONT OF THE POINT.

11 THE COURT: AS LONG AS YOU GIVE ME THE "POINT."  
12 BY MR. WILLIAM KUHS:

13 Q THAT IS EQUIVALENT TO ABOUT 2.13 FEET,  
14 MR. DURBIN?

15 A AGAIN, I CAN'T DO THE CALCULATION IN MY  
16 HEAD, BUT IT'S ROUGHLY 2 FEET, YES.

17 Q SO IF YOU TOOK THE AREA -- WELL, LET'S GO TO  
18 THE AREA.

19 NOW, IF YOU LOOK IN THE AT PAGE 147, FRENCH  
20 AND OTHERS GIVE YOU THE AREA OF THE ROGERS LAKE PLAYA.  
21 IF YOU LOOK IN THE RIGHT-HAND COLUMN ON PAGE 147, DOWN  
22 TOWARDS THE BOTTOM, THERE'S A PARAGRAPH 2. DO YOU SEE  
23 THAT -- ENTITLED "OVERVIEW OF APPROACH"?

24 A I SEE "OVERVIEW OF APPROACH."

25 Q AND RIGHT ABOVE THAT, THE PARAGRAPH ABOVE  
26 THAT, IT SAYS, IN PART:

27 "ROGERS LAKE HAS A SURFACE AREA  
28 OF 114 KILOMETERS SQUARE."

1 AND THEN BELOW THAT IT SAYS:

2 "RICH LAKE HAS A SURFACE AREA  
3 OF 7.8 KILOMETERS SQUARE."

4 DO YOU SEE THAT?

5 A I DO.

6 Q IF YOU ADDED THOSE TWO NUMBERS TOGETHER,  
7 WHICH WOULD BE 121.8 KILOMETERS SQUARE, THAT WOULD GIVE  
8 YOU THE SURFACE AREA OF THE ROGERS LAKE PLAYA INCLUDING  
9 RICH; CORRECT?

10 A ACCORDING TO THESE, AUTHORS, YES.

11 Q OKAY. SO KNOWING THE SURFACE AREA AND  
12 KNOWING -- DO YOU HAVE A -- SO IF WE TOOK -- WELL, LET'S  
13 GO BACK.

14 BY USING THE CONVERSION TABLE, WE CAN  
15 CALCULATE THE AREA IN ACRES BASED UPON THE AREA IN  
16 KILOMETERS SQUARE; CORRECT? YOU CAN GO FROM KILOMETERS  
17 SQUARE TO SQUARE MILES, AND THEN YOU CAN MULTIPLY A  
18 SQUARE MILE BY 640 ACRES TO GET ACRES?

19 A THAT IS CORRECT, YES.

20 Q DOING THAT MATH -- AND WE DON'T NEED TO DO  
21 IT HERE -- I'LL REPRESENT TO YOU THAT IT IS  
22 30,112 ACRES. SO KNOWING THE ACRES, SURFACE AREA ACRES,  
23 AND KNOWING THE DEPTH OF A -- ON THAT AREA, FROM A  
24 100-YEAR EVENT, WE CAN CALCULATE THE VOLUME OF WATER ON  
25 ROGERS PLAYA; CORRECT?

26 A YES. THERE IS ONE CAVEAT IN WHETHER OR NOT  
27 THE 2 FEET OF -- WHAT WAS MEANT BY THE 2 FEET OF  
28 FLOODING. BUT PRESUMING IT MEANT AN AVERAGE OVER THE



1 ENTIRE PLAYA, IF YOU ASSUME THAT'S WHAT THE AUTHORS  
2 MEANT, YOUR CALCULATION SEEMS CORRECT. THE NUMERICAL  
3 VALUE SEEMS ROUGHLY RIGHT.

4 Q WELL, DIDN'T THE AUTHORS, TOWARDS THE END OF  
5 THIS REPORT, INDICATE THAT THOSE MEASUREMENTS WERE  
6 CONSERVATIVE IN THE SENSE THAT THEY ASSUMED ROGERS LAKE  
7 PLAYA WAS LEVEL, AND THEY DIDN'T TAKE INTO ACCOUNT ANY  
8 UNDULATIONS AND THE LIKE SO THAT THEIR CALCULATIONS OF  
9 TOTAL DEPTH WERE CONSERVATIVE IN THE SENSE OF THAT WOULD  
10 BE THE MAXIMUM HEIGHT OF WATER CONTEMPLATED BY A  
11 100-YEAR STORM THAT CAUSED INUNDATION OF ROGERS PLAYA?  
12 DO YOU RECALL THAT?

13 A I DON'T RECALL THAT.

14 Q OKAY. WASN'T THE PURPOSE OF THIS  
15 INVESTIGATION TO COMPLY WITH THE CLEAN WATER ACT AND THE  
16 REQUIREMENT THAT THE AIR FORCE LOCATE ITS FACILITY  
17 OUTSIDE OF THE 100-YEAR FLOOD PLAIN?

18 A I DON'T RECALL WHY THE REPORT WAS DONE.

19 Q OKAY. NOW, IF WE DID THE MATH, IF WE  
20 MULTIPLIED THE 2.1 FEET BY THE SURFACE AREA OF  
21 30,112 ACRES, WE WOULD GET A TOTAL INUNDATION OF  
22 64,139 ACRE-FEET. AND I'LL REPRESENT TO YOU THAT IT  
23 IS -- JUST DO THE MATH.

24 A YEAH, IT SEEMS ROUGHLY RIGHT.

25 Q NOW, DID YOU -- DID YOU LIKEWISE REVIEW OR  
26 CONSIDER -- LET ME STRIKE THAT.

27 ARE YOU AWARE THAT ROGERS, MILLERS, AND  
28 OTHERS DID A SIMILAR INVESTIGATION FOR ROSAMOND PLAYA?

1 A WHAT ARE THE NAMES, AGAIN?

2 Q THE SAME AUTHORS.

3 A YES. I -- I THINK THAT IS ONE OF THE  
4 REPORTS THAT I HAVE IN MY COLLECTION, YES. YOU WOULD  
5 HAVE TO SHOW IT TO ME TO MAKE SURE IT'S ONE THAT I HAVE  
6 SEEN.

7 MR. WILLIAM KUHS: I WOULD LIKE TO MARK NEXT IN  
8 ORDER, YOUR HONOR, EXHIBIT 42.

9 THE COURT: ALL RIGHT.

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11 (TEJON EXHIBIT D42 MARKED  
12 FOR IDENTIFICATION.)

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14 THE COURT: DOES MR. DURBIN NEED THIS COPY?

15 MR. WILLIAM KUHS: FOR THE RECORD, I HAVE PROVIDED  
16 COUNSEL WITH A COPY. BECAUSE IT'S RATHER VOLUMINOUS, I  
17 ONLY MADE ONE FOR THE COURT AND ONE FOR COUNSEL.

18 THE COURT: OKAY. MR. DURBIN.

19 BY MR. WILLIAM KUHS:

20 Q MY QUESTION, MR. DURBIN: HAVE YOU SEEN OR  
21 REVIEWED WHAT HAS BEEN MARKED AS DEFENDANT'S -- OR  
22 EXCUSE ME, TEJON'S D42?

23 THE COURT: MR. KUHS, MAY I SUGGEST THAT PERHAPS  
24 YOU COULD ACCOMPLISH YOUR SAME GOAL BY LEADING QUESTIONS  
25 OF THIS WITNESS.

26 MR. WILLIAM KUHS: LEADING QUESTIONS?

27 THE COURT: LEADING QUESTIONS.

28 MR. WILLIAM KUHS: LEADING, L-E-A-D-I-N-G?

1 THE COURT: YES.

2 MR. WILLIAM KUHS: I'M TRYING TO AVOID  
3 CONCLUSIONARY QUESTIONS. AND I APPRECIATE THE TIME IT  
4 TAKES TO GET THROUGH IT.

5 THE COURT: WELL, I THINK, WITH AN EXPERT, ALL  
6 PARTIES CAN LEAD THE WITNESS AND FOCUS YOUR CONCLUSIONS.  
7 WE'LL CERTAINLY GET THROUGH THIS A LOT FASTER.

8 MR. WILLIAM KUHS: MY QUESTION THAT IS PENDING IS,  
9 HAS THE WITNESS SEEN THIS REPORT.

10 THE WITNESS: IT LOOKS FAMILIAR. JUST FROM  
11 GENERALLY PERUSING THE CONTENTS, IT LOOKS LIKE THEY USED  
12 BASICALLY THE SAME METHODOLOGY IN THIS THAT THEY USED IN  
13 THE ROGERS PLAYA REPORT.

14 MR. WILLIAM KUHS: WE CAN FLY THROUGH THIS ONE A  
15 LITTLE FASTER, YOUR HONOR, BECAUSE THIS IS IN ENGLISH  
16 AND IT'S NOT --

17 Q THE AUTHORS -- FOR THE 100-YEAR EVENT, THESE  
18 AUTHORS ARE USING THE SAME PRECIPITATION EVENT, THAT IS,  
19 APPROXIMATELY 3 1/2 INCHES IN 24 HOURS; CORRECT?

20 A AGAIN, WITHOUT GOING THROUGH THE REPORT, I  
21 WOULD -- IF THAT IS WHAT YOU SAY THEY DID, THAT IS -- IT  
22 WOULD SEEM REASONABLE.

23 Q WELL, WHAT I'M GOING TO DO IN THE INTERESTS  
24 OF TIME, I'M GOING TO PUT SOME NUMBERS IN, AND YOU WILL  
25 HAVE TIME TO REVIEW THE DOCUMENT LATER. THEN I'LL ASK  
26 YOU SOME CONCLUSIONARY QUESTIONS AND SEE IF YOU DISAGREE  
27 WITH WHAT I'M ASKING YOU TO ASSUME AT THIS POINT. I  
28 THINK THAT MAY EXPEDITE THAT.

1 I WOULD ASK YOU TO REVIEW, AT YOUR LEISURE,  
2 D42 AND TELL ME WHETHER YOU AGREE OR DISAGREE WITH THESE  
3 FOLLOWING DATA:

4 THAT THE DEPTH OF FLOW, DEPTH OF INUNDATION  
5 OF ROSAMOND PLAYA, THE 100-YEAR EVENT, IS 4.4 FEET;

6 THAT THE SURFACE AREA OF ROSAMOND PLAYA IS  
7 12,928 ACRES.

8 THE COURT: 12,900 --

9 MR. WILLIAM KUHS: 12,928.

10 Q -- WHICH IS VERY CLOSE TO WHAT YOU TESTIFIED  
11 TO EARLIER OF 13,000 ACRES.

12 THEREFORE, THE INUNDATION VOLUME ON ROSAMOND  
13 PLAYA, WITH A DEPTH OF WATER OF 4.4 FEET AND A SURFACE  
14 AREA OF ABOUT 30,000 -- EXCUSE ME, 13,000 ACRES, THE  
15 INUNDATION VOLUME IS 56,883 ACRE-FEET;

16 AND THEN THAT THE TOTAL -- IF YOU ADD THE  
17 ROSAMOND PLAYA AND ROGERS PLAYA TOGETHER, THE TOTAL  
18 INUNDATION VOLUME IS ABOUT 121,000 ACRE-FEET. OKAY.

19 NOW WE'VE PUT UP -- LET'S MARK AS NEXT IN  
20 ORDER WHAT'S ON THE SCREEN.

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22 (DISCUSSION HELD OFF THE RECORD.)

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24 THE COURT: MR. DURBIN, MAKE SURE I GET THOSE  
25 FRENCH REPORTS BACK BEFORE YOU LEAVE.

26 MR. WILLIAM KUHS: THERE'S ONE FOR YOUR HONOR AND  
27 ONE FOR THE WITNESS.

28 THE COURT: ALL RIGHT. THIS IS 43.

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FOR IDENTIFICATION.)

BY MR. WILLIAM KUHS:

Q NOW, IF WE GO BACK TO -- IF WE GO BACK TO  
THE FRENCH REPORT, THE FIRST FRENCH REPORT, WHICH IS  
EXHIBIT D41 -- DO YOU HAVE THAT HANDY?

A YES.

Q NOW, IF YOU TURN TO THE PAGE 156 OF THAT  
REPORT, OVER ON THE RIGHT-HAND COLUMN --

TELL ME WHEN YOU ARE ON PAGE 156.

THE RIGHT-HAND COLUMN TOWARDS THE BOTTOM,  
PARAGRAPH 10. DO YOU SEE THAT, ENTITLED "WATER SOURCE"?

A YES, I DO.

Q AND THEN, IF YOU GO TO THE NEXT PAGE,  
PAGE 157, IS IT TRUE THAT THESE AUTHORS THEN DETERMINED  
WHAT -- WHERE THE SOURCES OF WATER CAME FROM THAT CAUSED  
THE INUNDATION OF ROGERS PLAYA?

YOU SEE TABLE 6 AT THE BOTTOM OF THE PAGE?

A I DO.

Q NOW, IN THE FIRST COLUMN OF TABLE 6, THEY  
HAVE AN ELEVATION INTERVAL, AND THEY GO FROM THE LAKE  
BED, AT THE LOWEST ELEVATION, UP TO THE HIGH OF AN  
ELEVATION OF 2560 METERS; CORRECT?

A I CAN SEE THAT RANGE OF ELEVATIONS.

Q AND IF YOU LOOK AT THE NEXT-TO-THE-LOWEST  
ELEVATION, WHICH IS THE RANGE FROM 610 METERS TO

1 914 METERS, 914 METERS IS APPROXIMATELY 3,000 FEET;  
2 CORRECT?

3 A ROUGHLY, YES.

4 Q OKAY. AND I'LL REPRESENT TO YOU THAT IT IS  
5 EXACTLY 3,000 FEET.

6 A OKAY. THANK YOU.

7 Q SO THESE AUTHORS IN THE RIGHT-HAND COLUMN,  
8 THEY INDICATE THE PERCENTAGE OF THE TOTAL 100-YEAR  
9 ROGERS LAKE VOLUME IN TERMS OF A PERCENTAGE ATTRIBUTABLE  
10 TO VARIOUS ELEVATION RANGES WITHIN THE WATERSHED; DO YOU  
11 SEE THAT?

12 A I DO.

13 Q AND THEY CONCLUDE THAT THE VOLUME OF WATER  
14 FROM THE 100-YEAR STORM ON ROGERS LAKE ATTRIBUTABLE TO  
15 RUNOFF FROM ELEVATIONS ABOVE 3,000 FEET IS ONLY  
16 15.5 PERCENT OF THE TOTAL VOLUME OF FLOODING ON THE  
17 PLAYA. DO YOU SEE THAT?

18 A I DON'T. WE ARE LOOKING AT TABLE 6?

19 Q IF YOU LOOK AT TABLE 6 AND GO TO THE  
20 RIGHT-HAND COLUMN, AGGREGATE THE PERCENTAGES ABOVE THE  
21 914-METER INTERVAL, AND THEY WILL TOTAL 15 1/2 PERCENT.

22 A SO WE'RE LOOKING AT THE THIRD COLUMN --

23 Q NO, YOU'RE LOOKING AT THE LAST COLUMN.

24 A THE LAST COLUMN. AND IT'S THE SUM OF THE --

25 Q THE FIRST FOUR --

26 A -- EVERYTHING UP ABOVE THE 16, 19, 14 LINE.

27 Q CORRECT.

28 A YES.

1 Q 15 1/2 PERCENT?

2 A LOOKS ROUGHLY LIKE IT COULD BE THAT.

3 Q SO THESE AUTHORS CONCLUDE THAT ONLY 15 1/2  
4 PERCENT OF THE WATER THAT INUNDATES THE ROGERS PLAYA  
5 COMES FROM THE WATERSHED ABOVE 3,000 FEET?

6 A IF THAT'S WHAT THEY CONCLUDED, YES.

7 Q NOW, 3,000 FEET IS ABOUT THE INTERFACE OF  
8 THE MOUNTAIN BLOCK AND THE VALLEY FLOOR AREA; CORRECT?

9 A ROUGHLY. IT VARIES FROM LOCATION TO  
10 LOCATION AROUND THE VALLEY.

11 Q YEAH. BUT BASED ON EARLIER TESTIMONY IN  
12 HERE, WE HAVE TALKED ABOUT THE LOW SPOT IN THE BASIN IS  
13 2200 FEET AT THE PLAYAS, WE ARE TALKING ABOUT, AND THE  
14 HIGH SPOT MAYBE 9,000; BUT THE VALLEY FLOOR AREA  
15 ELEVATIONS ARE IN THE 2500-TO-3500-FOOT RANGE; CORRECT?

16 A WELL, I CERTAINLY KNOW THE 2200. WHAT YOU  
17 SAID ABOUT THE FRINGES OF THE VALLEY ARE ROUGHLY  
18 CORRECT. I WOULD HAVE TO EXAMINE A TOPOGRAPHIC MAP TO  
19 BE --

20 Q THEN, IN THE INTEREST OF TIME, I WOULD ASK  
21 YOU TO LOOK AT EXHIBIT D42, NOT ON THE WITNESS STAND,  
22 BUT LIKEWISE DOING THE SAME -- FOLLOWING THE SAME  
23 METHODOLOGY WHICH THIS AUTHOR GIVES IN D42, BUT THEY  
24 CONCLUDED THAT 24.7 PERCENT OF THE VOLUME OF WATER THAT  
25 INUNDATES THE ROSAMOND PLAYA COMES FROM THE WATERSHED  
26 FROM ABOVE 3,000 FEET. OKAY?

27 A YES.

28 Q IF YOU ASSUME FOR THE PURPOSES OF THE NEXT

1 SERIES OF QUESTIONS THAT THE WATER ATTRIBUTABLE -- THE  
2 WATER THAT FLOODS THE PLAYAS THAT IT IS ATTRIBUTABLE TO  
3 THE WATERSHED ABOVE 3,000 FEET ON A 100-YEAR EVENT IS  
4 APPROXIMATELY 24,000 SQUARE FEET -- NO, IT'S  
5 24,000 ACRE-FEET. EXCUSE ME.

6 NOW, LET'S GO BACK TO YOUR TABLE C28.

7 THE COURT: ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT EXHIBIT D39?

8 MR. WILLIAM KUHS: YES, YOUR HONOR -- AS SOON AS I  
9 CAN LOCATE IT.

10 MR. JOYCE: HERE YOU GO.

11 BY MR. WILLIAM KUHS:

12 Q NOW, IF WE LOOK AT EXHIBIT D39 AND LOOK AT  
13 THE NEXT-TO-THE-LAST COLUMN ON THE RIGHT, WHICH WOULD BE  
14 THE SIXTH COLUMN --

15 ARE YOU THERE, MR. DURBIN?

16 A I AM.

17 Q IN HOW MANY YEARS DO YOU ESTIMATE PLAYA  
18 FLOODING IN AMOUNTS THAT EXCEED 24,000 ACRE-FEET PER  
19 YEAR?

20 A FIVE YEARS.

21 Q IF YOU GO TO PAGE 2, IS THAT NUMBER --

22 A OH, EXCUSE ME. I JUST COUNTED SOME -- SIX.

23 Q SO IN 6 OF THE YEARS OF THE 57 YEARS THAT  
24 YOU REPORTED, IS IT TRUE THAT YOU ATTRIBUTED MORE THAN  
25 24,000 ACRE-FEET OF RUNOFF TO PLAYA FLOODING?

26 A YES.

27 Q NOW, IF THE PLAYA FLOODING WAS LESS THAN THE  
28 PLAYA FLOODING THAT YOU ARE REPORTING IN EXHIBIT D39,



1 THEN THAT WOULD DIRECTLY INCREASE THE GROUNDWATER  
2 RECHARGE THAT YOU TABULATE IN THE LAST COLUMN ON D39;  
3 CORRECT?

4 A YES, IF YOU -- NOW, D39 IS THIS --

5 Q NO, TABLE 28 IS D39.

6 A THE QUESTION, AGAIN? I'M SORRY.

7 Q IF YOU OVERESTIMATED PLAYA FLOODING, AS  
8 REPORTED IN THE NEXT-TO-THE-LAST COLUMN ON D39, THEN YOU  
9 UNDERESTIMATED GROUNDWATER RECHARGE, WHICH IS THE LAST  
10 COLUMN ON D39; CORRECT?

11 A THAT IS JUST A MATHEMATICAL CALCULATION.  
12 AND IT IS CORRECT, IF YOU WERE -- IF I WERE TO HAVE  
13 OVERESTIMATED THE FLOODING, YES.

14 Q YEAH. NOW, HOW MANY EVENTS DURING THE 57  
15 YEARS THAT YOU INVESTIGATED DO YOU KNOW WHERE THE  
16 24-HOUR PRECIPITATION EXCEEDED THE 100-YEAR RECURRENCE  
17 INTERVAL?

18 A I HAVE NO IDEA.

19 Q YOU NEVER DID THAT ANALYSIS; CORRECT?

20 A NO. FROM THE WORK -- THE WAY I APPROACHED  
21 THIS, THAT WASN'T A CONSIDERATION.

22 MR. WILLIAM KUHS: OKAY. NOW, A COUPLE OF LAST  
23 QUESTIONS ON STREAM GAUGES.

24 I WOULD LIKE TO MARK AS TEJON'S NEXT IN  
25 ORDER, YOUR HONOR -- THIS IS FIGURE C13 FROM APPENDIX C  
26 OF THE SUMMARY EXPERT REPORT, ENTITLED "LOCATION OF  
27 STREAM GAUGING STATIONS."

28 THE COURT: OKAY. THAT IS NEXT IN ORDER, D44.

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(TEJON EXHIBIT D44 MARKED  
FOR IDENTIFICATION.)

MR. WILLIAM KUHS: I WOULD LIKE TO MARK NEXT IN  
ORDER, YOUR HONOR, AS D45 A COPY OF TABLE C7 FROM  
APPENDIX C.

THE COURT: VERY WELL.

(TEJON EXHIBIT D45 MARKED  
FOR IDENTIFICATION.)

MR. WILLIAM KUHS: I'LL HAND ONE COPY TO THE  
WITNESS.

THE COURT: THAT IS ACTUALLY 46 -- NO, 45.  
BY MR. WILLIAM KUHS:

Q MR. DURBIN, WHAT HAS BEEN MARKED AS EXHIBITS  
D44 AND D45 IS, GRAPHICALLY, THE LOCATION OF STREAM  
GAUGING STATIONS AND THEN, A TABULAR FORM, THE STATION  
IDENTIFICATION AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OF THE  
STREAMFLOW GAUGING STATIONS WITHIN ANTELOPE VALLEY;  
CORRECT?

A YES.

Q NOW, I JUST WANT TO ASK YOU IF YOU COULD  
PULL UP THE SUMMARY EXPERT REPORT -- OR APPENDIX C, AND  
I WANT TO HAVE YOU TAKE A LOOK AT TABLE 8 SMALL "I."

MR. DUNN: THAT'S TABLE 8-C SMALL "I"?

MR. WILLIAM KUHS: YEAH, THAT'S NOT A CORRECT

1 REFERENCE.

2 Q IT IS 8L. THAT'S THE MONTHLY STREAMFLOW FOR  
3 SPENCER CANYON CREEK.

4 A I HAVE THAT.

5 Q WILL YOU TAKE A LOOK -- THIS PARTICULAR  
6 TABLE HAS STREAMFLOWS FOR THE YEARS 1965 THROUGH 1973;  
7 CORRECT?

8 A YES.

9 Q AND 1969 WAS A BIG YEAR, WET YEAR?

10 A IT WAS.

11 Q AND WHAT WAS THE RECORDED TOTAL FLOW FOR THE  
12 WHOLE YEAR AT THIS GAUGE IN 1969?

13 A ACCORDING TO THIS TABLE, IT IS ZERO.

14 Q DOES THAT SUGGEST TO YOU THAT THAT  
15 STREAMFLOW RECORD IS INACCURATE?

16 A NOT NECESSARILY THE RECORD, BUT THE TABLE  
17 MAY BE INACCURATE.

18 Q OKAY. YOU WOULD EXPECT -- IN A WET YEAR  
19 LIKE 1969, YOU WOULD EXPECT FLOWS AT ALL STREAM GAUGING  
20 STATIONS, WOULDN'T YOU?

21 A I WOULD, YES.

22 MR. WILLIAM KUHS: OKAY. NO FURTHER QUESTIONS,  
23 YOUR HONOR.

24 THE COURT: ALL RIGHT. ANYBODY ELSE GOING TO  
25 CROSS-EXAMINE?

26 I UNDERSTAND, MR. JOYCE, YOU ARE GOING TO --

27 MR. JOYCE: YES, YOUR HONOR. IF THE COURT WILL  
28 BEAR WITH ME FOR ONE MOMENT.

1 THE COURT: OKAY. WHAT WE WILL DO IS TAKE A TEN-  
2 MINUTE RECESS WHILE YOU'RE SETTING UP.

3 MR. JOYCE: THANK YOU, YOUR HONOR.

4  
5 (A RECESS WAS TAKEN.)

6  
7 THE COURT: ALL RIGHT. LET'S GO.

8 MR. JOYCE: THANK YOU, YOUR HONOR.

9  
10 CROSS-EXAMINATION

11 BY MR. JOYCE:

12 Q GOOD MORNING, MR. DURBIN.

13 A GOOD MORNING.

14 Q MY NAME IS BOB JOYCE, AND I REPRESENT  
15 DIAMOND FARMING COMPANY, ET AL.

16 FIRST OF ALL, YOU HAVE WHAT WAS MARKED FOR  
17 IDENTIFICATION AS 101 IN MR. SCALMANINI'S TESTIMONY  
18 SITTING BEFORE YOU. IF YOU COULD JUST TURN TO THE COVER  
19 PAGE AND THE INDEX FOR A QUICK MOMENT IN THE VERY FIRST  
20 PORTION.

21 ACTUALLY, THE COVER PAGE WOULD BE -- I  
22 BELIEVE THAT WOULD BE CORRECT. IS THAT THE ONE THAT  
23 LISTS THE AUTHORS?

24 A YES, IT DOES.

25 Q ALL RIGHT. AND THIS PORTION IS A SUMMARY OF  
26 ESSENTIALLY WHAT IS INVESTIGATED IN MORE DETAIL IN THE  
27 VARIOUS APPENDICES THAT ARE ATTACHED; IS THAT FAIR?

28 A YES.

1 Q YOU ARE LISTED AS ONE OF THE AUTHORS OF THIS  
2 SUMMARY, OF THE ENTIRE REPORT?

3 A I AM.

4 Q AND ALONG WITH MR. BEEBE?

5 A YES.

6 Q MR. LEEVER?

7 A YES.

8 Q AND MR. LEFFLER?

9 A YES.

10 Q AND MR. SCALMANINI AND MR. WILDERMUTH;  
11 CORRECT?

12 A YES.

13 Q ALL RIGHT. AND DO YOU KNOW WHICH PORTION OR  
14 WHAT PORTIONS OF THE INVESTIGATION WERE UNDERTAKEN BY  
15 MR. LEEVER?

16 A WELL, MR. LEEVER WAS AN ASSISTANT TO  
17 MR. WILDERMUTH IN HIS WORK. AT LEAST, THAT IS MY  
18 UNDERSTANDING.

19 Q AND HOW ABOUT MR. LEFFLER?

20 A HE PROVIDED -- OR DID PART OF THE WORK THAT  
21 WAS UTILIZED BY MR. SCALMANINI. AGAIN, THAT IS MY  
22 UNDERSTANDING.

23 Q WOULD THAT BE THE RECYCLED WATER?

24 A I -- YES, I BELIEVE SO. AT LEAST, THAT IS  
25 MY UNDERSTANDING.

26 Q THEN IF YOU WOULD ALSO GO TO THE INDEX  
27 ITSELF.

28 A ARE YOU REFERRING TO THE TABLE OF CONTENTS?

1 Q YES, EXACTLY. AND SPECIFICALLY, PAGE LOWER  
2 CASE ROMAN NUMERAL III.

3 ARE YOU AT PAGE ROMAN NUMERAL III?

4 AND YOU WILL NOTE THERE'S A SECTION LABELED  
5 "4.8, PRECISION AND SENSITIVITY." DO YOU SEE THAT?

6 A YES.

7 Q AND THEN IT SAYS "4.8.1, DATA AVAILABILITY  
8 AND CONSTRAINTS." DO YOU SEE THAT?

9 A I DO.

10 Q AND THEN THE NEXT ONE IS "4.8.2," LABELED  
11 "SENSITIVITY," WITH A SUBSECTION "4.8.2.1, AGRICULTURAL,  
12 IRRIGATION, AND PUMPING"; "4.8.2.2, AGRICULTURAL RETURN  
13 FLOWS"; "4.8.2.3, SEWER AND NONSEWER MUNICIPAL WATER  
14 USE."

15 DO YOU SEE THOSE?

16 A I DO.

17 Q IS THE CONCEPT OF A SENSITIVITY ANALYSIS THE  
18 SAME AS ATTEMPTING TO ASCERTAIN THE EXISTENCE OR  
19 NONEXISTENCE OF A MARGIN OF ERROR OR THE STANDARD  
20 DEVIATION, AS YOU HAVE USED THE TERMS?

21 MR. DUNN: OBJECTION; MISCHARACTERIZES THE  
22 TESTIMONY, OUTSIDE THE SCOPE OF DIRECT EXAMINATION.

23 THE COURT: IT SEEMS TO ME IT IS BEYOND THE SCOPE  
24 OF THIS WITNESS'S TESTIMONY.

25 BY MR. JOYCE:

26 Q YOU TESTIFIED ON DIRECT THAT AS TO YOUR  
27 AREAS OF INQUIRY, THAT AS TO EACH OF THE METHODOLOGIES  
28 THAT YOU EMPLOYED, THAT YOU UNDERTOOK TO CALCULATE THE

1 MARGIN OF ERROR OR THE STANDARD DEVIATION; CORRECT?

2 MR. DUNN: OBJECTION; MISCHARACTERIZES TESTIMONY.

3 "MARGIN OF ERROR" IS NOT "STANDARD DEVIATION."

4 THE COURT: SUSTAINED.

5 BY MR. JOYCE:

6 Q WELL, THEN LET ME ASK THE QUESTION: FROM A  
7 LAYMAN'S STANDPOINT, USING THE TERM "MARGIN OF ERROR,"  
8 DOES THAT MEAN THE SAME THING AS THE "STANDARD  
9 DEVIATION" IN THE SCIENTIFIC SENSE?

10 MR. DUNN: OBJECTION. THAT'S BEYOND THE SCOPE OF  
11 THE EXPERT WITNESS TESTIMONY. IT'S IRRELEVANT.

12 THE COURT: SUSTAINED, WHAT LAY PEOPLE MIGHT  
13 THINK.

14 BY MR. JOYCE:

15 Q IN ANY EVENT, IS A SENSITIVITY ANALYSIS THE  
16 SAME THING AS A CALCULATION FOR STANDARD OF ERROR?

17 A IT IS NOT.

18 Q THANK YOU. HAVE YOU EVER SEEN A STANDARD  
19 DEVIATION CALCULATED FOR ANY WORK DONE BY MR. SCALMANINI  
20 OR ANY WORK DONE BY MR. WILDERMUTH?

21 MR. DUNN: OBJECTION; BEYOND THE SCOPE OF DIRECT  
22 EXAMINATION.

23 THE COURT: SUSTAINED.

24 BY MR. JOYCE:

25 Q LET ME ASK YOU THIS QUESTION, MR. DURBIN:  
26 IN WORKING WITHIN THE GROUP, YOU APPARENTLY AT SOME  
27 POINT INITIATED THE EFFORT TO GENERATE COLLECTIVELY THIS  
28 REPORT; FAIR?

1 A YES.

2 Q I PRESUME THAT YOU HAD MEETINGS FROM TIME TO  
3 TIME?

4 A WELL, WE HAD THE TECHNICAL COMMITTEE  
5 MEETINGS, SO THOSE WOULD BE THE MEETINGS WHERE THIS  
6 WORK, COLLECTIVELY, WAS DONE.

7 Q OKAY. AND AT SOME POINT, VARIOUS PORTIONS  
8 OF THE WORK WERE DELEGATED OUT TO VARIOUS INDIVIDUALS,  
9 WHO ULTIMATELY BECAME CO-AUTHORS OF THE SUMMARY REPORT;  
10 CORRECT?

11 A YES.

12 Q YOU UNDERTOOK TO DO THE THREE APPROACHES TO  
13 CALCULATE THE NATURAL RECHARGE; CORRECT?

14 A CORRECT.

15 Q AND MR. SCALMANINI UNDERTOOK TO DO AN AREA  
16 OF INQUIRY TO ESTIMATE PUMPING, LAND USE ISSUES, THINGS  
17 OF THAT NATURE; RIGHT?

18 A CORRECT.

19 Q AS WELL AS THE GEOLOGY?

20 A YES.

21 Q MR. WILDERMUTH, ON THE OTHER HAND, UNDERTOOK  
22 TO DO A CHANGE OF STORAGE CALCULATION AND A WATER  
23 BUDGET; RIGHT?

24 A CORRECT.

25 Q OKAY. AND OVER TIME, I ASSUME YOU HAD PHONE  
26 CONVERSATIONS AND/OR MEETINGS WHERE YOU WOULD -- WHERE  
27 YOU DISCUSSED YOUR PROGRESS, HOW THINGS WERE GOING, HOW  
28 THE INVESTIGATION WAS COMING ALONG?



1           A           ONLY THE TECHNICAL COMMITTEE MEETINGS. I  
2 NEVER HAD A TELEPHONE CONVERSATION ABOUT THE WORK  
3 PROGRESS.

4           Q           SO THESE ARE ALWAYS IN-PERSON MEETINGS?

5           A           YES. WITH THE OVERALL TECHNICAL COMMITTEE,  
6 YES.

7           Q           OKAY. MR. WILDERMUTH NEEDED THE WORK DONE  
8 BY MR. SCALMANINI IN ORDER TO COMPLETE HIS WORK;  
9 CORRECT?

10          A           CORRECT.

11          Q           AND MR. SCALMANINI NEEDED THE OUTPUT FROM  
12 MR. WILDERMUTH'S WORK IN ORDER TO COMPLETE HIS FINAL  
13 ANALYSIS, ALONG WITH YOURS, AS WELL; CORRECT?

14          A           MR. WILDERMUTH -- MR. WILDERMUTH USED  
15 SCALMANINI'S WORK. I DON'T THINK IT WENT THE OTHER WAY.  
16 AND I DON'T THINK THAT MR. WILDERMUTH HAD ANY NEED FOR  
17 MY WORK IN THE WORK THAT HE WAS DOING.

18          Q           I UNDERSTAND THAT. BUT IS IT YOUR  
19 UNDERSTANDING THAT MR. SCALMANINI USED BOTH  
20 MR. WILDERMUTH'S ESTIMATE OF NATURAL RECHARGE AND YOUR  
21 ESTIMATE OF NATURAL RECHARGE IN ORDER TO COME TO HIS  
22 ULTIMATE OPINION?

23          A           I DON'T KNOW. I KNOW THAT IN WRITING --  
24 MR. SCALMANINI WROTE MOST OF THE SUMMARY REPORT, AND HE  
25 CERTAINLY PULLED TOGETHER ALL OF THE PIECES. WHAT HE  
26 UTILIZED TO REACH WHAT CONCLUSION, I HAVE NO IDEA.

27          Q           DO YOU HAVE ANY MEMORY, AS BETWEEN YOURSELF  
28 AND MR. WILDERMUTH, WHICH OF THE TWO OF YOU FINISHED

1 YOUR EVALUATION FIRST?

2 A I DON'T. THIS IS WAY TOO LONG AGO. THIS  
3 WAS FIVE YEARS AGO, OR SOMETHING, WHEN THE TECHNICAL  
4 COMMITTEE WAS OPERATING.

5 Q SO YOU HAVE NO PRESENT MEMORY TODAY, AS  
6 BETWEEN THE THREE OF YOU, WHO GOT DONE FIRST?

7 A I DON'T.

8 Q DO YOU HAVE ANY MEMORY OF HAVING REPORTED  
9 YOUR RESULTS TO THE OTHER PARTICIPANTS?

10 A I DON'T.

11 Q DO YOU HAVE ANY MEMORY OF WHETHER OR NOT YOU  
12 REPORTED YOUR RESULTS BEFORE MR. SCALMANINI GAVE YOU  
13 HIS?

14 A I JUST DON'T HAVE ANY MEMORY OF WHAT  
15 HAPPENED THAT LONG AGO.

16 Q OKAY. THANK YOU.

17 AND SINCE IT WAS COMPLETED THAT LONG AGO,  
18 HAVE YOU DONE ANYTHING BETWEEN THEN AND TRIAL IN ORDER  
19 TO UPDATE OR TO REEVALUATE YOUR OWN WORK?

20 A I HAVE.

21 Q OKAY. IF WE COULD TURN TO THE ISSUE  
22 CONCERNING THE 8-INCH PRECIPITATION CUTOFF POINT. IF I  
23 UNDERSTAND IT -- IF WE WERE TO GO TO EXHIBIT D39, WHICH  
24 WAS JUST MARKED A MOMENT AGO BY MR. KUHS.

25 A CAN YOU TELL ME WHAT -- OH, I SEE IT RIGHT  
26 HERE; D39. I'VE GOT IT.

27 Q AND THIS IS A TABLE THAT WAS CREATED BY YOU;  
28 CORRECT?

1 A CORRECT.

2 Q IT WAS INCLUDED IN YOUR SUMMARY EXPERT  
3 REPORT THAT WAS PROVIDED PRIOR TO DEPOSITION AND TRIAL?

4 A CORRECT.

5 Q BUT IT WAS NOT USED IN YOUR DIRECT  
6 EXAMINATION HERE?

7 A WELL, IT WAS USED INDIRECTLY IN THAT THERE  
8 IS A GRAPH THAT SHOWS ALL THE ANTELOPE VALLEY USE, BUT  
9 THIS TECH TABLE IS NOT IN MY DIRECT TESTIMONY.

10 Q OKAY. BUT THIS TABLE, THEN, IS THE SOURCE  
11 OF THE INFORMATION WHICH CREATED THE GRAPH?

12 A CORRECT.

13 Q ALL RIGHT. AND BY "GRAPH," I ASSUME WE ARE  
14 REFERRING TO WHAT WAS MARKED IN YOUR DIRECT EXAMINATION  
15 AS EXHIBIT D16; IS THAT CORRECT?

16 A (REVIEWS DOCUMENTS.)

17 NO.

18 Q OKAY. THAT IS NOT CORRECT; RIGHT?

19 A D16 IS NOT RELATED TO -- OR EXHIBIT G16 IS  
20 NOT RELATED TO EXHIBIT D39.

21 Q GOT YOU.

22 JUST SO WE ARE CLEAR, IF WE LOOK AT D39 AND  
23 IF WE LOOK AT D16 -- D16 IS A BAR GRAPH REFLECTING  
24 ANNUAL PRECIPITATION; FAIR?

25 A CORRECT.

26 Q AND IF I UNDERSTOOD YOUR TESTIMONY ON  
27 DIRECT, AS WELL AS ON CROSS, YOU HAVE ASSUMED IN YOUR  
28 ANALYSIS THAT ANY PRECIPITATION OCCURRING WITHIN THE

1 AREA OF ADJUDICATION BELOW THE 8-INCH PRECIPITATION LINE  
2 AROUND THE VALLEY RESULTED IN NO GROUNDWATER RECHARGE;  
3 FAIR?

4 A YES.

5 Q AND IF WE GO TO D39 AND WE LOOK AT THE FAR  
6 RIGHT-HAND COLUMN FOR EACH OF THE YEARS COMMENCING IN  
7 1949 AND ENDING IN 2005, WITHIN THAT QUANTIFICATION OF  
8 YOUR GROUNDWATER RECHARGE, FOR EACH AND EVERY YEAR THE  
9 ASSUMPTION IS THAT THERE IS ZERO RECHARGE FROM ANY  
10 PRECIPITATION EVENT THAT OCCURRED INSIDE THE 8-INCH  
11 PRECIPITATION CONTOUR; CORRECT?

12 A YES.

13 Q SO IF WE WERE TO ASSUME THAT NATURAL  
14 RECHARGE WAS ACTUALLY OCCURRING DURING THIS PERIOD OF  
15 TIME WITHIN THE 8-INCH PRECIPITATION CONTOUR, THAT  
16 NATURAL RECHARGE IS NOT INCLUDED IN EXHIBIT B39; IS IT?

17 A SO IF WE SIMPLY ASSUME THAT IT DID OCCUR  
18 AND --

19 Q ASSUMING THAT, IN REALITY, RAIN EVENTS  
20 OCCURRED; AND AS A RESULT OF THOSE RAIN EVENTS, THERE  
21 WAS NATURAL RECHARGE OCCURRING, THAT IS NOT INCLUDED IN  
22 YOUR CALCULATION?

23 A NO, IT IS NOT.

24 Q OKAY. AND IN DOING YOUR ANALYSIS, YOU  
25 ACCESSED THE USGS DATABASE; CORRECT -- FOR THE VARIOUS  
26 PRECIPITATION -- FOR PRECIPITATION GAUGE STATIONS THAT  
27 YOU RELIED UPON?

28 A WHEN YOU SAY MY "ANALYSIS," COULD YOU BE

1 MORE SPECIFIC ABOUT JUST WHAT PART OF IT YOU ARE --

2 Q LET ME WITHDRAW AND RESTATE.

3 IN YOUR EFFORT TO GATHER DATA IN ORDER TO  
4 INITIATE YOUR ASSESSMENT, YOU WENT TO THE USGS TO FIND  
5 OUT WHAT THEY HAD AVAILABLE THAT WOULD BE OF VALUE TO  
6 YOU IN DOING THAT; CORRECT?

7 A CORRECT.

8 Q AND YOU DOWNLOADED A LOT OF THE USGS RAIN  
9 GAUGE PRECIPITATION STATION DATA; FAIR?

10 A THE PRECIPITATION -- THERE IS A "NO" TO THAT  
11 BECAUSE THE PRECIPITATION DATA CAME FROM THE NATIONAL  
12 WEATHER SERVICE THROUGH THE WESTERN REGIONAL CLIMATIC  
13 CENTER.

14 Q DID THEY HAVE, AS PART OF THE DATA SET  
15 AVAILABLE, THE DAILY PRECIPITATION VALUES?

16 A NO, THEY DON'T HAVE THE DAILIES. THOSE WE  
17 OBTAINED FROM THE NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE.

18 Q THE NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HAD AVAILABLE  
19 WITHIN ITS DATABASE THE DAILY PRECIPITATION VALUES;  
20 CORRECT?

21 A CORRECT.

22 Q YOU DOWNLOADED THOSE; CORRECT?

23 A SOME OF THEM.

24 Q OKAY. AND ON THE HARD DRIVE THAT YOU  
25 PROVIDED AT THE TIME OF YOUR DEPOSITION, THOSE DAILY  
26 PRECIPITATION VALUES ARE INCLUDED THEREIN, ARE THEY NOT?

27 A THEY'RE NOT, BECAUSE THEY WERE DOWNLOADED AS  
28 PART OF EVENTUAL REBUTTAL AND CROSS-EXAMINATION OF OTHER

1 EXPERTS.

2 Q SO THEY WERE NOT -- THE ONES THAT YOU ARE  
3 THINKING OF ARE NOT INCLUDED ON YOUR HARD DRIVE?

4 A CORRECT.

5 Q ARE THERE DAILY PRECIPITATION VALUES  
6 INCLUDED WITHIN YOUR HARD DRIVE?

7 A THERE ARE NOT.

8 Q ALL RIGHT. AND THEY CERTAINLY WERE  
9 AVAILABLE, WERE THEY NOT?

10 A THEY WERE.

11 Q YOU DID NOT USE THEM, THOUGH, IN YOUR  
12 ANALYSIS -- AT LEAST, NOT DIRECTLY?

13 A NOT EVEN -- WELL, INDIRECTLY, IN THE SENSE  
14 THAT THE AVERAGE ANNUAL IS ULTIMATELY THE AVERAGE OF THE  
15 DAILY EVENTS.

16 Q OKAY. I UNDERSTAND THAT, INDIRECTLY, THEY  
17 WOULD HAVE BEEN INCLUDED; BUT YOU WERE LOOKING FOR THE  
18 ANNUAL AVERAGE AS OPPOSED TO ANY DAILY OR EVEN HOURLY  
19 EVENTS?

20 A CORRECT.

21 Q WHAT IS THE PURPOSE IN MEASURING OR TAKING  
22 DATA ON A DAILY OR AN HOURLY BASIS?

23 A I'M JUST A LITTLE STYMIED BY THE QUESTION.  
24 WHY DOES THE NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE DO IT OR --

25 Q LET ME WITHDRAW THE QUESTION.

26 A WHOSE PURPOSE?

27 Q YOU ARE AWARE OF THE CONCEPT WITHIN  
28 HYDROLOGY OF INTENSITY, DURATION, AND FREQUENCY, ARE YOU

1 NOT?

2 A I AM, YES.

3 Q AND INTENSITY, DURATION, AND FREQUENCY  
4 REALLY ADDRESSES THE SIGNIFICANCE OR THE MAGNITUDE OF A  
5 GIVEN STORM EVENT, DOESN'T IT?

6 A WELL, SORT OF.

7 Q FROM AN INTENSITY STANDPOINT, AREN'T WE  
8 TALKING ABOUT THE AMOUNT OF PRECIPITATION OCCURRING IN  
9 UNITS OF TIME?

10 A CORRECT.

11 Q LIKE 1 INCH IN 1 HOUR VERSUS 1 INCH OVER 36  
12 HOURS? THAT IS A CONTRAST IN INTENSITY, IS IT NOT?

13 A 1 INCH PER HOUR -- YEAH. WELL, THE 1 INCH  
14 OVER 36 HOURS WOULD BE OF LOWER INTENSITY THAN THE 1  
15 INCH PER 1 HOUR.

16 Q CORRECT.

17 DO YOU RECALL AT THE TIME OF YOUR DEPOSITION  
18 THAT YOU CONCEDED THAT IF YOU WERE TO HAVE DONE -- OR  
19 STRIKE THAT. LET ME RESTATE THE QUESTION.

20 AT THE TIME OF YOUR DEPOSITION, DID YOU NOT  
21 CONCEDE THAT THE INTENSITY OF A SINGLE STORM EVENT WOULD  
22 HAVE AN INFLUENCE ON WHETHER OR NOT IT WAS MORE LIKELY  
23 THAN NOT THAT THE STORM EVENT ITSELF WOULD RESULT IN  
24 NATURAL RECHARGE?

25 MR. DUNN: OBJECTION; ARGUMENTATIVE --

26 THE COURT: SUSTAINED.

27 MR. DUNN: -- AS TO "CONCEDE."  
28

1 BY MR. JOYCE:

2 Q LET ME, IF I COULD, GO TO YOUR DEPOSITION.

3 THE COURT: WHY DON'T YOU ASK HIM THE QUESTION  
4 WITHOUT THE "CONCESSION" PART.

5 BY MR. JOYCE:

6 Q DID YOU, AT YOUR DEPOSITION, TESTIFY THAT  
7 THE INTENSITY OF A STORM EVENT WOULD HAVE A BEARING UPON  
8 WHETHER OR NOT THE STORM EVENT WOULD RESULT IN NATURAL  
9 RECHARGE?

10 A IF I DIDN'T, IT IS PROBABLY ONE OF THE  
11 THINGS I WOULD HAVE SAID, BECAUSE IT IS CORRECT.

12 Q ALL RIGHT. THAT IS EVEN INCLUDED WITHIN THE  
13 AREA INSIDE THE 8-INCH PRECIPITATION ELEVATION CONTOURS;  
14 CORRECT?

15 A IT IS NOT.

16 Q OKAY. SO IT IS STILL YOUR TESTIMONY THAT  
17 WITHIN THE 8-INCH PARAMETER -- I.E., THE VALLEY FLOOR --  
18 NO TOMORROW EVENT OF ANY PARTICULAR MAGNITUDE RESULTS IN  
19 ANY NATURAL RECHARGE?

20 A CORRECT -- OR NO RECHARGE THAT WITH BE LARGE  
21 ENOUGH TO JUSTIFY INCLUDING ON THE TABLE IN D39. I  
22 MEAN, IT'S NOT -- IT MAY NOT BE ABSOLUTELY ZERO, BUT IT  
23 IS SO SMALL THAT IT WOULD BE NOT ON THIS TABLE.

24 Q WELL, LET ME BE SURE. FOR THE PURPOSES OF  
25 WHAT YOU ASSUMED AND IN DOING YOUR ANALYSIS, IT WAS  
26 ZERO, WAS IT NOT?

27 A IT WAS ZERO, YES.

28 Q WELL, IS THAT A REFLECTION OF REALITY?



1 A THAT IS A REFLECTION OF REALITY.

2 Q SO IT IS ALWAYS ZERO, NO MATTER WHAT?

3 A IT IS -- WELL, NOW, THE "NO MATTER WHAT,"  
4 LET'S -- IF THERE WERE 8 INCHES OF PRECIPITATION ON A  
5 SAND DUNE, I COULD IMAGINE THAT THERE MIGHT BE SOME  
6 WATER THAT WOULD GO THROUGH THE SAND DUNE. FOR THE  
7 SOILS AND VEGETATIONS WE HAVE IN ANTELOPE VALLEY, IT IS  
8 ZERO.

9 Q WHAT IF THERE WERE 6 INCHES OF PRECIPITATION  
10 IN 48 HOURS?

11 A IT WOULD BE ZERO.

12 Q IT'S STILL ZERO?

13 A YES. THERE'S NOTHING TO SUGGEST THAT FOR  
14 THESE LOWER PRECIPITATION VALUES THAT THERE IS RECHARGE.  
15 I THINK AS I SAID, THE PREPONDERANCE OF THE EVIDENCE  
16 THAT HAS BEEN COLLECTED AROUND DESERT REGIONS IS THAT  
17 8 INCHES AND BELOW GENERALLY DOES NOT -- OR ESSENTIALLY,  
18 DOES NOT PRODUCE RECHARGE.

19 Q LET'S GO, IF WE COULD, TO -- DO YOU HAVE  
20 YOUR EXHIBIT -- YOUR APPENDIX C?

21 A I DO.

22 Q CAN YOU GO TO TABLE C.2, LOWER CASE "O."

23 A SAY THAT AGAIN, PLEASE.

24 Q THAT WOULD BE YOUR TABLE C.2 LOWER CASE "O,"  
25 LABELED "ADJUSTED MONTHLY PRECIPITATION FOR PALMDALE,  
26 CALIFORNIA."

27 A I HAVE THAT TABLE.

28 Q FIRST OF ALL, WHEN YOU GENERATE EXHIBIT 16,

1 THAT IS AN ANNUAL AVERAGE, MEANING THAT THE TOTAL  
2 QUANTITY OF PRECIPITATION THAT OCCURRED WITHIN THAT 12  
3 MONTHS IS AVERAGED OUT OVER THE ENTIRE 365 DAYS;  
4 CORRECT?

5 A WELL, EXHIBIT D39 ARE MY TABLE C28, THAT  
6 IS --

7 Q NO, I'M REFERRING TO DURBIN G16, FOR THE  
8 MOMENT, WHICH IS WHAT YOU HAVE OPEN BEFORE YOU THERE.

9 A YES. G16 IS THE TOTAL PRECIPITATION FOR THE  
10 YEAR.

11 Q OKAY. AND YOU USE IT IN YOUR ASSESSMENT ON  
12 AN AVERAGE BASIS?

13 A CORRECT.

14 Q "AVERAGE," MEANING IT'S SPREAD OUT OVER THE  
15 ENTIRE YEAR OF 365 DAYS?

16 A NO, THAT'S NOT HOW I USED IT. I USED THE  
17 AVERAGE ANNUAL VALUE, WHICH WOULD BE THE AVERAGE OF ALL  
18 THE YEARS.

19 Q OKAY. DAYS OR MONTHS?

20 A WELL, I DON'T THINK IT MATTERS HOW YOU DO  
21 THE CALCULATION. THE RESULT WOULD BE THE SAME IF IT WAS  
22 DONE PROPERLY.

23 Q LET'S LOOK AT YOUR TABLE 2 AT C.2 LOWER CASE  
24 "O," "ADJUSTED MONTHLY PRECIPITATION FOR PALMDALE,  
25 CALIFORNIA." DO YOU SEE THAT?

26 A I DO.

27 Q OKAY. I PRESUME YOU CONCEDE THAT THAT  
28 PRECIPITATION STATION IS INSIDE OF THE 8-INCH

1 PRECIPITATION CONTOUR; CORRECT?

2 MR. DUNN: OBJECTION; ARGUMENTATIVE. HE USED THE  
3 TERM "CONCEDE."

4 THE COURT: SUSTAINED.

5 BY MR. JOYCE:

6 Q IS THAT RAIN GAUGE STATION LOCATED INSIDE OR  
7 OUTSIDE OF THE 8-INCH PRECIPITATION CONTOUR?

8 A JUST SLIGHTLY IN. I THINK THE AVERAGE  
9 ANNUAL PRECIP. IS A LITTLE OVER 7 INCHES.

10 Q AND IF YOU'LL ALSO LOOK AT C1, WHICH IS  
11 LABELED TABLE C.2J, WHICH IS THE ADJUSTED MONTHLY  
12 PRECIPITATION FOR LANCASTER.

13 A I SEE THAT TABLE.

14 Q OKAY. IS THAT PRECIPITATION STATION LOCATED  
15 WITHIN OR OUTSIDE OF THE 8-INCH PRECIPITATION CONTOUR?

16 A YOU KNOW, I'M NOT SURE. I WOULD TO HAVE  
17 LOOK UP ON ONE OF MY MAPS WHERE THE -- WHERE THAT  
18 STATION IS. I KNOW THEY ARE ALL VERY CLOSE THERE, AND  
19 SO IT MAY BE IN OR OUT. I'M JUST NOT SURE.

20 Q FOR PURPOSES OF MY FOLLOWING QUESTIONS, I  
21 WANT YOU TO ASSUME IT IS WITHIN THE 8-INCH PRECIPITATION  
22 CONTOUR.

23 A THAT'S FINE. SURE. OKAY.

24 Q LET'S TURN BACK TO THE ONE FOR PALMDALE,  
25 INITIALLY, IF WE COULD.

26 A PALMDALE?

27 Q PALMDALE.

28 A PALMDALE.

1 Q AND THESE ARE VALUES THAT ARE REPORTED ON A  
2 MONTHLY BASIS AS FAR AS THE BREAKDOWNS ARE CONCERNED;  
3 CORRECT?

4 A YES.

5 Q YOU'VE GOT OCTOBER, NOVEMBER, DECEMBER,  
6 JANUARY, FEBRUARY, ALL THE WAY THROUGH SEPTEMBER AGAIN;  
7 CORRECT?

8 A CORRECT.

9 Q IS THAT CONSIDERED TO BE A WATER YEAR?

10 A YES.

11 Q ALL RIGHT. AND LET'S JUST LOOK AT SOME  
12 EXAMPLES. IF WE LOOK AT THE YEAR 1952, YOU HAVE A  
13 REPORTED TOTAL PRECIPITATION FOR THAT YEAR OF  
14 18.26 INCHES; ISN'T THAT TRUE?

15 A THAT IS WHAT IS IN THE TABLE, YES.

16 Q OKAY. YOU HAD A HIGH OF 6.25 DURING THE  
17 MONTH OF JANUARY OF THAT YEAR; IS THAT ALSO TRUE?

18 A YES.

19 Q AND GIVEN THAT THIS IS BEING PRESENTED TO US  
20 IN A MONTHLY BASIS, I PRESUME THAT THAT 6.25, FOR YOUR  
21 ASSUMPTION PURPOSES, IS ASSUMED TO HAVE OCCURRED OVER  
22 THE ENTIRE MONTH?

23 A THAT IS THE TOTAL FOR THE MONTH.

24 Q OKAY. BUT YOU CANNOT, AS YOU SIT HERE  
25 TODAY, TELL US WHETHER OR NOT THAT STORM EVENT OR  
26 MULTIPLE STORM EVENTS OCCURRED IN 24 HOURS, 48 HOURS, OR  
27 ANY PARTICULAR DURATION OF STORM EVENT ITSELF, CAN YOU?

28 A I CANNOT, BECAUSE THAT IS NOT DATA THAT I

1 USE.

2 Q AND THAT IS BECAUSE FROM YOUR VANTAGE POINT,  
3 THE INTENSITY AND THE DURATION OF THE STORM ITSELF HAVE  
4 NO BEARING, IN YOUR MIND, ON WHETHER OR NOT THERE WOULD  
5 BE A LIKELIHOOD FOR NATURAL RECHARGE TO OCCUR AS A  
6 CONSEQUENCE OF THAT PARTICULAR STORM?

7 A THAT'S NOT A CORRECT STATEMENT.

8 Q WELL, DID YOU DO ANY ANALYSIS -- DID YOU GO  
9 BACK TO SEE WHETHER OR NOT THERE WERE ANY PARTICULAR  
10 UNIQUE STORM EVENTS THAT WOULD HAVE MORE LIKELY THAN NOT  
11 RESULTED IN A RECHARGE OF SOME MAGNITUDE?

12 A THE ANALYSIS THAT I DID INCORPORATES ALL OF  
13 THE VARIABILITY IN THE DATA. I DID NOT GO BACK AND LOOK  
14 AT INDIVIDUAL STORMS BECAUSE THE EFFECT OF DIFFERENT  
15 STORMS ENDS UP GETTING REPRESENTED IN THE OVERALL  
16 RELATIONSHIPS THAT I DEVELOP.

17 Q LET ME RESTATE MY QUESTION. DID YOU  
18 YOURSELF GO BACK AND LOOK AT ANY OF THE DAILY  
19 PRECIPITATION DATA TO SEE IF YOU COULD ISOLATE OR  
20 VISUALIZE A STORM THAT HAD OCCURRED WITHIN THE 8 INCH  
21 PRECIPITATION CONTOUR WHICH WOULD HAVE MORE LIKELY THAN  
22 NOT RESULTED IN CREATING NATURAL RECHARGE?

23 A I DIDN'T, BECAUSE IT WASN'T RELEVANT TO MY  
24 ANALYSIS.

25 MS. RILEY: OBJECTION, YOUR HONOR; CUMULATIVE TO  
26 THE LINE OF QUESTIONING THAT MR. KUHS ALREADY EXPLORED.

27 MR. ZIMMER: OBJECTION; NONRESPONSIVE AFTER THE  
28 WORD NO.

1 THE REPORTER: EXCUSE ME?

2 MR. ZIMMER: THE OBJECTION WAS, IT WAS  
3 NONRESPONSIVE AFTER THE WORD --

4 THE COURT: OVERRULED.

5 BY MR. JOYCE:

6 Q IF WE LOOK AT THAT SAME YEAR OF 1952, IT  
7 APPEARS THAT ROUGHLY 16 INCHES OF THE 18.26 INCHES OF  
8 PRECIPITATION IN THAT YEAR OCCURRED IN THE MONTHS OF  
9 NOVEMBER, DECEMBER, JANUARY, FEBRUARY, AND MARCH. DO  
10 YOU AGREE?

11 A I DON'T KNOW THE PERCENTAGE, BUT CERTAINLY  
12 MOST OF IT OCCURRED THERE, WHICH IS SORT OF TYPICAL THAT  
13 DURING THE WINTER SOME PRECIPITATION OCCURS.

14 Q IF WE GO DOWN AND WE LOOK AT THE YEAR 1958,  
15 YOU REPORT A TOTAL OF 14.42 INCHES; CORRECT?

16 A CORRECT.

17 Q AND AGAIN, VIRTUALLY -- OR MOST -- BETTER  
18 THAN 87 PERCENT OF THAT OCCURRED IN DECEMBER, JANUARY,  
19 FEBRUARY, MARCH, AND APRIL. AGREED?

20 A JANUARY -- YES.

21 Q OKAY. AND IF WE GO TO THE YEAR 1969, YOU  
22 HAVE 10.18 INCHES REPORTED. AND ALMOST ALL OF THAT  
23 OCCURRED IN THE MONTHS OF DECEMBER, JANUARY, FEBRUARY,  
24 MARCH, AND APRIL; CORRECT?

25 A YES.

26 Q OKAY. AND IF WE GO TO THE YEAR 1978, YOU  
27 HAVE 14.73 INCHES THAT OCCURRED AT THAT STATION. AND  
28 AGAIN, YOU HAVE VIRTUALLY -- OR IF NOT, BETTER THAN

1 90 PERCENT OF THE TOTAL OCCURRING IN DECEMBER, JANUARY,  
2 FEBRUARY, MARCH, AND APRIL?

3 A WHAT YEAR, AGAIN?

4 Q THIS WOULD BE 1978.

5 A CORRECT.

6 Q AND IN 1983 --

7 MR. DUNN: YOUR HONOR, 352. WE WILL STIPULATE  
8 THAT MOST OF THE RAIN IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY FALLS IN  
9 THE WINTER AND SPRING MONTHS.

10 THE COURT: THE TESTIMONY IS WHAT THE TESTIMONY  
11 IS. IT SEEMS TO ME IT IS GETTING NOT PRODUCTIVE.

12 BY MR. JOYCE:

13 Q WELL, LET'S JUST GO TO A COUPLE MORE YEARS,  
14 JUST BY WAY OF ILLUSTRATION. AND I'LL JUST LOOK AT THE  
15 TOTAL NUMBERS HERE FOR A MOMENT.

16 LET'S LOOK AT 1983. YOU GOT 15.25 INCHES  
17 THAT YEAR. DO YOU SEE THAT?

18 A I DO.

19 Q AND OF THAT, IN MARCH ALONE, 5.37 INCHES;  
20 CORRECT?

21 A WELL, 5.22 IS WHAT I READ.

22 Q I'M SORRY.

23 A BUT I COULD SEE THAT IT IS HARD TO READ.  
24 YES.

25 Q 5.22. AND AGAIN, THAT IS AN EXAMPLE OF A  
26 STORM EVENT THAT YOU DON'T KNOW OVER WHAT PERIOD OF TIME  
27 THAT PRECIPITATION OCCURRED?

28 A OR IT MAY HAVE BEEN MULTIPLE STORMS, BUT

1       THEY SUMMED UP TO THAT.

2           Q        OKAY.  AND IF WE LOOK AT THE YEAR 1993, YOU  
3       HAVE 17.17 INCHES REPORTED FOR THAT TOTAL YEAR.  DO YOU  
4       SEE THAT?

5           A        I DO.

6           Q        AND MORE THAN A THIRD OF THAT OCCURRED IN  
7       ONE SINGLE MONTH, THAT BEING JANUARY OF THAT YEAR; IS  
8       THAT CORRECT?

9           A        WELL, I DON'T KNOW IF IT'S A THIRD, BUT --

10          Q        WELL, DOESN'T --

11          A        -- 7.5 INCHES FELL IN JANUARY.

12          Q        7.5 INCHES OF THE TOTAL OF 17.17 OCCURRED IN  
13       ONE MONTH; CORRECT?

14          A        CORRECT.

15          Q        AND AGAIN, IT'S AN EXAMPLE OF WHERE YOU HAVE  
16       NO IDEA OF WHAT THE INTENSITY OR DURATION OF THOSE STORM  
17       EVENTS WERE?

18          A        I DON'T --

19          Q        YOU COULDN'T SAY, AS YOU ARE SITTING HERE  
20       TODAY, THAT THAT DIDN'T -- THAT THAT 7.5 INCHES DIDN'T  
21       FALL IN ONE STORM OVER A TWO-DAY PERIOD?

22               MR. DUNN:  OBJECTION; ARGUMENTATIVE.

23               THE COURT:  SUSTAINED.

24                       CAN'T WE MOVE ON, MR. JOYCE.

25       BY MR. JOYCE:

26           Q        MR. DURBIN, IF WE WERE TO LOOK BACK AT THE  
27       PRECIPITATION FOR LANCASTER, THAT STATION, AS WELL, YOU  
28       WILL SEE SIMILAR PATTERNS.  IN ONE CASE, YOU WILL SEE



1 WHERE THE ANNUAL WAS ALMOST 20 INCHES, THAT BEING THE  
2 YEAR OF 1993?

3 A LANCASTER, AGAIN, WAS J; IS THAT CORRECT?

4 Q C.2 LOWER CASE "J."

5 A I FOUND THE TABLE.

6 Q AND IF YOU LOOK AT THE YEAR 1994 -- EXCUSE  
7 ME. I TAKE IT BACK. 1993. DO YOU SEE THAT?

8 A YES, I SEE THE NUMBERS THERE. THERE'S  
9 OBVIOUSLY A TYPO THERE. NO, I'M LOOKING AT LAKE  
10 ARROWHEAD. EXCUSE ME. I SAW A REALLY HIGH  
11 PRECIPITATION.

12 WHAT TABLE, AGAIN? J; I'M SORRY. YES.

13 Q .2J, THE YEAR 1993, REPORTED TOTAL  
14 PRECIPITATION 19.49; RIGHT?

15 A CORRECT.

16 Q AND IN THE MONTH OF JANUARY, DO YOU HAVE A  
17 REFLECTED 7.46 INCHES DURING THAT MONTH ALONE; CORRECT?

18 A YES.

19 Q THERE ARE NUMEROUS OTHER EXAMPLES IN ALL  
20 THESE PRECIPITATION LEVELS WHERE YOU HAVE ANNUAL  
21 PRECIPITATION WELL OVER 13, 14 INCHES IN ANY PARTICULAR  
22 YEAR; ISN'T THAT TRUE?

23 A CORRECT.

24 Q AND ALL WITHIN THE 8-INCH PRECIPITATION  
25 CONTOUR?

26 A THERE'S A LITTLE UNCERTAINTY THAT WE ARE  
27 SIMPLY PRESUMING THAT LANCASTER IS INSIDE. I WOULD  
28 ACKNOWLEDGE THAT IF IT ISN'T INSIDE, IT IS ONLY SLIGHTLY

1 OUTSIDE.

2 Q WHEN IT RAINS WITHIN THE VALLEY AREA, I  
3 ASSUME THAT PRECIPITATION FALLS ON AGRICULTURAL  
4 PROPERTIES THAT ARE BEING FARMED?

5 A THAT WOULD BE PART OF THE LAND SURFACE.

6 Q I ASSUME THAT IT FALLS ON AGRICULTURAL  
7 PROPERTIES THAT ARE BEING IRRIGATED?

8 A CORRECT.

9 Q OKAY. AND YOU ARE AWARE THAT IN DOING THE  
10 ANALYSIS, MR. SCALMANINI CALCULATED RETURN FLOWS FROM  
11 APPLIED IRRIGATION WATER; CORRECT?

12 A AM I AWARE THAT HE DID THAT?

13 Q YES.

14 A YES, I AM.

15 Q BUT IT IS YOUR TESTIMONY THAT PRECIPITATION  
16 INSIDE THE 8-INCH PRECIPITATION CONTOUR FALLING ON  
17 IRRIGATED AGRICULTURAL PROPERTY RESULTS IN NO RETURN  
18 FLOW -- I MEAN, RESULTS IN NO NATURAL RECHARGE; CORRECT?

19 A THAT WOULDN'T BE MY TESTIMONY. IT WOULD  
20 BE -- MY TESTIMONY IS RELATED TO THE NATURAL LANDSCAPE  
21 ON THE VALLEY FLOOR, AND THERE'S QUITE A DIFFERENT  
22 SITUATION ON FARM LAND.

23 Q WELL, CERTAINLY, THEN, IF THERE IS RAINFALL  
24 OCCURRING ON CULTIVATED AGRICULTURAL REAL PROPERTY  
25 INSIDE THE 8-INCH PRECIPITATION CONTOUR, AT ANY TIME  
26 DURING YOUR STUDY PERIOD, IS THE NATURAL RECHARGE  
27 OCCURRING IN THOSE LOCATIONS INCLUDED IN THE TOTALS  
28 REFLECTED ON YOUR EXHIBIT 39?

1           A           NO, BECAUSE IT IS NOT A NATURAL PROCESS.

2           Q           OKAY. AND PRESUMABLY, IF THERE IS  
3 PRECIPITATION FALLING ON DEVELOPED URBANIZED AREAS THAT  
4 IT IS THEN RUNNING OFF AND BEING COLLECTED AND  
5 DISCHARGED, AND THAT RETURN BECOMING A SOURCE OF NATURAL  
6 RECHARGE, THAT'S NOT INCLUDED, EITHER, IS IT?

7           A           THE RUNOFF --

8           Q           WITHIN THE URBAN AREAS; FROM THE STREETS,  
9 CURBS, GUTTERS, ROOFTOPS, THAT ARE ALL MAKING ITS WAY  
10 INTO SOME COLLECTION SYSTEM AND WILL ULTIMATELY BE  
11 DISCHARGED. YET THAT RESULT IN NATURAL RECHARGE TO THE  
12 GROUNDWATER TABLE, THAT'S NOT CALCULATED?

13          A           IT WOULD NOT BE ACCOUNTED FOR. AGAIN, IT IS  
14 NOT A NATURAL PROCESS.

15          Q           ANY PRECIPITATION FALLING ON PONDS,  
16 SPREADING PONDS, HOLDING OR IMPOUNDING, THAT IS  
17 RESULTING IN NATURAL RECHARGE, THAT'S NOT INCLUDED,  
18 EITHER?

19          A           IT IS NOT.

20          Q           OKAY. AND YOU ARE NOT TESTIFYING THAT, IN  
21 REALITY, PRECIPITATION WITHIN THE 8-INCH PRECIPITATION  
22 CONTOUR RESULTS IN VIRTUALLY ZERO NATURAL RECHARGE, ARE  
23 YOU?

24          A           WELL, NOW THAT YOU HAVE EXPANDED IT TO  
25 DEVELOPED AREAS, IT MAY OR MAY NOT; BUT CERTAINLY, IN  
26 THE AGRICULTURAL AREAS, I'M SURE IT IS CONTRIBUTING TO  
27 RECHARGE. THE TOPIC OF MY ANALYSIS IS THE NATURAL  
28 RECHARGE.

1 Q OKAY. IMPLICIT IN YOUR ANALYSIS WAS THE  
2 ASSUMPTION THAT IT IS BARE DESERT, NO HUMAN BEINGS, NO  
3 AGRICULTURE, NOTHING OTHER THAN JUST THE SAND AND THE  
4 TUMBLEWEEDS AND WHATEVER ELSE?

5 A CORRECT. AND THEN THESE PROCESSES ON THE  
6 DEVELOPED LANDS WERE TAKEN UP BY MR. SCALMANINI'S WORK.

7 Q OKAY. BUT IN YOUR CONCLUSIONS, YOU DON'T  
8 INCLUDE ANY OF THE NATURAL RECHARGE WHICH WOULD OCCUR  
9 FROM A PRECIPITATION EVENT INSIDE THE 8-INCH  
10 PRECIPITATION CONTOUR BECAUSE OF THE FACT THAT, AS WE  
11 SIT HERE TODAY, IT IS NOT IN A NATURAL STATE. IT'S, IN  
12 FACT, IN A DEVELOPED STATE. FAIR?

13 A I WOULD -- BEFORE ANSWERING, I WOULD DO A  
14 LITTLE MODIFICATION OF YOUR QUESTION. YOU CHARACTERIZED  
15 IT AS NATURAL RECHARGE THAT IS ON DEVELOPED LAND. AND  
16 BY MY DEFINITION, THAT'S NOT NATURAL RECHARGE.

17 Q SO PRECIPITATION FALLING ON A FARMED  
18 AGRICULTURAL FIELD, WORKING ITS WAY INTO THE SOIL, PAST  
19 THE ROOTS, GOING INTO THE VADOSE ZONE, THAT IS NOT  
20 NATURAL RECHARGE?

21 A NOT IN THE CONTEXT OF MY EXPERT REPORT, IT  
22 IS HOT.

23 Q AND THEREFORE, TO WHATEVER MAGNITUDE OR  
24 EXTENT THAT IS, IT IS NOT QUANTIFIED BY YOU?

25 A NO, BUT OTHERS HAVE QUANTIFIED THOSE THINGS.

26 Q AND AT LEAST, THAT'S YOUR ASSUMPTION?

27 A THAT IS MY ASSUMPTION. IT WAS OUTSIDE THE  
28 SCOPE OF, CERTAINLY, MY ASSIGNMENT.

1 Q THAT IS MY POINT; THAT IS, IF IT GOT  
2 ACCOUNTED FOR ANYWHERE, IT WAS NOT BY YOU BUT BY  
3 SOMEBODY ELSE?

4 A CORRECT.

5 MR. JOYCE: YOUR HONOR, I JUST WANT TO READ INTO  
6 THE RECORD TWO PORTIONS OF MR. DURBIN'S DEPOSITION  
7 TESTIMONY.

8 THE COURT: PAGE AND LINE.

9 MR. JOYCE: THE FIRST, YOUR HONOR, WOULD BE FROM  
10 PAGE 245, COMMENCING AT LINE 16.

11 MS. RILEY: IS THAT VOLUME 2?

12 MR. JOYCE: YES. I BELIEVE THAT IS CORRECT.

13 THE COURT: AGAIN, THE LINE?

14 MR. JOYCE: THAT WOULD BE LINE 16, YOUR HONOR.

15 THE COURT: ALL RIGHT. GO AHEAD.

16 MR. JOYCE: STARTING AT THAT LINE AND ENDING ON  
17 PAGE 246, LINE 2.

18 STRIKE THAT, YOUR HONOR. ACTUALLY, I'M  
19 GOING DOWN AND FINISHING ON PAGE 246 AT LINE 14. QUOTE:

20 "QUESTION: WHAT DO YOU  
21 UNDERSTAND THE CONCEPT 'STORM INTENSITY'  
22 TO MEAN?

23 "ANSWER: IT HAS TO DO WITH  
24 THE PRECIPITATION RATES DURING A STORM.

25 "QUESTION: IN OTHER WORDS,  
26 THE AMOUNT OF WATER MEASURED  
27 AGAINST UNITS OF TIME?

28 "ANSWER: CORRECT.

1                   "QUESTION:  AND DO YOU AGREE  
2                   THAT NOT ONLY RUNOFF BUT ALSO  
3                   ULTIMATELY RECHARGE ARE AFFECTED  
4                   BY THE INTENSITY OF THE  
5                   PRECIPITATION EVENTS THAT OCCUR IN  
6                   ANY AREA?

7                   "ANSWER:  YES.

8                   "QUESTION:  CAN YOU TELL ME  
9                   WHICH FORMULA I LOOK AT IN YOUR  
10                  APPENDIX C THAT REFLECTS HOW YOU  
11                  TOOK INTO CONSIDERATION INTENSITY  
12                  OF THE STORM EVENTS THAT OCCURRED  
13                  WITHIN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY.

14                  "ANSWER:  THE APPROACHES  
15                  THAT I TOOK DON'T INVOLVE LOOKING  
16                  AT THAT.  THEY LOOK AT THE END  
17                  RESULTS OF THOSE PROCESSES.

18                  "QUESTION:  OKAY.  FOR  
19                  INSTANCE, WHEN YOU ASSUME THAT ON  
20                  THE VALLEY FLOOR, WHERE ANNUAL  
21                  AVERAGE PRECIPITATION IS EQUAL TO  
22                  OR LESS THAN 8 INCHES A YEAR, YOU  
23                  ASSUME NO RECHARGE; CORRECT?

24                  "ANSWER:  CORRECT."

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26                  MR. JOYCE:  THEN, YOUR HONOR, I WOULD MOVE TO  
27                  PAGE 247, LINE 15, ENDING ON PAGE 248, LINE 14.  QUOTE:

28                  "QUESTION:  NO.  I'M TALKING

1 ABOUT, IN YOUR EXHIBIT 3, ANY  
2 PRECIPITATION ON THE VALLEY FLOOR,  
3 IN YOUR VIEW, IS WHOLLY CONSUMED  
4 AND LOST BY EVAPOTRANSPIRATION;  
5 I.E., IT NEVER GETS BELOW THE ROOT  
6 ZONE, AND THEREFORE IT NEVER  
7 BECOMES RECHARGE; AM I CORRECT?

8 "ANSWER: YES, BUT I WANT TO  
9 CLARIFY ONE THING. THEIRS -- ARE  
10 YOU ASKING ME ABOUT MY  
11 UNDERSTANDING OF PROCESSES OR WHAT  
12 I DID IN MY ANALYSIS?

13 "QUESTION: WELL, IN YOUR  
14 ANALYSIS, YOU ASSUMED NO RECHARGE  
15 FOR VALLEY FLOOR PRECIPITATION?

16 "ANSWER: CORRECT."

17 "IN YOUR THEORETICAL  
18 APPROACH TO PROCESSES" --

19 THE COURT: THAT IS A QUESTION.

20 MR. JOYCE: I'M SORRY. YOU'RE CORRECT, YOUR  
21 HONOR. LET ME BACK UP. THE ANSWER WAS:

22 "ANSWER: CORRECT.

23 "QUESTION: IN YOUR  
24 THEORETICAL APPROACH TO PROCESSES,  
25 AS I UNDERSTOOD IT, YOU ACCEPTED  
26 THE BASIC PROPOSITION TRANSPOSED  
27 FROM SOME WORK DONE IN NEVADA AND  
28 APPLIED IT TO THIS AREA AND

1 CONCLUDED THAT IF THE ANNUAL  
2 AVERAGE PRECIPITATION WAS LESS  
3 THAN 8 INCHES PER YEAR ON THE  
4 VALLEY FLOOR IN THOSE LOCATIONS,  
5 THERE WAS NO RECHARGE?

6 "ANSWER: IN MY ANALYSIS, I  
7 ASSUMED THERE WAS -- I CERTAINLY  
8 WOULD -- IN DESCRIBING PROCESSES,  
9 NOTHING IS EVER ZERO. AND SO  
10 THAT IN THE BELOW 8 INCHES, I'M  
11 SURE WE CAN IMAGINE EVENTS WHERE  
12 THERE WOULD BE SOME. BUT IN MY  
13 ANALYSIS, I BASED IT ON THE  
14 CONCLUSION THAT THOSE EVENTS  
15 WERE NOT IMPORTANT TO THE  
16 ANALYSIS."

17 AND FINALLY --

18 THE COURT: SO FAR, MR. JOYCE, YOU ARE JUST  
19 REITERATING WHAT HE HAS TESTIFIED TO HERE TODAY. IS  
20 YOUR NEXT EXCERPT SOMETHING THAT IS DIFFERENT?

21 MR. JOYCE: ACTUALLY, THAT IS SUFFICIENT FOR MY  
22 PURPOSES, YOUR HONOR.

23 THE COURT: ALL RIGHT. ARE YOU DONE, THEN?

24 MR. JOYCE: ONE MOMENT, YOUR HONOR.

25 BY MR. JOYCE:

26 Q MR. WILDERMUTH (SIC) --

27 THE COURT: MR. DURBIN.

28 MR. JOYCE: I APOLOGIZE.



1 Q MR. DURBIN, IF YOU'D TURN TO YOUR EXHIBIT  
2 111, PLEASE.

3 DO YOU HAVE EXHIBIT 111 BEFORE YOU?

4 A I DO.

5 Q AND IF YOU COULD LOOK AT WHAT WAS MARKED IN  
6 MR. KUHS' CROSS-EXAMINATION AS D30.

7 A TO HELP ME FIND IT, WHAT KIND OF THING AM I  
8 LOOKING FOR?

9 Q IT WOULD BE YOUR FIGURE C14.

10 THE COURT: IT'S ON THE SCREEN.

11 MR. JOYCE: THAT'S CORRECT, YOUR HONOR.

12 Q DO YOU HAVE BOTH OF THOSE AVAILABLE TO YOU?

13 A I DO.

14 Q AND IF WE LOOK AT EXHIBIT 111, YOU HAVE AT  
15 THE CONCLUSION OF THAT TABLE WHAT'S IDENTIFIED AS WHAT  
16 YOU CALL THE "BASIN REMAINDER." DO YOU SEE THAT?

17 A I DO.

18 Q AND YOU ASCRIBE A YIELD OF 25,777 ACRE-FEET.  
19 DO YOU SEE THAT?

20 A YES.

21 Q AND IF YOU'D LOOK AT D30. IF I UNDERSTOOD  
22 YOUR TESTIMONY CORRECTLY, THE BASIN REMAINDER IS  
23 EVERYTHING BUT WHAT APPEARS ABOVE IT IN EXHIBIT 111;  
24 CORRECT?

25 A YES, WITH THE ADDITIONAL SPECIFICATION THAT  
26 IT'S EVERYTHING ABOVE THE 8-INCH CONTOUR LINE.

27 Q I UNDERSTAND THAT. IT IS EVERYTHING ABOVE  
28 THE 8-INCH CONTOUR LINE UP TO THE WATERSHED BOUNDARY AND

1 EXCLUDING THE AREAS IDENTIFIED WITH THE SEPARATE  
2 SUBWATERSHEDS IN THE PRECEDING ENTRIES ON TABLE 111;  
3 CORRECT?

4 A YES.

5 Q AND GOING TO D30, THEN, THOSE OTHER AREAS  
6 ARE IDENTIFIED BY SUBAREAS IN RED; CORRECT?

7 A YES.

8 Q DO YOU KNOW WHAT THE PERCENTAGE RELATIONSHIP  
9 IS OF WHAT WAS DESCRIBED AS SUBWATERSHED AREAS VERSUS  
10 THE ENTIRETY OF THE BALANCE OF THE PERIMETER AREAS?

11 A IT IS -- THAT INFORMATION IS IN THE REPORT,  
12 BUT IT WOULD TAKE SOME DIGGING TO EXTRACT WHAT THAT AREA  
13 IS.

14 Q OKAY. AND I NOTICE THAT YOU HAVE NO  
15 WATERSHED AREAS IDENTIFIED -- OR SUBWATERSHED AREAS  
16 IDENTIFIED UP NORTH OF EDWARDS, IN THAT AREA UP THERE;  
17 CORRECT?

18 A BECAUSE THERE ARE NO GAUGES UP THERE, BUT  
19 THERE IS -- THAT WOULD BE -- PART OF THAT IS WITHIN THE  
20 BASIN REMAINDER.

21 Q THAT IS MY POINT, IS THAT YOU DIDN'T  
22 SEPARATELY ANALYZE ANY SUBWATERSHED AREAS UP IN THAT  
23 AREA.

24 A CORRECT.

25 Q OKAY. AND IF I UNDERSTOOD IT CORRECTLY, AS  
26 FAR AS WHERE YOU ACTUALLY WENT OUT AND DID YOUR OWN  
27 FIELD INVESTIGATIONS, YOU DIDN'T DO ANY FIELD  
28 INVESTIGATION IN THAT AREA, EITHER?

1           A           THE VERY NORTH CORNER OF THE WATERSHED AREA?

2           Q           YES.

3           A           I DID NOT.

4           Q           OKAY.  AND AS TO THE CHARACTERISTICS OF ALL  
5 OF THE STREAMS THAT WOULD BE EMBRACED WITHIN THE,  
6 QUOTE-UNQUOTE, BASIN REMAINDER, I ASSUME THAT YOU  
7 APPLIED THE SAME GENERALIZED CONCEPTUAL RELATIONSHIP TO  
8 ALL OF IT, AS A SINGLE GROUP?

9           A           THE SAME RELATIONSHIP WAS APPLIED  
10 EVERYWHERE; CORRECT.

11          Q           YEAH.  AND THAT WOULD ALSO, THEN, PRESUPPOSE  
12 THAT THEY ALL SHARED COMMON OR SIMILAR CHARACTERISTICS?

13          A           IT -- WHAT IT IS BASED ON IS THAT ALL OF THE  
14 BASINS, ON AN AVERAGE ANNUAL BASIS, RESPOND SIMILARLY TO  
15 THE AVERAGE ANNUAL PRECIPITATION, EVEN THOUGH THE  
16 WATERSHEDS HAVE DIFFERENT GEOLOGY, DIFFERENT SOILS,  
17 DIFFERENT VEGETATION.

18                    BUT WE FIND THAT IN DEVELOPING THIS AVERAGE  
19 ANNUAL RELATIONSHIP, IT FITS EQUALLY TO A WIDE RANGE OF  
20 WATERSHEDS.  AND AS I TESTIFIED YESTERDAY, THE PRINCIPAL  
21 DRIVING FORCE IS THE AVERAGE ANNUAL PRECIPITATION.

22                    NOW, PART OF WHY THIS OCCURS IS THAT  
23 PRECIPITATION IS A DETERMINATIVE OF VEGETATION, SO  
24 PLACES WITH SIMILAR PRECIPITATION HAVE SIMILAR  
25 VEGETATION.  BUT THE END RESULT IS THAT THE DATA SHOWS  
26 THEY RESPOND SIMILARLY, FOR WHATEVER REASON.

27          Q           IF YOU COULD GO BACK AND REFER TO EXHIBIT  
28 D33 FOR A MOMENT.  THAT IS THE USGS WATER SUPPLY PAPER

1 2193.

2 DO YOU HAVE THAT BEFORE YOU?

3 A I DO.

4 Q IF YOU WOULD JUST GO TO PAGE 13. YOU'LL  
5 NOTICE THIS IS THE TABLE THAT MR. KUHS SHOWED YOU HAD  
6 THE VARIOUS FORMULAS AND THE LIKE FOR DOING UNCHANNELED  
7 STREAM GEOMETRY CALCULATIONS -- UNGAUGED STREAM CHANNEL  
8 CALCULATIONS.

9 YOU NOTICE THAT THE AUTHORS, AS TO THEIR OWN  
10 METHODOLOGY AND CALCULATION, ASSIGNED A STANDARD ERROR  
11 OF ESTIMATE. DO YOU SEE THAT?

12 A I DO.

13 Q ANYWHERE FROM 28 UPWARDS OF 75 PERCENT. DO  
14 YOU SEE THAT?

15 A CORRECT.

16 MR. JOYCE: OKAY.

17 MR. ZIMMER: WHAT WAS THE REFERENCE ON THAT?

18 MR. JOYCE: THAT WAS D33.

19 Q AND YOURSELF, YOU REFERENCED YOUR EQUATION  
20 ON EXHIBIT 25; AM I CORRECT -- G25.

21 IS THAT CORRECT?

22 A CORRECT.

23 Q OKAY. AND YOU, IF I UNDERSTOOD YOU  
24 CORRECTLY, MADE NO DISTINCTION BETWEEN PERENNIAL,  
25 INTERMITTENT, OR EPHEMERAL STREAMS. YOU USE A SINGLE  
26 EQUATION TO APPLY TO ALL THREE; IS THAT CORRECT?

27 A CORRECT.

28 Q AS WE SIT HERE RIGHT NOW, WE DON'T KNOW WHAT

1 THE "A" COEFFICIENT OR THE "B" EXPONENT IS, DO WE?

2 A NO.

3 Q AS WE SIT HERE RIGHT NOW, DO WE KNOW WHAT  
4 YOUR STANDARD DEVIATION WAS AS TO YOUR FORMULA?

5 A WE DO.

6 Q WHAT IS THAT?

7 A I WOULD HAVE TO GO TO THE SCATTER DIAGRAM.

8 THE SCATTER DIAGRAM IS SHOWN ON EXHIBIT G29.  
9 AND WITH THE EXCEPTION OF BIG ROCK CREEK, WHICH I  
10 DISCUSSED YESTERDAY AS BEING AN OUTLIER, THERE'S A VERY  
11 CLOSE CORRELATION BETWEEN THE RELATIONSHIP THAT I  
12 DEVELOPED AND THE ACTUAL MEASUREMENTS WITHIN R SQUARE OF  
13 99.

14 THE AVERAGE FLOW OF ALL THE DATA IS MAYBE  
15 DOWN AROUND 5,000 OR SOMETHING LIKE THAT. AND FROM THIS  
16 GRAPH, YOU CAN SEE THAT THE SCATTER AMOUNT IS MAYBE 500  
17 ACRE-FEET. SO IT IS ABOUT A 10 PERCENT OR SOMETHING  
18 LIKE THAT.

19 Q SO YOU HAVE A 10 PERCENT STANDARD ERROR --  
20 OR STANDARD DEVIATION ASSIGNED TO YOUR FORMULA AS  
21 CONTRASTED TO THE STANDARD DEVIATIONS ASSIGNED BY THE  
22 AUTHORS OF THE PAPER 2193 OF 50 TO 70 PERCENT?

23 A YEAH. AND THE REASON FOR THAT IS THAT I'M  
24 FITTING THE RELATIONSHIP TO A SPECIFIC GEOGRAPHIC AREA.  
25 AND IN THIS TABLE, THEY ARE TRYING TO GENERALIZE  
26 RELATIONSHIPS OVER THE ENTIRE WESTERN UNITED STATES. SO  
27 IT'S NOT SURPRISING THAT I WOULD GET BETTER RESULTS THAN  
28 THEY DO.

1 Q AND MY LAST AREA OF INQUIRY IS, WHEN YOU  
2 WERE WORKING COLLECTIVELY WITH MR. SCALMANINI AND  
3 MR. WILDERMUTH, I PRESUME THAT YOU HAD SOME APPRECIATION  
4 FOR THE WORK THEY WERE DOING?

5 A IN GENERAL. I MEAN, I HAVE THE REPORTS; I  
6 HAVE PARTICIPATED IN THE MEETINGS. AND SO I -- I HAVE A  
7 FAIR UNDERSTANDING OF WHAT THEY HAVE DONE.

8 Q DID YOU EVER DISCUSS WITH THOSE TWO  
9 GENTLEMEN DOING A SIMILAR STANDARD DEVIATION CALCULATION  
10 AS TO THEIR END PRODUCT?

11 A I HAVE NOT.

12 Q YOU DID NOT.

13 I JUST WANT TO READ TO YOU FROM  
14 MR. SCALMANINI'S TESTIMONY, STARTING AT PAGE 938 AND  
15 CONCLUDING AT -- EXCUSE ME, 938, LINE 2, I BELIEVE --  
16 LET ME GET THIS CORRECT. I THINK IT IS 2;  
17 I'M NOT REAL SURE. AND I BELIEVE IT ENDS AT PAGE 939,  
18 LINE 2.

19 MR. DUNN: I'M SORRY, MR. JOYCE. COULD YOU GIVE  
20 US THE STARTING REFERENCE AGAIN.

21 MR. JOYCE: IT'S PAGE 938 -- IF YOU HAVE IT, I  
22 WILL GET YOU THE EXACT LINE NUMBER. I BELIEVE IT IS  
23 LIKE 15 OR 16, BUT MY NOTES ARE NOT REAL GOOD. BUT IT  
24 ENDS ON PAGE 939, LINE 2.

25 THIS WAS A QUESTION POSED BY MR. FIFE TO  
26 MR. SCALMANINI. QUOTE:

27 "QUESTION: IS THERE A MARGIN  
28 OF ERROR ON YOUR SUSTAINABLE YIELD

1 ANALYSIS?

2 "ANSWER: NO.

3 "QUESTION: AND BY 'NO,' DO  
4 YOU MEAN THAT YOUR SUSTAINABLE  
5 YIELD NUMBER IS PRECISELY CORRECT?

6 "ANSWER: NO.

7 "QUESTION: BUT NO MARGIN OF  
8 ERROR EXISTS?

9 "ANSWER: AS THE OTHER  
10 QUESTIONS YOU ASKED ME BEFORE  
11 ABOUT MARGIN OF ERROR, IN ORDER TO  
12 GET TO 'ERROR,' ONE HAS TO KNOW  
13 WHAT THE PRECISE OR RIGHT ANSWER  
14 IS AS CONTRASTED TO THE ANSWER  
15 THAT WE CALCULATED, AND THAT IS  
16 NOT KNOWN. AND SO I CAN'T EXPRESS  
17 A MARGIN OF ERROR FOR THIS --  
18 THESE RESULTS VIS-A-VIS SOME KNOWN  
19 'RIGHT' ANSWER."

20 Q IS THAT CORRECT TO SAY, MR. DURBIN, THAT YOU  
21 HAVE TO KNOW WHAT THE PRECISELY CORRECT ANSWER IS BEFORE  
22 YOU CAN CALCULATE A MARGIN OF ERROR OR STANDARD  
23 DEVIATION?

24 A WELL, FIRST OF ALL, ON THE QUESTION THAT WAS  
25 ASKED OF MR. SCALMANINI, THE "TERM MARGIN OF ERROR" WAS  
26 USED. AND I THINK EARLIER IN THIS CROSS-EXAMINATION, I  
27 SAID THAT I DON'T KNOW WHAT THAT MEANS. IT IS A LAY  
28 TERM.

1 Q IF THE PERSON WERE TO ASK "STANDARD  
2 DEVIATION," IS THE ANSWER THE SAME?

3 MR. DUNN: OBJECTION. THAT ASSUMES FACTS NOT IN  
4 EVIDENCE. THERE IS NO TESTIMONY AS TO THAT.

5 THE COURT: SUSTAINED.

6 MR. JOYCE: THANK YOU.

7 MR. DURBIN, I HAVE NO FURTHER QUESTIONS.

8 THE COURT: MR. SLOAN.

9

10 (A RECESS WAS TAKEN.)

11

12 CROSS-EXAMINATION

13 BY MR. SLOAN:

14 Q GOOD MORNING, MR. DURBIN. MY NAME IS  
15 WILLIAM SLOAN. I'M COUNSEL FOR US BORAX IN THIS CASE.  
16 I WOULD LIKE TO QUICKLY START OFF JUST BY ASKING YOU  
17 ABOUT PRECIPITATION.

18 DID YOU DEVELOP A LONG-TERM ANNUAL AVERAGE  
19 ESTIMATE FOR PRECIPITATION FOR THE ANTELOPE VALLEY  
20 WATERSHED?

21 A IF YOU ARE REFERRING TO THE MAP THAT I  
22 DEVELOPED, YES.

23 Q WHAT I WAS CURIOUS ABOUT IS A TOTAL. DID  
24 YOU HAVE A TOTAL ANNUAL ESTIMATE FOR THE WATERSHED? HOW  
25 MUCH PRECIPITATION HAPPENED?

26 A FOR THE TOTAL VOLUME?

27 Q YES.

28 A I EXTRACTED THOSE SORTS OF NUMBERS FROM THE



1 MAP.

2 Q DO YOU RECALL WHAT THAT NUMBER WAS?

3 A ACTUALLY, I MAY HAVE A TABULATION.

4 ACTUALLY, I DON'T. IT'S IN THE HOTEL ROOM.

5 Q DO YOU RECALL, IS IT SOMEWHERE IN THE  
6 NEIGHBORHOOD OF 600,000 ACRE-FEET PER YEAR?

7 A INCLUDING THE VALLEY FLOOR?

8 Q YES.

9 A THAT SOUNDS SORT OF RIGHT, YES.

10 Q AND PRECIPITATION IS THE STARTING POINT FOR  
11 THE VARIOUS APPROACHES THAT YOU USED IN CALCULATING  
12 NATURAL RECHARGE; IS THAT CORRECT?

13 A OR INPUT. I'M NOT SURE WHICH COMES FIRST IN  
14 THE PROCESS; BUT IT IS AN INPUT, YES.

15 Q BUT PRECIPITATION DOES FACTOR INTO THE  
16 EVAPOTRANSPIRATION METHOD, THE PRECIPITATION YIELD  
17 METHOD, AND THE CHLORIDE METHOD?

18 A IT DOES.

19 Q DID YOU CALCULATE A STANDARD ERROR FOR YOUR  
20 ESTIMATE OF PRECIPITATION?

21 A WELL, YES. AND THAT IS REFLECTED ON THE  
22 SCATTER DIAGRAM THAT I SHOWED ON HOW WELL THE -- THE MAP  
23 THAT IS THE DATA.

24 Q AND WHEN YOU -- WHEN YOU PROVIDED TO US THE  
25 STANDARD ERROR FOR YOUR NATURAL RECHARGE ESTIMATES, YOU  
26 DESCRIBED THEM AS PLUS OR MINUS SOME CERTAIN AMOUNT OF  
27 ACRE-FEET. DO YOU RECALL THAT TESTIMONY?

28 A YES.

1 Q DO YOU HAPPEN TO KNOW WHAT THE STANDARD  
2 ERROR WAS FOR YOUR PRECIPITATION ESTIMATES?

3 A DO YOU NEED A PRECISE ANSWER, OR CAN I JUST  
4 TELL YOU ABOUT WHAT IT IS?

5 Q ABOUT IS FINE.

6 A BECAUSE I COULD GO LOOK THAT UP IN ONE OF  
7 THE EXHIBITS.

8 THE STANDARD ERROR, I BELIEVE, IS ABOUT 6/10  
9 OF AN INCH, SOMETHING LIKE THAT. AND THE AVERAGE  
10 PRECIPITATION OVER THE VALLEY IS, YOU KNOW, 15 INCHES OR  
11 SOMETHING. THAT WOULD REPRESENT -- I DON'T KNOW WHAT  
12 THE RATIO IS, BUT IT IS A PRETTY SMALL PERCENTAGE.

13 Q AND THERE'S A FAIR AMOUNT OF VARIABILITY IN  
14 PRECIPITATION FROM ONE YEAR TO THE NEXT; IS THAT  
15 CORRECT?

16 A THERE IS, YES.

17 Q WITH RESPECT TO PLAYA FLOODING, THAT ALSO  
18 FACTORS INTO YOUR EVAPOTRANSPIRATION AND YOUR  
19 PRECIPITATION YIELD METHODS; IS THAT CORRECT?

20 A YES. THAT IS ONE OF THE INPUTS TO GETTING  
21 FROM YIELD TO RECHARGE.

22 Q AND DID YOU CALCULATE A STANDARD ERROR FOR  
23 YOUR PLAYA FLOODING ESTIMATE OF -- IT WAS APPROXIMATELY  
24 9,000 ACRE-FEET?

25 A I DID.

26 Q DO YOU RECALL WHAT THAT STANDARD ERROR WAS?

27 A IT'S ON THE ORDER OF PLUS OR MINUS  
28 20 PERCENT.

1 Q WITH RESPECT TO PLAYA FLOODING, THE  
2 ESTIMATES THAT YOU DEVELOPED ALSO HAVE A RELATIVELY HIGH  
3 DEGREE OF VARIABILITY; IS THAT CORRECT?

4 A YES.

5 Q AND IN FACT, WITH RESPECT TO YOUR ESTIMATES,  
6 AT SOME POINT YOU ESTIMATED THAT PLAYA FLOODING WAS  
7 ZERO; IS THAT CORRECT?

8 A YOU MEAN, IN SOME YEARS?

9 Q YES.

10 A YES.

11 Q IN OTHER YEARS, YOU ESTIMATED AS HIGH AS  
12 112,000 ACRE-FEET; IS THAT CORRECT?

13 A WITHOUT LOOKING AT THE GRAPH -- THAT SEEMS  
14 REASONABLE. I DON'T KNOW EXACTLY WHAT THE NUMBER MIGHT  
15 BE.

16 Q SO FOR YOUR ESTIMATES, SOMETIMES PLAYA  
17 FLOODING WAS ZERO; IN SOME YEARS, IT WAS 112,000 ACRE  
18 FEET. YOU THEN DEVELOPED A LONG-TERM AVERAGE ESTIMATE  
19 OF 9,000 ACRE-FEET?

20 A CORRECT.

21 Q IF I COULD -- ON DIRECT TESTIMONY, YOU WERE  
22 ASKED ABOUT THE AVAILABILITY OF DATA. DO YOU RECALL  
23 THAT QUESTION?

24 A UM --

25 Q OR THE ADEQUACY OF THE DATA THAT YOU HAD  
26 AVAILABLE TO YOU FOR YOUR ANALYSIS.

27 A I DON'T REMEMBER THE QUESTION.

28 Q DO YOU RECALL TESTIFYING THAT YOU FELT YOU

1 HAD ADEQUATE DATA TO CONDUCT THE ANALYSIS THAT YOU  
2 PERFORMED?

3 A IF I DIDN'T SAY IT, I WOULD SAY IT NOW.

4 Q OKAY. COULD I PLEASE TURN YOU TO EXHIBIT  
5 G14.

6 DO YOU HAVE THAT EXHIBIT IN FRONT OF YOU?

7 A I DO.

8 Q IF I RECALL YOUR TESTIMONY CORRECTLY, THE  
9 REASON THAT YOU HAVE DEPICTED HERE PRECIPITATION  
10 STATIONS OUTSIDE OF THE WATERSHED WAS BECAUSE YOU DIDN'T  
11 HAVE ENOUGH DATA WITHIN THE WATERSHED TO CONDUCT YOUR  
12 ANALYSIS; IS THAT CORRECT?

13 A YES. IT HELPED BETTER TO FIND THE  
14 PRECIPITATION ALTITUDE PART OF THE OVERALL RELATIONSHIP.

15 Q AND IN ORDER TO DO THAT ALTITUDE CALCULATION  
16 OR DEVELOP THAT RELATIONSHIP, YOU HAD TO RELY ON SOME OF  
17 THESE STATIONS THAT WERE OUTSIDE THE WATERSHED; IS THAT  
18 CORRECT?

19 A YES.

20 Q IF I COULD NEXT TURN YOU TO EXHIBIT G16.  
21 THIS IS A DEPICTION OF PRECIPITATION -- ANNUAL  
22 PRECIPITATION OF THE PALMDALE STATION; IS THAT CORRECT?

23 A YES.

24 Q THIS EXHIBIT SHOWS US THE DATA FROM THAT  
25 STATION FROM 1949 THROUGH 2005, AND THAT IS THE STUDY  
26 PERIOD THAT YOU USED FOR YOUR ANALYSIS; IS THAT CORRECT?

27 A THAT'S CORRECT.

28 Q WERE YOU INVOLVED IN THE SELECTION OF THE

1 YEARS THAT ULTIMATELY BECAME THE STUDY PERIOD, OR DID  
2 SOMEONE TELL YOU "I'D LIKE YOU TO USE 1949 TO 2005"?

3 A YOU KNOW, I DON'T REMEMBER THE PROCESS.  
4 THIS IS SOMETHING THAT CAME OUT OF THE TECHNICAL  
5 COMMITTEE, AND IT WAS A -- ULTIMATELY, AS I RECALL, A  
6 GROUP DECISION; BUT I DON'T REMEMBER THE PARTICULAR  
7 DYNAMICS OF WHO INFLUENCED WHAT.

8 MR. ZIMMER: OBJECTION TO THAT PORTION OF THE  
9 ANSWER THAT IT'S A GROUP DECISION. THAT IS CONFIDENTIAL  
10 INFORMATION OF THE TECHNICAL COMMITTEE, AND IT'S NOT  
11 ACCURATE. MOVE TO STRIKE THE ASPECT OF IT THAT SAID  
12 "GROUP DECISION."

13 MR. ROBERT KUHS: JOIN.

14 MR. SLOAN: I WOULD JOIN IN THAT.

15 THE COURT: ALL RIGHT. I'LL STRIKE THE REFERENCE  
16 TO THE TECHNICAL COMMITTEE.

17

18 (LAUGHTER)

19

20 BY MR. SLOAN:

21 Q ALSO, ON THIS EXHIBIT YOU HAVE A RED LINE  
22 DEPICTING THE AVERAGE. IS THAT THE AVERAGE OR THE MEAN  
23 OF THE DATA THAT IS SHOWN HERE?

24 A YES, THE AVERAGE OF THE -- AVERAGE ANNUAL  
25 PRECIPITATION.

26 Q ARE YOU FAMILIAR WITH A PROCESS CALLED -- OR  
27 THE DEPICTION OF DATA CALLED THE "CUMULATIVE DEPARTURE  
28 FROM MEAN"?

1           A           I AM, YES.

2           Q           AND IF I UNDERSTAND THAT DEPICTION, RATHER  
3   THAN SHOWING DATA AS IT RELATES TO THE AVERAGE, IF, FOR  
4   EXAMPLE, IN THE FIRST ENTRY HERE IN 1949 IT IS BELOW THE  
5   AVERAGE, YOU START AT A ZERO POINT, AND THEN YOU MOVE  
6   DOWN -- MEANING, YOU -- A RELATIVE AMOUNT BELOW AVERAGE  
7   THAT YOU HAVE IN THAT GIVEN YEAR. IS THAT YOUR  
8   UNDERSTANDING OF IT?

9           A           IT IS.

10          Q           IF YOU WOULD FOR ME, WOULD YOU LOOK AT  
11   EXHIBIT G16, AND JUST FOR THE PERIOD 1950 THROUGH 1960,  
12   JUST THOSE TEN YEARS. HOW MANY YEARS ARE ABOVE AVERAGE?

13          A           FIVE YEARS.

14          Q           SO IF WE ARE DOING THE CUMULATIVE DEPARTURE  
15   FROM MEAN, YOU WOULD HAVE FIVE OF THE TEN YEARS WHERE  
16   YOUR TRAJECTORY WOULD GO UP, AND THEN FOR THE OTHER FIVE  
17   IT WOULD GO DOWN; IS THAT RIGHT -- IF WE WERE DOING  
18   CUMULATIVE DEPARTURE FROM MEAN?

19          A           YES.

20          MR. SLOAN: YOUR HONOR, I'M HAPPY TO DO THIS WITH  
21   EITHER EXHIBIT, BUT THIS WAS MARKED AS WILDERMUTH  
22   EXHIBIT 6, AND IT IS ALSO SCALMANINI EXHIBIT 101, FIGURE  
23   4.7-2. I WOULD PREFER TO USE THE WILDERMUTH EXHIBIT,  
24   BUT I DON'T KNOW IF THE COURT HAS THAT.

25          THE COURT: YES.

26          MR. SLOAN: OKAY. I HAVE A COPY THAT I'M HAPPY TO  
27   PROVIDE TO MR. DURBIN, IF THAT IS ALL RIGHT.

28          THE COURT: YES. WHAT NUMBER IS IT?

1 MR. SLOAN: THIS IS WILDERMUTH EXHIBIT 6.

2 THE COURT: OKAY.

3 MR. SLOAN: FOR BENEFIT OF COUNSEL HERE, IT IS THE  
4 BASE PERIOD BASED ON PRECIPITATION, WATERSHED,  
5 CUMULATIVE DEPARTURE FROM MEAN, ANNUAL PRECIPITATION,  
6 ANTELOPE VALLEY, ACTON STATION GAUGE.

7 FOR COUNSEL THAT HAVE ONLY THE EXHIBIT 101,  
8 IT IS FIGURE 4.7-2.

9 Q AND I HAVE A FAIRLY SIMPLE QUESTION: JUST  
10 FOR THE SAME PERIOD, 1950 TO 1960, WOULD YOU TELL ME HOW  
11 MANY YEARS YOU HAVE THE TRAJECTORY GOING UP.

12 MR. WEEKS: OBJECTION; OUTSIDE THE SCOPE OF HIS  
13 DIRECT.

14 MR. SLOAN: THIS GOES TO ESTABLISHING WHY HE IS  
15 USING THAT STUDY PERIOD. HE TESTIFIED ABOUT HIS STUDY  
16 PERIOD, YOUR HONOR.

17 THE COURT: ALL RIGHT. OVERRULED.

18 THE WITNESS: AT THIS PARTICULAR PRECIPITATION  
19 GAUGE, IT LOOKS LIKE THERE'S JUST TWO THAT -- DURING  
20 THAT PERIOD THAT GO UP.

21 BY MR. SLOAN:

22 Q OKAY. THANK YOU.

23 NOW, YOU USED PRECIPITATION DATA TO MAKE  
24 ADJUSTMENTS TO VARIOUS OTHER DATA THAT WAS MISSING FOR  
25 THE PURPOSES OF YOUR ANALYSIS; IS THAT CORRECT?

26 A WELL, I USED PRECIPITATION DATA TO MAKE  
27 ADJUSTMENTS TO OTHER PRECIPITATION RECORDS, BUT THAT  
28 DIDN'T -- I MEAN, THE PRECIPITATION WASN'T INVOLVED IN

1 STREAMFLOW OR SOMETHING LIKE THAT.

2 Q OKAY. DID YOU MAKE ADJUSTMENTS FOR OTHER  
3 PRECIPITATION DATA BASED ON WHETHER OR NOT IT WAS A WET  
4 YEAR OR A DRY YEAR?

5 A I DID -- OR MORE APPROPRIATELY, WHETHER IT  
6 WAS -- THE RECORD AT THE STATION REPRESENTED, OVERALL, A  
7 WET -- A WET PART OF THE LONGER RECORD OR A DRY PART OF  
8 THE LONGER RECORD. SO IT IS KIND OF A YEAR-BY-YEAR  
9 ADJUSTMENT.

10 Q IN DEVELOPING THAT RELATION -- IF YOU COULD  
11 TURN TO EXHIBIT G18. THIS IS AN EXHIBIT THAT YOU  
12 PREPARED IN ORDER TO SHOW HOW, ULTIMATELY, THE  
13 PRECIPITATION MAP YOU DEVELOPED COMPARED TO THE STATION  
14 DATA; IS THAT CORRECT?

15 A THAT IS CORRECT.

16 Q I AM INTERESTED IN THE HORIZONTAL AXIS IN  
17 THIS EXHIBIT. IT SAYS AS "ADJUSTED ANNUAL AVERAGE  
18 STATION PRECIPITATION IN INCHES"; IS THAT CORRECT?

19 A YES.

20 Q SO YOU COMPARED IT AGAINST THE ADJUSTED DATA  
21 THAT -- OR THE DATA AFTER YOU HAD MADE THE ADJUSTMENT?  
22 IS THAT HOW YOU DID THAT COMPARISON?

23 A CORRECT.

24 Q WOULD YOU PLEASE TURN TO EXHIBIT G19. AND  
25 ALSO EXHIBIT G20.

26 A I HAVE THOSE.

27 Q ON THE HORIZONTAL AXIS THERE, YOU HAVE  
28 "MEASURED STATION PRECIPITATION"; IS THAT CORRECT?



1           A           YES, BUT THAT IS THE ADJUSTED VALUE IN EACH  
2 CASE.

3           Q           SO IT WAS YOUR ADJUSTMENTS THAT YOU COMPARED  
4 TO THESE OTHER MAPS THAT HAVE BEEN PREPARED; IS THAT  
5 CORRECT?

6           A           CORRECT.

7           Q           IF YOU WOULD NOW PLEASE TURN TO EXHIBIT G24.  
8 IT IS AN EXHIBIT ENTITLED "AVERAGE STREAMFLOW AT USGS  
9 SITES." DO YOU HAVE THAT IN FRONT OF YOU?

10          A           I DO.

11          Q           I'M INTERESTED IN DIRECTING YOUR ATTENTION  
12 SPECIFICALLY TO THE COLUMN -- IT IS THE FIFTH COLUMN --  
13 WHICH SAYS "RECORD PERIOD." DO YOU SEE THAT COLUMN?

14          A           I DO.

15          Q           AND WITH RESPECT TO THE RECORD PERIOD, YOU  
16 HAVE A -- AM I CORRECT IN UNDERSTANDING THAT THAT IS HOW  
17 MANY YEARS BETWEEN 1959 AND 2005 THAT YOU ACTUALLY HAD  
18 RECORDED DATA FROM THAT PARTICULAR LOCATION?

19          A           YES.

20          Q           AND SO, FOR EXAMPLE, THE LAST ENTRY, MESCAL  
21 CREEK, THE RECORD PERIOD IS THREE. SO YOU HAD THREE  
22 YEARS OUT OF MARCH 1949 TO 2005 WHERE YOU HAD MEASURED  
23 DATA?

24          A           THAT'S CORRECT.

25          Q           AND THEN YOU MADE -- THE AVERAGE -- THE NEXT  
26 COLUMN SHOWS THE AVERAGE DISCHARGE. AND THAT IS, I'D  
27 ASSUME, FOR THE PERIOD THAT YOU HAVE RECORDED DATA?

28          A           CORRECT.

1 Q AND THEN YOU MADE AN ADJUSTMENT BECAUSE YOU  
2 ONLY HAD THREE YEARS. AND PRESUMABLY, THERE MAY HAVE  
3 BEEN WET YEARS THAT AREN'T SHOWN BY -- DURING THE  
4 RECORDED PERIOD, AND THERE MAY HAVE BEEN DRY YEARS. SO  
5 YOU TRIED TO MAKE AN ADJUSTMENT, BASED ON YOUR  
6 UNDERSTAND OF THE ENTIRE 1949 TO 2005 PRECIPITATION; IS  
7 THAT CORRECT?

8 A YES.

9 Q SO ULTIMATELY, WITH MESCAL CREEK, YOU MADE  
10 THAT ADJUSTMENT. AND RATHER THAN THE 2,100 ACRE-FEET,  
11 YOU WENT TO 1,155 ACRE-FEET. IN EFFECT, YOU ESTIMATED  
12 THAT THE LONG PERIOD, IT WAS ABOUT 55 PERCENT OF WHAT  
13 WAS THE RECORDED PERIOD; IS THAT CORRECT?

14 A YES.

15 Q AND ULTIMATELY, THESE ADJUSTED DISCHARGES  
16 ARE THEN ADDED INTO -- THE ADJUSTED DISCHARGE ON AN  
17 ACRE-FEET-PER-YEAR BASIS IS THEN ADDED INTO, ULTIMATELY,  
18 WHAT BECOMES YOUR NATURAL RECHARGE CALCULATION; IS THAT  
19 CORRECT?

20 A WELL, THEY'RE AN INPUT TO THE PRECIPITATION  
21 YIELD METHOD. I DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU MEAN BY "ADDED IN."

22 Q THE SUM OF THESE ADJUSTED DISCHARGES ARE  
23 ADDED INTO WHAT ULTIMATELY IS THE TOTAL NATURAL RECHARGE  
24 UNDER YOUR PRECIPITATION YIELD METHOD; IS THAT CORRECT?

25 A NO. I THINK WE WOULD HAVE TO REFER TO  
26 ANOTHER TABLE THAT -- FOR BIG ROCK CREEK AND LITTLE ROCK  
27 CREEK --

28 Q I THINK --

1 A DO I NEED TO PROCEED?

2 Q NO. I SUSPECT -- I SUSPECT THAT YOU ARE  
3 REFERRING TO AN EXHIBIT LATER, WHERE YOU MADE A FURTHER  
4 ESTIMATE OFF OF THOSE ADJUSTED MEASUREMENTS?

5 A RIGHT. AND FOR MY BEST -- WHAT I CALL MY  
6 "BEST ESTIMATE," I DON'T ALWAYS USE THE MEASUREMENT.

7 Q WE WILL GET TO THAT.

8 JUST SO I CAN TRY TO GET THROUGH THIS AS  
9 QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE, IF YOU WOULD PLEASE TURN TO EXHIBIT  
10 G25. NOW, WITH RESPECT TO CHANNEL GEOMETRY  
11 MEASUREMENTS, YOU ALSO HAD TO DEVELOP A RELATION BASED  
12 ON GAUGE SITES. YOU SEE THE THIRD BULLET THERE.

13 THAT WAS, AGAIN, FOR SITUATIONS WHERE YOU  
14 DIDN'T ACTUALLY HAVE RECORDED DATA, YOU DEVELOPED THIS  
15 RELATIONSHIP SO THAT YOU COULD ULTIMATELY ESTIMATE HOW  
16 MUCH WATER WAS COMING THROUGH THESE VARIOUS CHANNELS  
17 THAT NO ONE HAD ACTUALLY MEASURED ON THE GROUND; IS THAT  
18 CORRECT?

19 A YES, IF I UNDERSTAND HOW YOU DESCRIBE WHAT I  
20 DID. MAYBE I SHOULD GIVE BACK TO YOU JUST WHAT'S LISTED  
21 ON THIS EXHIBIT. BUT BASED ON THE GAUGE STATIONS, I  
22 DEVELOPED A RELATIONSHIP AND THEN USED THAT RELATIONSHIP  
23 TO ESTIMATE THE STREAMFLOW FOR A COLLECTION OF SMALL  
24 WATERSHEDS. I THINK THERE WERE FIVE OR SIX OF THEM.

25 Q AND IF WE JUST MOVE AHEAD ONE EXHIBIT, TO  
26 G26. ULTIMATELY, IT'S THOSE CIRCLES WITHOUT THE  
27 TRIANGLES WHERE YOU DID THAT; CORRECT?

28 A YES.

1 Q AND EXHIBIT G30, THAT HAS THOSE SEVEN  
2 LOCATIONS AND THE ESTIMATES THAT YOU CAME UP WITH FOR  
3 THOSE LOCATIONS; IS THAT CORRECT?

4 A YES. THERE ARE SEVEN LOCATIONS, AND THESE  
5 ARE THE ESTIMATES IN THIS TABLE.

6 Q OKAY. NOW, YOU ALSO DEVELOPED A BASIN  
7 REMAINDER, DID YOU NOT?

8 A YES.

9 Q DID YOU USE THE SAME RELATIONSHIP THAT YOU  
10 DID FOR THESE UNNAMED CHANNELS FOR THAT CALCULATION?

11 A NO. THERE'S -- I CAN SEE THAT THERE IS A  
12 HUGE CONFUSION HERE RIGHT NOW. THE CHANNEL GEOMETRY  
13 EQUATION THAT YOU -- THAT WAS ON A PREVIOUS EXHIBIT,  
14 THAT EQUATION WAS SIMPLY USED TO ESTIMATE STREAMFLOW AT  
15 THESE SEVEN SMALL WATERSHEDS.

16 AND THE DATA FOR THOSE SEVEN WENT INTO THE  
17 LARGER COLLECTION OF WHAT I WOULD SORT OF,  
18 QUOTE-UNQUOTE, CALL "MEASURED STREAMFLOW," WHICH THEN  
19 WAS USED TO DEVELOP A RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN PRECIPITATION  
20 AND RUNOFF.

21 SO THAT THE ONLY CONNECTION WITH RESPECT TO  
22 CHANNEL GEOMETRY AND THE PRECIPITATION YIELD METHOD IS  
23 THAT THE CHANNEL GEOMETRY WAS USED TO ESTIMATE THESE  
24 FLOWS FOR THESE SMALL WATERSHEDS, AND THEY WERE  
25 INCORPORATED INTO THE BROADER ANALYSIS.

26 Q I ACTUALLY WASN'T ASKING WITH RESPECT TO --  
27 HOPEFULLY, THERE WAS NO CONFUSION.

28 YOU DID ESTIMATE THE BASIN REMAINDER; IS

1 THAT CORRECT?

2 A YES, BUT --

3 Q I WASN'T SUGGESTING THAT YOU USED THE  
4 FORMULA.

5 A OKAY. GREAT. THANK YOU.

6 Q BUT THE BASIN REMAINDER WAS ANOTHER ESTIMATE  
7 THAT YOU HAD TO DEVELOP, ULTIMATELY, TO COME UP WITH  
8 YOUR PRECIPITATION YIELD RESULT; IS THAT CORRECT?

9 A CORRECT, YES.

10 Q OKAY. IF I COULD TURN YOU TO EXHIBIT G46 --  
11 I'M SORRY, EXHIBIT G36. THIS EXHIBIT REFERS TO THE  
12 POTENTIAL EVAPOTRANSPIRATION DATA THAT -- THE  
13 PREPARATION OF THAT DATA THAT WAS INVOLVED; IS THAT  
14 CORRECT?

15 A YES.

16 Q AND AGAIN, HERE YOU HAD TO RELY ON -- I  
17 BELIEVE YOU REFER TO IT AS CIMIS DATA; IS THAT CORRECT?

18 A YES.

19 Q AND IN THIS INSTANCE, THERE WERE -- I  
20 BELIEVE YOUR TESTIMONY WAS THAT THERE WERE TEN YEARS OF  
21 DATA FOR CIMIS; IS THAT CORRECT?

22 A ROUGHLY THAT. THERE'S A TABLE IN MY EXPERT  
23 REPORT, I THINK, FOR EACH STATION THAT SAYS WHAT DATA  
24 ARE AVAILABLE. THERE ARE DIFFERENT PERIODS -- OR RECORD  
25 LINKS FOR INDIVIDUAL ONES, BUT THEY'RE ROUGHLY TEN  
26 YEARS.

27 Q ROUGHLY TEN YEARS. OKAY.

28 AND THEN YOU HAD TO TAKE THAT DATA AND

1 EXTEND THE RECORD PERIOD FOR THE ENTIRE 1949-TO-2005  
2 PERIOD; IS THAT CORRECT?

3 A CORRECT.

4 Q AND YOU MADE ADJUSTMENTS. AND I THINK YOU  
5 SAID YOU USED TEMPERATURE AS ONE OF THE FACTORS YOU HAD  
6 TO USE FOR ADJUSTMENTS?

7 A WELL, TEMPERATURE WAS USED IN THE EXTENSION  
8 OF THE PALMDALE RECORD FROM THE CIMIS DATA PERIOD TO THE  
9 OVERALL STUDY PERIOD.

10 Q AND SO, ULTIMATELY, IN EXHIBIT G38, IT IS  
11 TEN OF THOSE YEARS THAT ARE RECORDED DATA, AND THE  
12 REMAINDER ARE YOUR ESTIMATES?

13 A CORRECT.

14 Q NOW, IF I COULD MOVE YOU TO EXHIBIT G46.  
15 EXHIBIT G46, ULTIMATELY, WHAT I'M INTERESTED IN IS AT  
16 BOTTOM, WHERE IT SAYS "NDVI STAR EQUALS KC." AND THAT I  
17 BELIEVE YOU REFERRED TO AS A CROP COEFFICIENT; IS THAT  
18 CORRECT?

19 A CORRECT.

20 Q ULTIMATELY, YOU HAD TO TAKE THE POTENTIAL  
21 EVAPOTRANSPIRATION, THE TOP FORMULA, MULTIPLY IT BY THAT  
22 CROP COEFFICIENT, AND THAT GAVE YOU THE  
23 EVAPOTRANSPIRATION THAT YOU USED FOR YOUR  
24 EVAPOTRANSPIRATION METHOD?

25 A YES.

26 ONE OF THE THINGS I JUST NOTICED: THE SLIDE  
27 UP ON THE WALL, I THINK THERE HAVE BEEN CORRECTIONS MADE  
28 TO THAT, BUT IT'S -- IT'S THE BOTTOM EQUATIONS. "NDVI"

1 IS "NDVI STAR" IN BOTH CASES. AND I'M NOT SURE, IN YOUR  
2 QUESTION, WHAT YOU SAID.

3 Q YEAH. I DID SAY "NDVI STAR."

4 A OH, YOU DID.

5 Q YOU ARE CORRECT; WE DID GET SUBSTITUTES.

6 NOW, THE WAY THAT YOU DEVELOPED NDVI STAR  
7 WAS THROUGH THE ANALYSIS OF SATELLITE IMAGERY; IS THAT  
8 CORRECT?

9 A YES.

10 Q AND IN THE SUMMARY EXPERT REPORT, DO YOU  
11 RECALL -- LET ME START OVER.

12 ARE YOU AWARE THAT MR. SCALMANINI PERFORMED  
13 SATELLITE IMAGERY ANALYSIS FOR CROP ACREAGE?

14 A I AM.

15 Q AND IN THE SUMMARY EXPERT REPORT, IT'S  
16 ACTUALLY BEEN MARKED AS EXHIBIT E1. I BELIEVE IT IS --  
17 I DON'T HAVE THE FIGURE NUMBER OFFHAND, BUT IT IS IN  
18 EXHIBIT 101, THE SUMMARY EXPERT REPORT.

19 HE REPORTED THE VARIATION BETWEEN SATELLITE  
20 IMAGERY INTERPRETATION OF CROP ACREAGE VERSUS THE  
21 REPORTED CROP ACREAGE IN THE COUNTY CROP REPORTS. ARE  
22 YOU FAMILIAR WITH THAT?

23 A I DON'T RECALL THAT.

24 Q ARE YOU FAMILIAR WITH THE ACCURACY INVOLVED  
25 WITH SATELLITE IMAGERY INTERPRETATIONS?

26 A IN THE APPLICATIONS THAT I USE. I CAN'T GO  
27 BEYOND THAT.

28 Q OKAY. COULD WE MOVE FORWARD, THEN, TO

1 EXHIBIT G54. G54 REFERS TO AVERAGE GROUNDWATER  
2 CHLORIDE. AND HERE YOU USED THE STATIONS DEPICTED IN  
3 THE UPPER LEFT-HAND OVAL FOR THE TEHACHAPI MEASUREMENT  
4 AND THEN, BELOW THAT, THE SAN GABRIEL MEASUREMENT; IS  
5 THAT CORRECT?

6 A YES.

7 Q AND WITH RESPECT TO PRECIPITATION CHLORIDE,  
8 ON THE NEXT EXHIBIT, G55, YOU USED THE THREE DOTS, THREE  
9 BLUE DOTS, ACCOMPANIED BY THE OVAL DEPICTED THERE, FOR  
10 THE SAN GABRIEL PRECIPITATION CHLORIDE MEASUREMENT?

11 A YES.

12 Q AND YOU ALSO USED THAT MEASUREMENT FOR THE  
13 TEHACHAPI PRECIPITATION CHLORIDE MEASUREMENT?

14 A I DID.

15 Q I'M TRYING TO GET TO THE END HERE.

16 WILL YOU PLEASE TURN TO EXHIBIT G110. THIS  
17 EXHIBIT SHOWS HOW YOU DEVELOPED THE GROUNDWATER FLOW  
18 RELATION, OR DEPICTS THE RELATION FIT FOR THE  
19 GROUNDWATER FLOW; IS THAT CORRECT?

20 A IT IS, YES.

21 Q ULTIMATELY, YOU ONLY HAD THREE DATA POINTS,  
22 IS THAT CORRECT, FOR DETERMINING THAT THE R SQUARED WAS  
23 APPROXIMATELY 73 PERCENT; IS THAT RIGHT?

24 A CORRECT.

25 Q IF I HEARD YOU CORRECTLY, THAT MEANT THAT  
26 ROUGHLY 73 PERCENT OF THE TIME, AT LEAST IN COMPARISON  
27 TO THE MEASURED DATA THAT YOU HAVE HERE, YOU WOULD  
28 EXPECT TO PREDICT ACTUAL MEASUREMENTS. IS THAT A FAIR



1 WAY OF CHARACTERIZING IT?

2 A IT IS A LITTLE DIFFERENT THAN THAT. WHAT I  
3 SAID YESTERDAY IS THAT WHAT THE 73 PERCENT REPRESENTS,  
4 IF YOU JUST LOOK AT VARIABILITY OF THE DATA BY ITSELF  
5 AND THEN LOOK AT THE -- AND THEN DEVELOP A RELATIONSHIP,  
6 AND WHAT IS THE VARIABILITY AROUND THE RELATIONSHIP.

7 AND THIS SAYS THAT, OF THAT TOTAL  
8 VARIABILITY IN THE DATA, THAT THE RELATIONSHIP EXPLAINS  
9 73 PERCENT; AND THE REMAINING 27 PERCENT IS BEING  
10 INFLUENCED BY FACTORS THAT ARE NOT REPRESENTED IN THE  
11 RELATIONSHIP.

12 Q SO WHAT THAT MEANS IS, MAYBE STATED IN  
13 ANOTHER WAY, IS THAT 73 PERCENT OF THE TIME, IF YOU  
14 ADHERE TO THIS RELATION FIT -- WELL, STRIKE THAT.

15 BUT YOU USED THIS RELATION FIT BASED ON  
16 THESE -- OR AFTER DETERMINING THE QUALITY OF THE  
17 RELATION FIT FOR THE ESTIMATES THAT YOU MADE IN THE  
18 FOLLOWING EXHIBIT, G111; IS THAT CORRECT?

19 A YES.

20 Q AND IN THE FIRST COLUMN -- SORRY; IN THE  
21 FIRST COLUMN IS THE NAMES OF THE VARIOUS GAUGED AND  
22 UNGAUGED WATERSHEDS; IS THAT CORRECT?

23 A YES.

24 Q IN THE SECOND COLUMN AT THE TOP, FOR THE  
25 SECOND -- FOR THE SECOND, THIRD, AND FORTH COLUMNS, YOU  
26 HAVE THE TERM "MEASURED," AND THEN YOU HAVE "RUNOFF,"  
27 AND THE RUNOFF VALUES FOR EACH OF THE WATERSHEDS TALLIED  
28 DOWN; IS THAT CORRECT?

1 A YES.

2 Q AND IF YOU SEE MESCAL, FOR EXAMPLE, YOU HAVE  
3 THE VALUE OF 1,155. NOW, IN EXHIBIT G24 I, BELIEVE THE  
4 ACTUAL MEASURED VALUE WAS ROUGHLY DOUBLE THAT, BUT YOU  
5 MADE AN ADJUSTMENT AND -- FOR THE PERIOD OF RECORD, AND  
6 THAT IS WHY YOU HAVE THAT 1,155; IS THAT CORRECT?

7 A I BELIEVE SO. I CAN TELL YOU -- YOU  
8 REFERRED BACK TO THE OTHER TABLE. I WASN'T SURE WHETHER  
9 THESE VALUES WERE THE ACTUAL MEASURED OR THE ADJUSTED,  
10 BUT I CAN SEE HERE BY THE REFERENCE THESE ARE THE  
11 ADJUSTED VALUES.

12 Q OKAY. SO THEY ARE NOT ACTUALLY MEASURED.  
13 THEY ARE ADJUSTED BASED ON THE ESTIMATING THAT YOU DID  
14 IN EXHIBIT 24 THAT WE DISCUSSED; IS THAT CORRECT?

15 A WHAT WAS EXHIBIT 24?

16 Q SORRY, EXHIBIT G24. THAT WAS --

17 A THAT WAS THE ORIGINAL ONE WHERE THE  
18 ADJUSTMENT FACTORS --

19 Q YES.

20 A YES. SO THESE ARE THE VALUES OF THE  
21 MEASURED FLOWS THAT HAVE BEEN ADJUSTED FOR THEIR PERIOD  
22 OF RECORD.

23 Q AND THEN YOU MADE A FURTHER -- WHERE YOU  
24 DIDN'T HAVE A MEASURE FOR GROUNDWATER OR YIELD, YOU HAD  
25 TO DO A SIMULATION BASED ON THIS 73 PERCENT RELATION FIT  
26 SHOWN IN EXHIBIT G110 TO SIMULATE WHAT GROUNDWATER WOULD  
27 BE; IS THAT CORRECT? AND IN SOME INSTANCES, ALSO WHAT  
28 RUNOFF MIGHT BE?

1           A           I THINK IN BOTH INSTANCES. SO UNDER THE  
2 THREE COLUMNS UNDER THE GENERAL COLUMN OF "SIMULATED,"  
3 THESE ARE THE VALUES THAT COME FROM THE RELATIONSHIPS  
4 THAT WERE DEVELOPED.

5           Q           SO, ULTIMATELY, YOU HAVE ADJUSTED RUNOFF,  
6 AND THEN YOU DO A SIMULATION ON THOSE ADJUSTMENTS. AND  
7 ULTIMATELY, THEN YOU COME UP WITH THE BEST ESTIMATE  
8 TOTALS THAT ARE DEPICTED THERE?

9           A           WELL, IT IS NOT -- IT'S NOT THAT.

10                    THE PROCESS WAS DEVELOPING A RELATIONSHIP  
11 AND INPUT TO DEVELOPMENT OF THAT RELATIONSHIP FOR THE  
12 ADJUSTED STREAMFLOW VALUES. AND THAT YIELD LEADS TO THE  
13 RUNOFF AND THE GROUNDWATER YIELD RELATIONSHIPS. THEN  
14 THOSE RELATIONSHIPS ARE USED WITH THE PRECIPITATIONS ON  
15 THE WATERSHEDS TO DEVELOP THE COLUMNS UNDER "SIMULATED."

16           Q           IF I COULD FINALLY JUST TURN YOU TO EXHIBIT  
17 G122. AND UNDERSTANDING -- AND EXHIBIT G122 HAD TO HAVE  
18 CORRECTIONS TO IT, SO WE CAN'T PUT IT UP ON THE SCREEN.

19                    THIS WAS YOUR FINAL EXHIBIT SHOWING THE  
20 UNCERTAINTY IN NATURAL RECHARGE. DO YOU RECALL THIS  
21 EXHIBIT?

22           A           YES. AND YESTERDAY, THERE WAS A COUPLE OF  
23 TYPOS THAT WERE REVISED.

24           Q           AND IF I RECALL CORRECTLY, YOU HAD TO  
25 CORRECT THE PRECIPITATION YIELD RECHARGE, THE  
26 PRECIPITATION YIELD STANDARD ERROR. AND ULTIMATELY,  
27 NOBODY ASKED YOU, BUT THAT PRESUMABLY MIGHT IMPACT YOUR  
28 COMBINATION TOTALS?

1 A NO, IT DOESN'T.

2 Q OKAY.

3 A I THINK THE ONLY THING THAT WAS CHANGED WAS  
4 THAT THE PRECIPITATION YIELD VALUE --

5 Q WENT TO 59,000 ACRE-FEET?

6 A YES. THE YIELD OF 68- AND THE 59-, BECAUSE  
7 IT HAD BEEN IMPROPERLY BROUGHT FORWARD FROM THE  
8 PREVIOUS.

9 AND I THINK THERE WAS ANOTHER TYPO THAT --

10 Q STANDARD ERROR WAS 13,000?

11 A 13,000 RATHER THAN 11,000. I THINK THAT'S  
12 ALL THAT WAS HANDED OUT YESTERDAY.

13 Q MY ONLY OTHER QUESTION I HAVE IS -- OR TWO  
14 QUESTIONS. YOU DID ALSO ANALYZE VARIABILITY, YEAR OVER  
15 YEAR, IN NATURAL RECHARGE; IS THAT CORRECT?

16 A ARE YOU TYING IT TO -- I'M NOT SURE WHAT THE  
17 QUESTION IS. PART OF THE ANSWER IS "YES." I MEAN, I  
18 HAVE A TABLE WHERE I TRANSLATE THE AVERAGE ANNUAL VALUES  
19 INTO --

20 Q INDIVIDUAL YEARS?

21 A -- INDIVIDUAL YEARS, BUT THAT IS NOT PART OF  
22 THIS TABLE ANYMORE.

23 Q DO YOU HAPPEN TO RECALL WHAT THE LOW AND  
24 HIGH OF THOSE INDIVIDUAL YEAR ESTIMATES ARE, JUST IN A  
25 GENERAL --

26 A I WOULD HAVE TO LOOK AT THE -- BUT THERE IS  
27 A LARGE VARIABILITY.

28 Q COULD IT BE AS LOW AS 6,000 ACRE-FEET AND AS

1 HIGH AS 200,000 ACRE-FEET?

2 A IF YOU WERE TO REPRESENT TO ME THAT THAT'S  
3 WHAT IS ON MY TABLE, I WOULD SAY THAT SOUNDS REASONABLE;  
4 BUT TO BE ABSOLUTELY SURE, IF IT IS NECESSARY, I CAN GO  
5 LOOK AT THE GRAPH.

6 MR. SLOAN: OKAY. I HAVE NO FURTHER QUESTIONS.  
7 THANK YOU.

8 THE COURT: ALL RIGHT. WE WILL STOP FOR LUNCH.  
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(THE NOON RECESS WAS TAKEN.)

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1 CASE NUMBER: JCCP 4408  
2 CASE NAME: ANTELOPE VALLEY  
3 LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2011  
4 DEPARTMENT NO. 316 HON. JACK KOMAR  
5 REPORTER GINGER WELKER, CSR #5585  
6 TIME: 1:30 P.M.  
7 APPEARANCES: (SEE TITLE PAGE)  
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10 CROSS-EXAMINATION

11 BY MR. MCLACHLAN:

12 Q GOOD AFTERNOON, MR. DURBIN. MY NAME IS MIKE  
13 MCLACHLAN. AND I REPRESENT ONE OF THE CLASS ACTIONS IN  
14 THIS CASE CALLED THE SMALL PUMPERS, SPECIFICALLY RICHARD  
15 WOOD. IF YOU COULD FOR A MOMENT, COULD YOU TURN TO  
16 EXHIBIT G16. THE POWERPOINT EXHIBITS THAT WERE OFFERED  
17 BY YOUR COUNSEL IN REGARD TO THE EXAMINATION, WERE THOSE  
18 ALL PREPARED BY YOURSELF?

19 A YES. YES, THEY WERE. I MEAN, LET ME GIVE  
20 YOU A LITTLE QUALIFICATION. THERE IS -- IN SOME OF THE  
21 POWERPOINTS, THERE IS A SORT OF SCHEMATIC CROSS-SECTION  
22 OF THE WATERSHED. ONE OF MY STAFF PREPARED THAT AS SORT  
23 OF BASIC BACKGROUND THAT I HAD BEEN UTILIZING IN  
24 CONSTRUCTING THEM INTO SLIDES.

25 Q BUT YOU YOURSELF PUT THE DATA AND THE  
26 INFORMATION INTO THE POWERPOINT PRESENTATION?

27 A I DID.

28 Q AND DID YOU GO THROUGH ANY PROCESS OF GOING

1 THROUGH TO DOUBLE CHECK THE INFORMATION THAT YOU  
2 INCLUDED IN YOUR POWERPOINT FOR ACCURACY?

3 A WELL, I CHECKED IT VARIOUS TIMES. I  
4 OBVIOUSLY MISSED SOME THINGS IN THE CHECKING PROCESS.

5 Q IN EXHIBIT 16 DO I UNDERSTAND CORRECTLY THAT  
6 THE ANNUAL DATA THAT IS REFERENCED THERE FOR THE  
7 PALMDALE STATION, IS THE ADJUSTED NUMBERS, IS THAT  
8 RIGHT, THE ADJUSTED ANNUAL PRECIPITATION?

9 A YES.

10 Q OKAY. AND THE ADJUSTMENT PROCESS WAS  
11 SOMETHING YOU HAD DO TO REMOVE A BIAS FROM A MISSING DAY  
12 OR DAYS OF WATER READINGS WERE NOT RECORDED,  
13 PRECIPITATION READINGS RATHER, WERE NOT RECORDED?

14 A I DON'T CALL THAT ADJUSTMENT. THAT WAS THE  
15 ADJUSTMENT THAT IS THE TERM I USE FOR CORRECTING FOR WET  
16 AND DRY PERIODS. I FILLED IN THE MISSING DATA FOR DAYS  
17 THAT -- THAT THERE WERE NO DATA AVAILABLE.

18 Q WHAT GENERALLY ARE THE REASONS, IF YOU HAVE  
19 AN UNDERSTANDING, AS TO WHY THERE WOULD BE NO READINGS  
20 OR NO DATA AVAILABLE FOR PARTICULAR DAYS?

21 A WELL, THERE ARE TWO BASIC REASONS. THERE  
22 MAY BE OTHERS BUT I -- TWO BASIC ONES. ONE IS A  
23 MALFUNCTIONING OF THE GAUGE AND SOME OF THESE GAUGES ARE  
24 MAINTAINED ON A DAILY BASIS BY AN INDIVIDUAL. AND THEY  
25 CAN NEGLECT TO GO OUT AND COLLECT THE DATA ON A  
26 PARTICULAR DAY SO THOSE DAYS END UP BEING MISSING.

27 MR. MCLACHLAN: COULD YOU TURN TO THE SUMMARY  
28 EXPERT REPORT, AND I WANT TO REFER YOU TO AN EXHIBIT

1 THAT MR. JOYCE USED WITH YOU. IT IS TABLE C.20.

2 AND, YOUR HONOR, BEFORE I FORGET TO DO IT,  
3 I'M GOING TO -- I BELIEVE I'M F; RIGHT?

4 THE COURT: THAT IS CORRECT.

5 MR. MCLACHLAN: SO I'LL MARK EXHIBIT 2C0 AND C2J.  
6 AND, UNFORTUNATELY, I LEFT MY COPIES AT THE OFFICE, BUT  
7 I WILL MARK MY INDIVIDUAL COPY AS WHATEVER NEXT IN ORDER  
8 IS FOR F.

9 THE COURT: LET'S FIGURE OUT WHAT THAT IS.

10 MR. MCLACHLAN: JUST SO WE ARE CLEAR THERE WAS AN  
11 EXHIBIT I IDENTIFIED, SOMEBODY CORRECTED IT -- IT HAS  
12 BEEN IDENTIFIED TWICE IN SOMEONE ELSE'S RANGE, AND WE  
13 MOVED IT, AND THAT'S WHY I DON'T REMEMBER THE EXACT  
14 NUMBER. IT IS EITHER FOUR OR FIVE.

15 THE CLERK: SERIES F, EXHIBIT 2 WHICH IS A F-2 ON  
16 FEBRUARY 9TH THAT WAS ENTERED.

17 MR. MCLACHLAN: WHY DON'T WE JUST PICK F4.

18 THE COURT: WE MAY ALREADY HAVE ONE, SO IT WOULD  
19 BE F5.

20 MR. MCLACHLAN: SO THESE TWO PAGES WILL BE F5.

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22 (SMALL PUMPERS CLASS/R.WOOD EXHIBIT  
23 F5 MARKED.)

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25 BY MR. MCLACHLAN:

26 Q MR. DURBIN, LOOKING AT THE PALMDALE DATA  
27 WHICH IS TABLE C.20?

28 MR. DUNN: I'M SORRY, YOUR HONOR. IT'S ACTUALLY



1 TABLE C DOT -- OKAY. THERE IS A SEPARATE TABLE.

2 MR. MCLACHLAN: I'M SORRY. IT'S RIGHT. IT'S "O"  
3 AS IN OSCAR. MR. DUNN IS CORRECT.

4 Q NOW THIS TABLE, MR. DURBIN, IS AT LEAST IN  
5 TERMS OF FAR RIGHT-HAND CORNER, THE ANNUAL DATA, THE  
6 DATA THAT WOULD CORRESPOND TO YOUR EXHIBIT G16; IS THAT  
7 RIGHT?

8 A YES, THE -- THE TOTAL COLUMN.

9 Q NOW, ON G16 THE AVERAGE NUMBER, I BELIEVE  
10 YOU TESTIFIED, WAS SOMEWHERE IN THE RANGE OF 7.4. DO  
11 YOU RECALL THAT?

12 A SOMETHING LIKE THAT, I'M NOT SURE OF THE  
13 EXACT NUMBER.

14 Q AND THAT NUMBER WOULD HAVE BEEN CALCULATED  
15 FROM THE DATA THAT WE SEE LISTED IN THE RIGHT-HAND  
16 COLUMN OF TABLE C.20 RATHER?

17 A YES. THE GRAPH WAS NOT PRODUCED LITERALLY  
18 OR DIRECTLY FROM THIS TABLE. THIS WAS CREATED FROM A  
19 SIMILAR TABLE.

20 Q ARE YOU SURE THAT AVERAGE NUMBER IS RIGHT?

21 A I DON'T KNOW. I PRESUMED IT WAS RIGHT, BUT  
22 IT SEEMS TO FIT IN WITH WHAT THE CONDITIONS ARE AT  
23 PALMDALE.

24 Q I WOULD LIKE TO CROSS-REFERENCE YOUR CHART  
25 EXHIBIT G16 IN A FEW SPOTS WITH THE TABLE IN C.20. I  
26 DID THIS LAST NIGHT, AND I'LL REPRESENT TO YOU THAT MOST  
27 OF THE DATA POINTS IN YOUR -- YOUR TRIAL EXHIBIT ARE  
28 WRONG. AND, FOR EXAMPLE, IF YOU LOOK AT 1995 -- OR I'M

1 SORRY 2005, YOU HAVE ALMOST AN ANNUALIZED NUMBER OF 21.

2 WHEREAS IN YOUR TRIAL EXHIBIT G16 THE NUMBER  
3 IS WHAT, IT'S SOMEWHERE BELOW 15, IS THAT RIGHT, CAN YOU  
4 LOOK AT THOSE TWO POINTS?

5 A WHICH YEARS?

6 Q 2005, IF YOU COULD LOOK AT BOTH OF THOSE.  
7 CORRESPONDING NUMBERS IN THESE TWO EXHIBITS.

8 THE COURT: YOU ARE TALKING ABOUT F5 AND G16? IS  
9 THAT WHAT YOU ARE TALKING ABOUT?

10 MR. MCLACHLAN: THAT IS CORRECT, YOUR HONOR, AND  
11 I'M LOOKING AT THE YEAR OF 2005.

12 THE WITNESS: I CAN SEE THAT.

13 BY MR. MCLACHLAN:

14 Q THERE IS ABOUT A 5-INCH DIFFERENCE BETWEEN  
15 THOSE TWO?

16 A SO 2005 ON THE GRAPH IS A LITTLE OVER 14 AND  
17 ONE HALF, AND IT IS DIFFERENT, 20 INCHES ON THIS ONE.

18 Q OKAY. IT IS SIMILARLY JUST -- IN 19 -- JUST  
19 TAKING THE HIGH POINTS IN 1952, YOU HAVE OVER 18 INCHES  
20 SHOWN THERE, WHICH AGAIN WOULD BE OFF THE GRAPH THAT WE  
21 SEE ON G16; IS THAT CORRECT?

22 A WHICH YEAR AGAIN?

23 Q 1952?

24 A '52 ... THERE'S A DIFFERENCE THERE, ALSO.  
25 THE REASON FOR THE DIFFERENCE IS THAT THE GRAPH IS BASED  
26 ON A TABLE THAT WAS REVISED, AND THE REVISED TABLE WAS  
27 PROVIDED ON THE DISK AT MY DEPOSITION, AND WHAT'S  
28 PLOTTED IS WHAT WAS PROVIDED ON MY DEPOSITION AND NOT

1 WHAT IS IN THE EXPERT REPORT.

2 Q SO WHICH OF THE TWO WOULD BE CORRECT, THE  
3 TRIAL EXHIBIT OR THE TABLE THAT WE ARE USING IN EXHIBIT  
4 F5?

5 A THE TRIAL EXHIBIT BECAUSE IT IS BASED ON THE  
6 UPDATED VALUE -- IN THE WORKBOOK THAT FOR WHICH -- WAS  
7 IN THE EXPERT REPORT THERE WAS A MISTAKE MADE IN HOW THE  
8 SUMS WERE DONE AND THAT THAT WAS SUBSEQUENTLY CORRECTED.

9 Q COULD YOU ELABORATE A LITTLE BIT ON THIS  
10 MISTAKE. WHAT DID THAT INVOLVE?

11 A WELL, THERE IS -- IN EXCEL THERE IS SOME  
12 FUNCTION THAT PULLS SOME DESIGNATED GROUP OF NUMBERS AND  
13 THAT THAT SUM FUNCTION REFERENCED THE WRONG CELLS.

14 Q DID THAT REQUIRE YOU TO GO BACK AND REDO ANY  
15 OF YOUR ANALYSIS?

16 A I DID NOT.

17 Q IF YOU MIGHT, I DON'T WANT TO SPEND A LOT OF  
18 TIME WITH THIS, BUT PERHAPS IF YOU COULD JUST, LET'S  
19 PICK THE PERIOD BETWEEN '95 AND THE PRESENT IN BOTH OF  
20 THESE EXHIBITS, THAT'S F5 AND G16. AND IF YOU COULD  
21 JUST TAKE A MOMENT AND GO DOWN THERE AND CONFIRM THAT  
22 MOST ALL OF THOSE YEARS DIFFER BETWEEN THOSE TWO  
23 EXHIBITS.

24 A ACTUALLY, THEY DO BECAUSE THERE WAS -- THIS  
25 TABLE ISN'T WHAT IS PLOTTED ON THE EXHIBIT.

26 Q ALL RIGHT. DO I UNDERSTAND CORRECTLY THAT  
27 THE DATA THAT WAS USED TO GENERATE G16 IS WHAT WAS  
28 PRESENTED AT YOUR DEPOSITION?

1 A YES.

2 Q OKAY. THE -- BEFORE WE LEAVE EXHIBIT F5 IN  
3 THIS PARTICULAR PALMDALE PRECIPITATION CHART, I NOTE  
4 THAT IT HAD DATA GOING THROUGH 2009. DO YOU SEE THAT?

5 A YES.

6 Q NOW, WAS THERE ANY PARTICULAR REASON THAT  
7 YOU STOPPED YOUR ANALYSIS IN 2005?

8 A WELL, THERE -- THE WORK WAS DONE SEVERAL  
9 YEARS AGO AND -- OR A NUMBER OF YEARS AGO NOW,  
10 UNFORTUNATELY. AND AT THAT TIME THAT WAS THE PERIOD OF  
11 DATA THAT WERE AVAILABLE.

12 WE COMPILED ADDITIONAL DATA BUT THE --  
13 NOTHING WAS DONE AS FAR AS REANALYZING THE DATA WITH THE  
14 ADDITIONAL DATA.

15 Q WOULD IT HAVE BEEN DIFFICULT TO UPDATE YOUR  
16 NUMBERS USING THE YEARS THAT YOU HAVE AFTER 2005?

17 A IT WOULD HAVE TAKEN SUBSTANTIAL WORK TO DO  
18 THAT -- AND CHOSE NOT TO.

19 Q OKAY. IT IS UNCLEAR TO ME FROM YOUR PRIOR  
20 TESTIMONY WHY EXACTLY WAS IT THAT THE ANALYSIS FOR  
21 YOURSELF AND MR. SCALMANINI AND MR. WILDERMUTH WAS CUT  
22 OFF AT 2005?

23 A WELL, JUST AS I DESCRIBED THAT WHEN ALL THIS  
24 WORK WAS GOING ON IN THE TECHNICAL COMMITTEE THAT I  
25 THINK THAT MUST HAVE BEEN JUST SLIGHTLY AFTER 2005 OR  
26 SOMETHING LIKE THAT, AS FAR AS PUBLISHED DATA, THAT THIS  
27 WAS A PERIOD OF RECORD THAT WAS AVAILABLE.

28 Q I WANT TO RETURN FOR A MOMENT TO THIS 8-INCH

1 ISSUE THAT WE HAVE BEEN KICKING AROUND LIKE A SOCCER  
2 BALL BRIEFLY. DID YOU CONSIDER DOING ANY SORT OF A  
3 SENSITIVITY ANALYSIS IF YOU CHANGE THAT ASSUMPTION OF  
4 8 INCHES EQUATING TO NO RECHARGE. IF YOU CHANGE THAT  
5 AND YOU MADE IT BETWEEN SEVEN INCHES OR SIX INCHES, DID  
6 YOU CONSIDER TRYING TO RUN THOSE NUMBERS AND DO A  
7 SENSITIVITY ANALYSIS AND SEE WHAT WOULD HAPPEN TO YOUR  
8 ULTIMATE OPINION?

9 A WELL, I DIDN'T DO A FORMAL SENSITIVITY  
10 ANALYSIS. I HAVE AN UNDERSTANDING OR AN OPINION, BUT  
11 WHAT THOSE DIFFERENCES MIGHT BE.

12 Q COULD YOU ELABORATE?

13 A WELL, ON THE PRECIPITATION YIELD METHOD, IF  
14 THE THRESHOLD VALUES HAD BEEN SIX INCHES OR SOMETHING  
15 LIKE THAT, THERE WOULD HAVE BEEN A RESULTING SLIGHT  
16 SHIFT IN THE PARAMETERS FOR THE RUNOFF AND GROUNDWATER  
17 RELATIONSHIPS THAT I DEVELOPED.

18 BUT THERE WOULD ALSO BE A CORRESPONDING  
19 CHANGE IN THE AMOUNT OF PRECIPITATION AND IN THE END  
20 RESULT WITH THOSE THINGS WOULD BE A WASH. YOU WOULD GET  
21 THE SAME RESULT BECAUSE WE ARE DEVELOPING A RELATIONSHIP  
22 THAT MATCHES THE STREAMFLOW, AND THE STREAMFLOW DOESN'T  
23 CHANGE WITH A -- A CHANGE IN THAT AREA.

24 WITH RESPECT TO THE EVAPOTRANSPIRATION  
25 METHOD, IT WOULD HAVE ADDED ADDITIONAL PRECIPITATION,  
26 BUT IT WOULD ALSO HAVE ADDED ADDITIONAL  
27 EVAPOTRANSPIRATION; AND IN THAT LOW PRECIPITATION RANGE,  
28 THERE'S EVAPOTRANSPIRATION AND THE PRECIPITATION ARE

1 ALMOST IDENTICAL SO THAT THERE WOULD BE VERY LITTLE  
2 EFFECT OF MAKING SUCH A CHANGE.

3 Q NOW, DO I UNDERSTAND CORRECTLY THAT THE  
4 ORIGIN OF THIS 8-INCH ANNUAL PRECIPITATION THRESHOLD IS  
5 SOMETHING THAT ORIGINATED FROM A STUDY IN NEVADA; IS  
6 THAT RIGHT?

7 A WELL, IT IS MORE THAN A STUDY, AND IT'S MORE  
8 THAN NEVADA, BUT IT DOES START WITH THE ORIGINAL WORK BY  
9 MAXEY EAKIN IN NEVADA WHERE THEY ADOPTED THAT VALUE. SO  
10 IF THAT IS WHAT YOU ARE REFERRING TO A STUDY IN NEVADA,  
11 THAT WOULD BE THE STARTING POINT OF THAT.

12 Q NOW, WHEN MAXEY EAKIN ADOPTED THAT VALUE,  
13 WAS THAT BASED UPON ANY PHYSICAL TESTING THEY DID IN A  
14 GEOLOGICAL ENVIRONMENT, OR WAS THAT JUST MATHEMATICAL  
15 ANALYSIS OF DATA?

16 A NO, IT WAS BASED ON DATA THEY HAD FOR A  
17 CERTAIN SELECTION OF GROUNDWATER BASINS IN SORT OF  
18 CENTRAL, EAST CENTRAL NEVADA, AND THEY HAD INFORMATION  
19 IN SORT OF A DIRECT ESTIMATE OF THE RECHARGE AND BACKED  
20 OUT THE RELATIONSHIP THAT VALLEY BY VALLEY FITTED AND  
21 CAME UP WITH THE 8-INCHES BASED ON THAT EMPIRICAL STUDY.

22 Q DO YOU KNOW WHAT A INFILTRATION TEST IS?

23 A WELL, I CAN IMAGINE -- THAT IS SORT OF A  
24 VERY GENERAL TERM. IT COULD MEAN A LOT OF THINGS.

25 Q YEAH, I'M MEANING TO REFER TO A TEST THAT  
26 WOULD INVOLVE, A PHYSICAL TEST IN THE FIELD OF THE  
27 ABILITY OF THE NATIVE SOILS TO BE INFILTRATED BY CERTAIN  
28 QUANTITY OF WATER AND THEN TESTING OF THE DEPTH TO SEE

1 HOW FAR DOWN THAT WATER WOULD GO, THAT GIVEN QUANTITY,  
2 HAVE YOU EVER SEEN ANY STUDIES THAT DO THAT KIND OF  
3 WORK?

4 A YES.

5 Q HAVE YOU EVER PERFORMED THAT KIND OF WORK IN  
6 THE FIELD?

7 A I HAVE.

8 Q IS IT VERY DIFFICULT TO DO?

9 A IT DEPENDS UPON THE DESIGN OF THE STUDY.  
10 SOME OF THEM ARE QUITE SIMPLE TO DO AND OTHERS ARE MORE  
11 COMPLICATED.

12 Q DO YOU KNOW WHETHER ANY OF THOSE SORT OF  
13 TESTS HAVE EVER BEEN DONE IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY?

14 A I'M SURE THEY HAVE BEEN DONE AT VARIOUS  
15 PLACES. I WOULD BE SURPRISED IF THEY HADN'T BEEN DONE.

16 MR. MCLACHLAN: WELL, I AM GOING TO MOVE TO STRIKE  
17 AS NONRESPONSIVE.

18 Q MY QUESTION WAS WHETHER OR NOT YOU KNOW IF  
19 SUCH TESTS HAVE EVER BEEN DONE IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY?

20 A I DO NOT.

21 Q OKAY. IS THERE ANY REASON WHY YOU DIDN'T DO  
22 ANY OF THOSE TESTS IN YOUR WORK IN THIS MATTER?

23 A BECAUSE THE TESTS OF THAT SORT WOULDN'T  
24 YIELD ANY INFORMATION ON THAT ISSUE OF RECHARGE FROM  
25 PRECIPITATION.

26 Q WHY IS THAT?

27 A ALL IT TELLS -- BECAUSE IT -- THE ONLY  
28 INFORMATION YOU GET ON THESE TESTS ARE THE PHYSICAL

1 PROPERTIES OF THE SOIL AND THE PROCESS -- I MEAN, THE  
2 PROCESSES THAT DETERMINE WHETHER OR NOT INFILTRATION OR  
3 RECHARGE OCCURS ARE MUCH BROADER THAN JUST THAT ONE  
4 ISSUE.

5 Q NOW DO I RECALL CORRECTLY THAT YOUR ESTIMATE  
6 OF THE AREA WITHIN THE 8-INCH PRECIPITATION CONTOUR WAS  
7 APPROXIMATELY 1 MILLION ACRES? THIS IS GOING BACK TO  
8 YOUR TESTIMONY WITH MR. FIFE.

9 A YES, SOMETHING OF THAT ORDER.

10 Q DID YOU DO ANY ANALYSIS TO TRY TO DETERMINE  
11 IF, IN FACT, YOU ARE WRONG ABOUT THIS ZERO RECHARGE  
12 BELOW 8-INCHES OF ANNUAL AVERAGE PRECIPITATION -- WELL,  
13 LET ME STRIKE THE QUESTION.

14 HAVE YOU EVER SEEN ANY STUDIES IN  
15 SOUTHWESTERN DESERTS CLIMATE THAT ESTIMATE IN THE  
16 NATURAL DESERT SETTING THAT ANYWHERE BETWEEN A 10TH AND  
17 5 PERCENT OF THE PRECIPITATION WILL ULTIMATELY REACH THE  
18 GROUNDWATER? THESE ARE -- I'M GOING TO FURTHER CLARIFY  
19 THAT THESE ARE ALL ENVIRONMENTS WITH 8-INCHES OR LOWER  
20 IN PRECIPITATION.

21 A THOSE ARE NOT STUDIES THAT I EXAMINED AS  
22 PART OF MY WORK.

23 Q ARE YOU FAMILIAR WITH A STUDY ALONG THOSE  
24 LINES FROM SCANLON IN 2006?

25 A I AM NOT.

26 Q OKAY. YOU DO -- IT SOUNDS LIKE FROM YOUR  
27 TESTIMONY FAIRLY CONVERSANT IN A LOT OF THE STUDIES,  
28 PARTICULARLY IN THIS AREA OF THE STATE -- IN ANTELOPE



1 VALLEY; IS THAT RIGHT?

2 A PROBABLY NO MORE THAN THE AVERAGE PERSON,  
3 BUT I'M NOT CLAIMING TO KNOW EVERYTHING.

4 Q I WANT TO JUST BRIEFLY TRY TO RECAST OR MAKE  
5 SURE I UNDERSTAND YOUR TESTIMONY ON THE PLAYA FLOODING  
6 ISSUE. UNDER YOUR FORMULA IF HYPOTHETICALLY THE  
7 FLOODING ON THE PLAYAS IS DUE TO -- WELL, LET ME STRIKE  
8 THAT. I WANT TO ASK A FOUNDATIONAL QUESTION.

9 DID YOU DO ANY RESEARCH OR ANALYSIS  
10 DETERMINED WHETHER ANY OF THE PRECIPITATION THAT IS  
11 FALLING ON THE VALLEY FLOORS DURING YEARS OF PLAYA  
12 FLOODING IS REACHING THE PLAYAS AND ACCOUNTING FOR SOME  
13 OF THE WATER THAT YOU SAW ON SATELLITES ON THOSE PLAYAS?

14 A THE -- I DID NOT DO SPECIFIC STUDIES.

15 Q DID YOU LOOK FOR ANY PHYSICAL EVIDENCE THAT  
16 WATER THAT WAS -- PRECIPITATION THAT WAS FALLING ON THE  
17 VALLEY FLOOR IN WETTER YEARS MAY HAVE BEEN CONTRIBUTING  
18 TO THE PLAYA FLOODING?

19 A I -- YES, THE ANSWER IS YES.

20 Q AND YOUR CONCLUSION WAS THAT YOU DIDN'T FIND  
21 ANY SUCH EVIDENCE?

22 A WELL, THERE ISN'T -- EXCEPT FOR THE MAJOR  
23 STREAM CHANNELS THERE IS NOT EVIDENCE OF A -- OF A LOT  
24 OF LOCAL RECHARGE COMING INTO AT LEAST THE ROSAMOND  
25 PLAYA. AND THE BASES OF THAT HAS TO DO WITH THE  
26 CHARACTERISTICS OF THE CHANNEL IN THE UPLANDS  
27 IMMEDIATELY AROUND THE PLAYA THAT THEY ARE -- WHEN YOU  
28 GO OUT IN THE FIELD AND LOOK AT THOSE CHANNELS, THEY ARE

1 NOT WELL-DEVELOPED CHANNELS. CERTAINLY, THERE IS SOME  
2 CONTRIBUTION TO THE PLAYA FLOODING THAT IS COMING FROM  
3 LOCAL RUNOFF, BUT MY OPINION WOULD BE THAT IS A SMALL  
4 AMOUNT.

5 Q WITH REGARD TO THIS LITTLE BIT MORE THAN  
6 9,000 AVERAGE ANNUAL ACRE-FEET THAT IS DISCHARGED TO THE  
7 PLAYAS, DO I UNDERSTAND CORRECTLY THAT TO THE EXTENT  
8 SOME PORTION OF THAT 9,000 ACRE-FEET ON AVERAGE PER YEAR  
9 COMES FROM SOURCES OTHER THAN THE CREEKS, SUCH AS  
10 SANITATION DISTRICTS OR LOCAL RUNOFF FROM THE VALLEY  
11 FLOOR THAT THAT WOULD HAVE A CORRESPONDING INCREASE IN  
12 YOUR NATURAL RECHARGE NUMBER?

13 MS. RILEY: OBJECTION. ASKED AND ANSWERED.

14 THE COURT: OVERRULED.

15 BY MR. MCLACHLAN:

16 Q DO YOU UNDERSTAND THE QUESTION?

17 A I THINK SO. SO YOU ARE ASKING --

18 Q LET'S SAY 5,000 ACRE-FEET OF THAT 9,000  
19 AVERAGE ANNUAL PLAYA FLOODING NUMBER WAS FROM SANITATION  
20 DISTRICTS AND LOCAL VALLEY RUNOFF AND ANYTHING ELSE THAT  
21 WE CAN THINK OF, IT WASN'T FROM THE CREEKS, IT DIDN'T  
22 COME FROM THE MOUNTAIN FRONT RECHARGE, WOULD THAT 5,000  
23 HAVE TO BE ADDED ON TO YOUR NUMBER FOR NATURAL RECHARGE?

24 A WELL, THE DIFFICULTY IN THE QUESTION IS THAT  
25 THE 9,000 COMES FROM ROOTING THE MOUNTAIN FRONT RUNOFF  
26 DOWN TO THE PLAYA. SO ANY CONSIDERATION OF, YOU KNOW,  
27 LOCAL RUNOFF THAT MIGHT BE OCCURRING SIMPLY ADDS TO THE  
28 LEVEL OF PLAYA FLOODING, BUT IT DOES NOT CHANGE THE

1 AMOUNT OF THE MOUNTAIN RUNOFF THAT REACHES THE PLAYA.

2 Q SO THE VOLUMES OF WATER THAT YOU CALCULATED  
3 ON THE PLAYA IS BASED UPON THE SATELLITE IMAGING  
4 DOESN'T BEAR UPON THE AMOUNT OF DISCHARGE FROM THE  
5 MOUNTAIN FRONTS?

6 A THE VOLUME THAT IS SHOWN ON THE -- WELL,  
7 YES, THE ANSWER IS THAT THOSE SATELLITE IMAGES THERE IS  
8 NOTHING THERE THAT IMPACTS IN ANY WAY THE 9,000  
9 ACRE-FEET AND THAT WHATEVER THE SOURCES OF WATER THAT  
10 FLOODING THE 9,000 ACRE-FEET IS AS IT IS.

11 MR. MCLACHLAN: I HAVE NO FURTHER QUESTIONS.

12 THE COURT: ALL RIGHT. MR. ZIMMER.

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15 CROSS-EXAMINATION

16 BY MR. ZIMMER:

17 Q MY EXAMINATION WILL BE RELATIVELY BRIEF,  
18 CERTAINLY NOT AS INTELLECTUALLY STIMULATING OR  
19 INSIGHTFUL FROM AN ENGINEERING PERSPECTIVE AS MR. KUHS  
20 IS PERHAPS, BUT I WANT TO GO OVER A FEW GENERAL IDEAS  
21 WITH YOU. FIRST OF ALL, THE POTENTIAL OF  
22 EVAPOTRANSPIRATION AS IT IS CALLED THAT'S CALLED  
23 POTENTIAL EVAPOTRANSPIRATION, RIGHT, IT IS NOT ACTUAL?

24 A CORRECT.

25 Q POTENTIAL EVAPOTRANSPIRATION YOU ARE LOOKING  
26 AT TO SEE HOW MUCH OF THE RAINFALL IS BASICALLY TAKEN UP  
27 BY VEGETATION IN THE MOUNTAIN FRONT AREA, TRUE?

28 A WELL, HOW MUCH POTENTIALLY CAN BE TAKEN OFF,

1 NOT HOW MUCH ACTUALLY IS.

2 Q EXACTLY, POTENTIALLY TAKEN UP. NOW  
3 POTENTIAL EVAPOTRANSPIRATION IN THE MOUNTAIN BLOCK AREA  
4 IS GOING TO IN SOME RESPECT DEPENDENT UPON THE TYPE OF  
5 VEGETATION; CORRECT?

6 A NOW, THIS IS A QUESTION ABOUT POTENTIAL?

7 Q YES, POTENTIAL EVAPOTRANSPIRATION?

8 A OKAY. SO I JUST WANT TO MAKE THAT CLEAR AS  
9 YOU ASK THE QUESTION WHAT -- I'M SORRY FOR INTERRUPTING.

10 Q THAT'S ALL RIGHT. POTENTIAL  
11 EVAPOTRANSPIRATION IS IN SOME MEASURE DEPENDENT UPON THE  
12 TYPE OF VEGETATION WHERE THE PRECIPITATION IS FALLING;  
13 TRUE?

14 A YES.

15 Q IT IS ALSO PARTIALLY DEPENDENT UPON WHETHER  
16 THE PLANTS ARE DORMANT OR ACTIVE, AN ACTIVE GROWING  
17 CYCLE WHEN THE PRECIPITATION FALLS; TRUE?

18 A THE -- NOT THE POTENTIAL -- POTENTIAL  
19 EVAPOTRANSPIRATION LIKE AT CIMIS STATIONS IS DEFINED  
20 WITH RESPECT TO WHAT THEY CALL A REFERENCE CROP; AND FOR  
21 ALL FOUR OF THESE STATIONS THAT REFERENCE CROP IS A -- I  
22 THINK A GRASS THAT IS FULLY COVERING, THAT IS 6-INCHES  
23 TALL OR SOMETHING LIKE THAT.

24 Q DO YOU KNOW WHAT KIND OF GRASS IT WAS?

25 A NO, IT IS MORE OF A THEORETICAL THING THAT  
26 THE -- THAT -- AND WHAT KIND OF COVER THE CIMIS DATA ARE  
27 INTENDED TO REPRESENT.

28 Q DOES THE EVAPOTRANSPIRATION DEPEND IN PART

1 ON WATER AVAILABILITY?

2 A NOW, WE ARE TALKING ABOUT ACTUAL OR  
3 POTENTIAL?

4 Q POTENTIAL EVAPOTRANSPIRATION?

5 A POTENTIAL DOES NOT DEPEND ON WATER  
6 AVAILABILITY.

7 Q DOES THE POTENTIAL EVAPOTRANSPIRATION DEPEND  
8 AT ALL ON WIND TRANSPORT OR HEAT?

9 A IT DOES.

10 Q DOES IT DEPEND AT ALL UPON HUMIDITY AND  
11 TEMPERATURE?

12 A IT DOES.

13 Q IF WE COULD PUT UP EXHIBIT 27, G27.  
14 MR. DURBIN, WHILE HE IS PUTTING IT UP ON THE SCREEN, YOU  
15 PRODUCED SOME PHOTOGRAPHS FOR AT TRIAL. DO YOU RECALL  
16 THOSE OF A STREAM? A COUPLE OF PHOTOGRAPHS OF A STREAM.  
17 YOU SAID ON DIRECT EXAMINATION THAT YOUR ASSISTANT --  
18 YOU HAD TAKEN THE PHOTOGRAPHS AND YOUR ASSISTANT WAS IN  
19 THE STREAM BED. DO YOU RECALL THAT?

20 A I DO, YES.

21 Q THOSE PHOTOGRAPHS OBVIOUSLY WERE TAKEN  
22 BEFORE YOUR DEPOSITION; CORRECT?

23 A NO, THEY WERE TAKEN WHEN WE WERE OUT IN THE  
24 FIELD.

25 Q WAS THAT BEFORE YOUR DEPOSITION?

26 A YES, IT WOULD BE A NUMBER OF YEARS AGO.

27 Q THOSE PHOTOGRAPHS WERE NOT PRODUCED AT THE  
28 TIME OF YOUR DEPOSITION; CORRECT?

1           A           I DIDN'T KNOW THAT.

2           Q           LET'S TALK ABOUT THE PHOTOGRAPHS FOR A  
3 MINUTE. WHAT YOU HAVE DONE THERE, I BELIEVE, IS YOU  
4 HAVE TAKEN A PICTURE OF A STREAM BED, AND YOU HAVE A RED  
5 ARROW ACROSS THE STREAM BED, AND YOU HAVE SOMETHING THAT  
6 SAYS ACTIVE WIDTH WRITTEN ACROSS THE TOP OF THAT ARROW;  
7 CORRECT?

8           A           CORRECT.

9           Q           YOU ARE DOING THAT TO ESTIMATE STREAM FLOW;  
10 IS THAT CORRECT?

11          A           NO, TO MEASURE -- WELL, ULTIMATELY TO  
12 ESTIMATE STREAMFLOW THROUGH THE -- TO A PARTICULAR  
13 RELATIONSHIP, BUT SIMPLY TO GATHER INFORMATION ON THAT  
14 WIDTH AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS IN THE FIELD.

15          Q           NOW WHAT IS THE EFFECT -- WE HAVE IT UP ON  
16 THE SCREEN NOW. WE HAVE THIS ACTIVE WIDTH. WHAT IS THE  
17 EFFECT IF WE HAD DRAWN THIS RED ARROW, LET'S SAY WE DREW  
18 IT WIDER, AND WE TOOK IT INTO ACCOUNT MORE OF THE ROCK  
19 AREA IN THIS STREAM BED THAN YOU HAVE INDICATED ON  
20 EXHIBIT G27, WHAT WOULD THE EFFECTS ON THE NATURAL  
21 RECHARGE NUMBERS BE?

22          A           NOW WITH THIS QUESTION, YOU ARE CHASING ALL  
23 THE WAY THROUGH TO ESTIMATING STREAMFLOW VERSUS SMALL  
24 WATERSHEDS ALL THE WAY TO THE END PRODUCT -- AND THAT IS  
25 THE QUESTION?

26          Q           WELL, LET'S SAY WITH THIS WATERSHED RIGHT  
27 HERE. IF THIS RED ARROW WAS WIRED, YOU TOOK INTO  
28 ACCOUNT MORE OF THE STREAM BED, WOULD THE WATER FLOWING

1 THROUGH THAT WATERSHED BE GREATER OR LESS?

2 A WHAT I MEASURED WOULD HAVE NO EFFECT ON WHAT  
3 WAS FLOWING THROUGH IT.

4 Q WITH THE CALCULATION OF NATURAL RECHARGE TO  
5 THE EXTENT THAT IT IS DEPENDENT ON WATER FROM THAT  
6 WATERSHED BE GREATER OR LESS?

7 A IT WOULD HAVE NO EFFECT.

8 Q SO WHY PUT THE ARROW ON HERE? WHY ARE YOU  
9 TRYING TO FIGURE OUT THE ACTIVE WIDTH OF THE STREAM  
10 CHANNEL?

11 A THE ACTIVE WIDTH -- WELL, I'M GOING TO HAVE  
12 TO SORT OF BACK UP AGAIN AND EXPLAIN HOW THIS  
13 INFORMATION WAS UTILIZED OR WHAT WORK PRODUCT CAME OUT  
14 OF IT. THE CHANNEL GEOMETRY MEASUREMENTS WERE DONE IN  
15 ORDER TO ULTIMATELY ESTIMATE STREAMFLOW FOR A COLLECTION  
16 OF SEVEN SMALL WATERSHEDS.

17 AND SO WE GO OUT IN THE FIELD AND MEASURE  
18 THIS WIDTH AND THEN AT A VARIETY OF SITES AND SITES  
19 WHERE THERE ARE ALREADY IS A STREAM GAUGING STATION SO  
20 WE KNOW THAT THERE IS A -- A SET OF WIDTHS AND A SET OF  
21 MEASURED STREAM FLOWS THAT GO TOGETHER. OUT OF THAT IS  
22 DEVELOPED A RELATIONSHIP.

23 NOW IF -- LET'S SAY THAT ALL -- WE DOUBLE  
24 ALL THE WIDTHS. SO WHAT WE MADE HERE RATHER THAN WHAT  
25 IS SHOWN IN HERE, WE MEASURED SOMETHING THAT IS TWICE AS  
26 WIDE WHICH IS GETTING A LITTLE BIT INTO THE REALM OF  
27 RIDICULOUSNESS; BUT WHEN THAT GOES INTO DEVELOPING THE  
28 RELATIONSHIP, THERE IS A CORRESPONDING ADJUSTMENT OF THE

1 RELATIONSHIP SO THAT FOR THAT DEFINITION OF THE ACTIVE  
2 WIDTH YOU REPRODUCE WHAT WAS MEASURED.

3 SO IN THE END AS LONG AS THERE'S A  
4 CONSISTENCY FROM AMONGST ALL THE MEASUREMENTS AT THE  
5 GAUGE SITES THE -- ALL THAT DOES -- AND WHETHER THAT  
6 CONSISTENCY IS TO HAVE A WIDER OR NARROWER CHANNELS END  
7 UP IN A SLIGHTLY DIFFERENT RELATIONSHIP.

8 BUT THE RELATIONSHIP PREDICTS EXACTLY THE  
9 SAME THING.

10 Q SO REGARDLESS OF HOW WIDE YOU DETERMINE THIS  
11 ACTUAL WIDTH TO BE WOULD HAVE NO BEARING ON YOUR  
12 ULTIMATE ANALYSIS OF NATURAL RECHARGE?

13 A WELL, "REGARDLESS" IS QUITE A BROAD TERM. I  
14 MEAN, IF RATHER THAN 20 FEET OR SO, I MADE IT A  
15 THOUSAND FEET, YES, I THINK IT WOULD HAVE SOME STRANGE  
16 EFFECTS ON THE RESULTS.

17 Q WELL, REGARDLESS OF THE QUANTIFICATION WHICH  
18 WE WON'T DO, WHAT WOULD THE RESULT BE IF IT WAS WIDER?

19 A I JUST EXPLAINED THAT; THAT THE RESULTS  
20 WOULD BE NO EFFECT.

21 Q SO IT WOULD HAVE NO EFFECT ON YOUR NATURAL  
22 RECHARGE NUMBERS AT ALL?

23 A WELL, CERTAINLY NO EFFECT ON THE NATURAL  
24 RECHARGE NUMBERS, AND IT ALSO WOULD HAVE NO EFFECT ON  
25 THE ESTIMATES OF STREAMFLOW FOR THESE SEVEN SMALL  
26 WATERSHEDS.

27 Q IN THE HARD COPY THAT I HAVE -- WERE ANY OF  
28 THESE PHOTOGRAPHS ENHANCED?



1           A           NO, THEY ARE JUST TAKEN WITH A DIGITAL  
2 CAMERA.

3           Q           IN THE HARD COPY I HAVE, IT ALMOST SHOWS A  
4 YELLOW COLORING HERE IN THE AREA BACK OF THE WIDTH; IT  
5 DOESN'T APPEAR WHEN YOU ACTUALLY PULL IT UP ON THE  
6 COMPUTER LIKE MR. KUHS IS LOOKING AT, THERE WASN'T ANY  
7 INTENTION OF ANY YELLOW COLORING THERE?

8           A           THERE WAS NOT.

9           Q           WE TAKE A LOOK AT EXHIBIT 64. NOW ON  
10 EXHIBIT 64, THIS CALIBRATION REACH THAT IS SHOWN HERE,  
11 WHATEVER THIS CALIBRATION REACH THAT IS SHOWN ON  
12 EXHIBIT 64, IT IS NOT ACCURATE TO DEPICT A CALIBRATION  
13 REACH OF WHAT YOU USED FOR PURPOSES OF YOUR CALCULATION;  
14 IS THAT TRUE?

15          A           NO, IT IS ACCURATE.

16          Q           I THOUGHT YOU SAID YOU ONLY USED A PART OF  
17 THIS CALIBRATION REACH, THE LOWER PLAYA LEVEL, I THINK  
18 IS THE WAY YOU DESCRIBED IT?

19          A           WHAT WAS THE LAST TERM YOU USED?

20          Q           I THOUGHT YOU SAID YOU ONLY USED THE PORTION  
21 OF IT THAT WAS ON THE PLAYA?

22          A           THE PLAYA IS WAY NORTH. I ONLY USED THE  
23 MOST NORTHERN PART OF WHAT IS LABELED AS THE "REACH,"  
24 CALIBRATION REACH AS THE PART OF THAT OVERALL REACH IN  
25 WHICH INFILTRATION CAN ACTUALLY OCCUR.

26                       THE CALIBRATION INVOLVED THE ROOTING THE  
27 STREAMFLOW FROM THE UPPER END OF THE REACH TO THE LOWER  
28 END OF THE REACH, BUT AGAIN TAKING INTO ACCOUNT IN THE

1 UPPER REACH THAT THERE WAS VERY LITTLE RECHARGE THAT  
2 WOULD -- OR CHANNEL LOSS THAT WOULD BE OCCURRING IN THAT  
3 AREA.

4 Q SO YOU ARE SAYING THIS IS THE CALIBRATION  
5 REACH THAT YOU LOOKED AT, BUT YOU DIDN'T CONSIDER THE  
6 UPPER PORTION OF IT BECAUSE YOU DIDN'T FEEL THERE WAS  
7 MUCH INFILTRATION THERE?

8 A WELL, I DID CONSIDER IT. I CONSIDERED IT AS  
9 AN AREA OF ZERO INFILTRATION.

10 Q YOU DIDN'T DO ANY TESTS TO DETERMINE THAT;  
11 CORRECT?

12 A WELL, EXAMINING THE STREAMFLOW RECORDS AND I  
13 THINK IT'S DESCRIBED IN MY EXPERT REPORT CAME TO THE  
14 CONCLUSION THAT EXCEPT FOR LOW STREAMFLOWS THAT THE  
15 FLOWS FROM THE BIG ROCK CREEK GAUGE MORE OR LESS  
16 TRANSLATED DOWNSTREAM WITHOUT LOSS TO THE PALLETT CREEK  
17 LOCATION.

18 Q LET'S TAKE A LOOK AT EXHIBIT 69. I THINK  
19 WHAT YOU ARE TELLING US IN SATELLITE IMAGES IN MORE  
20 LAYMAN TERMS IS THAT YOU WERE LOOKING AT SATELLITE  
21 IMAGES TO DETERMINE AREAS OF PLAYA FLOODING; TRUE?

22 A CORRECT.

23 Q YOU WERE DOING THAT BY SATELLITE IMAGE AND  
24 SOMEWHAT BY COLOR; CORRECT?

25 A WELL, IT IS MORE THAN JUST COLOR. I MEAN,  
26 ON THE IMAGES CERTAIN COLORS ARE DISPLAYED, BUT IT'S A  
27 LITTLE MORE DEPTH OF ANALYSIS THAN SIMPLY COLOR.

28 Q NOW, I ASSUME WHAT YOU ARE SAYING IS THAT

1 WHERE WATER GOES OUT ON TO THE PLAYA, YOU HAVE ASSUMED  
2 THERE IS NO RECHARGE IN THOSE AREAS, AND IT IS JUST  
3 EVAPORATING OFF?

4 A I DIDN'T ULTIMATELY ASSUME THAT. WELL, I  
5 WILL SAY THAT INITIALLY THAT WAS MY ASSUMPTION, BUT WHEN  
6 I EXAMINED PAIRS OF IMAGES FOR THE PLAYAS DURING THE  
7 SAME YEAR AND HOW THE VOLUME OF WATER DECREASED WITH  
8 TIME, AS I SAID IN MY DIRECT TESTIMONY THAT -- THAT THAT  
9 LOSS OF WATER EXPLAINED BY THE EVAPORATION RATE THAT  
10 WOULD APPLY ON THE PLAYA.

11 Q NOW THE IDEA IS THAT ON THE PLAYA WHEREVER  
12 THAT HAPPENS TO BE GEOLOGICALLY THE FINE-GRAINED  
13 MATERIALS THAT ACCUMULATE THERE PROVIDE LESS ABILITY FOR  
14 WATER TO PERCOLATE DOWN, WOULD THIS BE GENERALLY  
15 CORRECT?

16 A YES, THE FINER GRAINED -- THE FINER THE  
17 GRAINS AND THE SEDIMENT ARE THE LESS INFILTRATION  
18 CAPACITY IT MAY HAVE.

19 Q AND YOU DIDN'T DO ANY ACTUAL TESTS OF DOING  
20 ANY BORING TO -- OR A TEST TO SEE WHAT THE ACTUAL  
21 INFILTRATION LEVEL WAS ON THE PLAYA; TRUE?

22 A NO, ON THE ONLY THING THAT I DID WITH  
23 RESPECT TO GEOLOGY OF THE PLAYA, I LOCATED A PREVIOUS  
24 STUDY WHERE A NUMBER OF BORINGS HAVE BEEN DONE ON THE  
25 PLAYA SURFACE. AND WHILE THAT REPORT DOESN'T HAVE ANY  
26 INFILTRATION TESTS ASSOCIATED WITH IT, IT DOES DESCRIBE  
27 THE LITHOLOGY OF THE MATERIALS.

28 Q MY QUESTION WAS WHETHER YOU HAVE DONE IT?

1           A           I HAVE NOT DONE IT.  THE ONLY THING IS I DID  
2 WAS REFERENCE THIS OTHER WORK.

3           Q           THE AREA WHERE THE FINE-GRAINED MATERIALS  
4 ARE, THE PLAYA WHERE THIS EVAPORATION IS OCCURRING, THAT  
5 DOESN'T COVER THE WHOLE BASIN, RIGHT, OTHERWISE YOU  
6 WOULDN'T HAVE MUCH FARMING GOING ON.  THE FINE-GRAINED  
7 MATERIALS IN THE PLAYA ARE LIMITED TO CERTAIN AREAS OF  
8 THE BASIN; CORRECT?  THE FINE-GRAINED MATERIALS DON'T  
9 COVER THE ENTIRE BASIN; CORRECT?

10          A           IS THE QUESTION ABOUT THE SURFACE -- ON THE  
11 SURFACE?

12          Q           I'LL REPHRASE.  THE FINE-GRAINED MATERIALS  
13 FROM WHICH YOU ARE INDICATING EVAPORATION IS OCCURRING,  
14 THOSE FINE-GRAINED MATERIALS WHERE THIS EVAPORATION IS  
15 OCCURRING WHERE THE PLAYA FLOODING IS OCCURRING DOESN'T  
16 COVER THE ENTIRE SURFACE OF THE GROUNDWATER BASIN;  
17 CORRECT?

18          A           I WAS -- I WASN'T SURE WHETHER YOU WERE  
19 TALKING ABOUT SURFACE OR SUBSURFACE.  THAT'S WHY I WAS  
20 ASKING.  NO, IT DOES NOT.

21          Q           NOW, THERE ARE AREAS THAT DON'T HAVE THESE  
22 FINE-GRAINED MATERIALS THAT ARE BETWEEN THE MOUNTAINS  
23 WHERE THE RUNOFF OCCURS AND WHERE THE EVAPORATION  
24 OCCURS; RIGHT?

25          A           THAT THEY ARE COURSE-GRAINED MATERIALS,  
26 THAT'S THE QUESTION?

27          Q           RIGHT.

28          A           YES, YES.

1 Q AS A MATTER OF FACT BETWEEN WHERE THE  
2 MOUNTAINS ARE AND WHERE THE EVAPORATION TAKES PLACE,  
3 THERE IS A WHOLE WIDE VARIETY OF DIFFERENT MATERIALS IN  
4 BETWEEN THERE, CORRECT, WITH DIFFERENT PERMEABILITIES?

5 A CORRECT.

6 Q LET ME GO TO EXHIBIT G115. MR. DURBIN, YOU  
7 MADE A COMMENT DURING YOUR DIRECT EXAMINATION TESTIMONY,  
8 I BELIEVE, THAT YOU HAD VARYING NUMBERS IN TERMS OF  
9 STREAMFLOWS. AND I THINK THAT WAS BECAUSE -- STREAMFLOW  
10 GAUGES ARE LOCATED AT DIFFERENT LOCATIONS; RIGHT?

11 A SO THE QUESTION IS, DO DIFFERENT GAUGING  
12 SITES HAVE DIFFERENT FLOWS?

13 Q WELL, LET ME REPHRASE IT. DEPENDING UPON  
14 THE LOCATION OF A PARTICULAR STREAMFLOW GAUGE, IT MAY OR  
15 MAY NOT PICK UP FLOW FROM THE MOUNTAINS?

16 A IF THE WATERSHED EXTENDED INTO THE  
17 MOUNTAINS, IT WOULD BE MEASURING RUNOFF FROM THE  
18 MOUNTAINS; IF THE WATERSHED DIDN'T, IT WOULDN'T BE.

19 Q I WILL GIVE YOU AN EXAMPLE.

20 A OKAY.

21 Q ON EXHIBIT 115 YOU HAVE THIS BASE LOW, SEE  
22 THIS HERE. YOU HAVE GOT AN ARROW. WHAT THAT IS, THE  
23 WAY I UNDERSTAND IT IS WATER IS FLOWING ON THE  
24 MOUNTAINS, IT'S INFILTRATING IN THE BEDROCK AND IT'S  
25 MAKING ITS WAY TO THE SURFACE BEFORE IT REACHES THE  
26 PLAYA; CORRECT?

27 A YES. AND I THINK I'M UNDERSTANDING YOUR  
28 QUESTION NOW.

1 Q IT TAKES A WHILE. I'M NOT QUITE AS PRECISE  
2 AS MR. KUHS. WHAT I AM SAYING IS IF YOUR STREAMFLOW  
3 GAUGE IS ABOVE WHERE THIS BASE FLOW IS COMING OUT OR ANY  
4 WATER IS COMING OFF THE MOUNTAIN, IF THE PLACE WHERE THE  
5 WATER IS MAKING ITS WAY TO THE SURFACE IS BELOW THE  
6 STREAMFLOW GAUGE, THE STREAMFLOW GAUGE IS NOT GOING TO  
7 PICK IT UP; CORRECT?

8 A CORRECT. THE AMOUNT OF BASE FLOW THAT YOU  
9 MEASURE AT A SITE DEPENDS ON THE LOCATION OF THE SITE.

10 Q IF WE COULD GO TO EXHIBIT D30. IN THE  
11 ENTIRE ANTELOPE VALLEY, MR. DURBIN, HOW MANY STREAMFLOW  
12 GAUGES DID YOU RELY ON?

13 A YOU NEED AN EXACT NUMBER OR JUST  
14 APPROXIMATELY?

15 Q APPROXIMATELY WILL BE FINE.

16 A 15 OR 20, SOMETHING LIKE THAT.

17 Q I THOUGHT IT WAS D30. MAYBE I GOT IT  
18 LABELED INCORRECTLY. D AS IN DAVID. SO YOU SAID 15  
19 MAYBE?

20 A YES, I WOULD HAVE TO COUNT THEM ON THE --  
21 YOU KNOW, ON MY EXHIBIT TO BE SURE, LOOK AT ONE OF THE  
22 TABLES THAT IS NOT A NUMBER THAT I HAVE IN MY HEAD.

23 Q SO IN THE ENTIRE ANTELOPE VALLEY OUT OF ALL  
24 THESE STREAMS WE SEE DEPICTED HERE ON D30, YOU ONLY HAVE  
25 STREAMFLOW DATA FOR MAYBE 15?

26 A IF THAT IS THE CORRECT COUNT, YES.

27 MR. ZIMMER: THANK YOU, MR. DURBIN.

28 I HAVE NO FURTHER QUESTIONS, YOUR HONOR.

1 THE COURT: OKAY. I THINK WE'VE GOT ALL THE  
2 CROSS-EXAMINATIONS DONE. REDIRECT?

3  
4 REDIRECT EXAMINATION

5 BY MS. RILEY:

6 Q MR. DURBIN, GOOD AFTERNOON. AS A  
7 PRELIMINARY MATTER, YESTERDAY YOU POINTED OUT ERRORS ON  
8 THREE OF YOUR SLIDES, IS THAT CORRECT, ON SLIDES  
9 EXHIBITS G112, G120 AND G122 WHERE THERE WERE  
10 MISREPRESENTATIONS OF YOUR RECHARGE NUMBERS?

11 A CORRECT.

12 Q THANK YOU. IF THE COURT WILL ACCEPT THREE  
13 SUBSTITUTE SLIDES, WE HAVE MARKED THEM AS AMENDED AS OF  
14 FEBRUARY 15TH OF 2011, AND WE BROUGHT COPIES FOR  
15 COUNSEL. I BELIEVE THESE WERE ALL PROBABLY HAND  
16 CORRECTED BY THE PARTIES.

17 THE COURT: OKAY. WE CAN CERTAINLY ADD THEM IN.  
18 HAVE MR. DURBIN VERIFY.

19 MS. RILEY: THANK YOU.

20 MR. ZIMMER: JUST SO WE DO HAVE A COMPLETE RECORD  
21 OF WHAT HAPPENED AND A CHANGE, IT MIGHT BE HELPFUL TO  
22 HAVE ONE MARKED AS ORIGINAL SUCH-AND-SUCH A AND  
23 SUCH-AND-SUCH B.

24 THE COURT: LET'S HAVE THEM VERIFIED, AND WE WILL  
25 SEE WHAT HAPPENS.

26 BY MS. RILEY:

27 Q MR. DURBIN, IF YOU COULD TURN TO YOUR  
28 EXHIBIT BOOK AND PLEASE READ THE CHANGES ON EACH OF

1 THESE EXHIBITS?

2 A THE FIRST CHANGE IS ON EXHIBIT 112 AND IT'S  
3 -- ON THE VERY BOTTOM OF THE EXHIBIT WHERE THE  
4 RECHARGE -- OR THE CALCULATED YIELD VALUE IS STATED, IT  
5 WAS 65,000. NOW IT IS 68,000. THERE ARE SOME -- I  
6 BELIEVE AN EXHIBIT BEFORE AND AFTER THIS EXHIBIT THAT  
7 HAD THE 68, BUT THIS ONE HAD A TYPOGRAPHICAL ERROR THAT  
8 65 WAS ON HERE.

9 THE COURT: OKAY. YOU TESTIFIED TO THAT  
10 YESTERDAY.

11 MS. RILEY: THANK YOU, MR. DURBIN.

12 Q 68,000 REPRESENTS YOUR ACTUAL OPINION?

13 A THAT IS MY OPINION, YES.

14 Q THANK YOU.

15 A THE NEXT EXHIBIT IS 120 AND IS SIMPLY TO  
16 BRING THE CORRECTED 68,000 ON TO THIS EXHIBIT, AND THEN  
17 ON 122 IT IS THE SAME THING. THERE IS AN ADDITIONAL  
18 CORRECTION ON 122 IN THAT THE STANDARD ERROR I THINK ON  
19 THE ORIGINAL WAS STATED 11,000, ON HERE IT IS 13,000.

20 THE COURT: ALL RIGHT. THE WITNESS TESTIFIED TO  
21 THOSE ITEMS YESTERDAY. AND, IN FACT, I HAVE NOTES ON  
22 COPIES OF THE EXHIBITS TO THAT EFFECT. SO I THINK WHAT  
23 WE WILL DO IS JUST SUBSTITUTE -- NOT SUBSTITUTE, BUT ADD  
24 IN 112 WOULD BE 112A, AND 120 WOULD BE 120A, AND 122  
25 WOULD BE 122A. THAT WAY THE RECORD WILL BE CLEAR AS TO  
26 WHAT HAPPENED.

27 MS. RILEY: THANK YOU, YOUR HONOR. IF I MY  
28 APPROACH THE WITNESS TO MAKE THOSE CORRECTIONS?



1 THE COURT: YES.

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3 (CITY OF LOS ANGELES EXHIBIT G112A,  
4 G120A AND G122A MARKED.)

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6 MR. ZIMMER: WE WOULD STIPULATE TO DO THAT AT A  
7 LATER TIME OFF THE RECORD OR WHATEVER.

8 THE COURT: OKAY.

9 MR. SLOAN: YOUR HONOR, MAY I ASK THE "A"  
10 DESIGNATIONS WOULD BE THE CORRECTED VERSIONS?

11 THE COURT: YES -- ACTUALLY IF YOU WILL JUST HAND  
12 THOSE TO THE CLERK, SHE WILL TAKE CARE OF THEM FOR YOU.  
13 112, 120 AND 122.

14 MS. RILEY: I'LL -- I HAVE ADDED "A" TO EACH OF  
15 THOSE, AND I'LL HAND THEM TO THE CLERK.

16 THE COURT: THAT IS FINE.

17 BY MS. RILEY:

18 Q MR. DURBIN, IN ORDER TO CALCULATE THE  
19 STREAMFLOW OF THE SEVEN NONGAUGED STREAMS, DID YOU USE  
20 THE FORMULA SHOWN ON EXHIBIT G25?

21 A I DID.

22 Q IS THAT THE SAME FORMULA THAT APPEARS ON  
23 PAGE C11 OF THE SUMMARY EXPERT REPORT THAT YOU AUTHORED?

24 A IT IS.

25 Q THAT SECTION YOU AUTHORED. IS IT THE SAME  
26 FORMULA THAT WAS PREVIOUSLY SHOWN TO YOU BY MR. KUHS?

27 MR. ZIMMER: VAGUE AS TO FORMULA. WHAT FORMULA  
28 ARE WE TALKING ABOUT?

1 THE COURT: SUSTAINED. GO AHEAD AND CLARIFY.

2 BY MS. RILEY:

3 Q MR. DURBIN, IF YOU COULD LOOK AT EXHIBIT  
4 G25, COULD YOU PLEASE READ US THE FORMULA?

5 A EXHIBIT G25 IS THE SAME AS IS SHOWN ON THE  
6 SCREEN RIGHT NOW. AND THE BASIC FORMULA IS THAT THE  
7 DISCHARGE EQUALS THE ACTIVE CHANNEL WIDTH RAISED TO THE  
8 POWER OF B AND MULTIPLIED BY THE COEFFICIENT A.

9 Q THANK YOU. MR. DURBIN, IS THAT THE SAME  
10 FORMULA THAT WAS PREVIOUSLY SHOWN TO YOU BY MR. KUHS ON  
11 CROSS-EXAMINATION OF WHICH I BELIEVE IS CONTAINED IN  
12 EXHIBIT D33?

13 A AND THAT IS THE USGS WATER SUPPLIER PAPER  
14 2193?

15 Q YES. THAT'S THE STREAMFLOW CHARACTERISTICS  
16 RELATING TO CHANNEL GEOMETRY OF STREAMS IN WESTERN  
17 UNITED STATES?

18 A YES.

19 Q IS THIS THE SAME FORMULA THAT WAS SHOWN IN  
20 THE -- YOUR HONOR, I WOULD LIKE TO MARK AS NEXT IN ORDER  
21 FOR THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES WHAT APPEARS TO BE PAGE TWO  
22 OF THE ENTIRE REPORT OF PAGE -- EXHIBIT D33?

23 THE COURT: ALL RIGHT.

24 MS. RILEY: I HAVE A COUPLE -- TWO EXTRA COPIES I  
25 COULD HAND TO MR. KUHS TO SHARE WITH ... IF I MAY  
26 APPROACH THE WITNESS?

27 THE COURT: YES.

28 MS. RILEY: I BELIEVE THIS WILL BE EXHIBIT G123.

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(CITY OF LOS ANGELES EXHIBIT G123  
MARKED.)

BY MS. RILEY:

Q MR. DURBIN, LOOKING AT WHAT I HAVE JUST  
PLACED BEFORE YOU, THE EXHIBIT G123, IS THAT THE SAME  
FORMULA THAT YOU USED TO CALCULATE THE STREAMFLOW FOR  
THE UNGAUGED STREAMS?

A YES, THE EQUATION SECTION ON THE SHEET IS  
THE EQUATION THAT IS ON THE SCREEN AND THE EQUATION THAT  
I USED.

Q DID YOU FOLLOW THE SAME SCIENTIFIC METHOD TO  
COMPUTE THE COEFFICIENT AND THE EXPONENT IN THIS FORMULA  
AS THE AUTHORS OF PAPER -- YOU CALLED IT PAPER 2193  
WHICH IS EXHIBIT D33?

A YES, THAT GENERAL PROCEDURE INVOLVED  
COLLECTING DATA ON ACTIVE WIDTH THAT SITES WITH GAUGE  
STREAM GAUGING STATIONS AND DEVELOPING A RELATIONSHIP  
BETWEEN DISCHARGE AND WIDTH.

MR. ZIMMER: YOUR HONOR, COULD WE HAVE THAT READ  
BACK? I DIDN'T HEAR OR UNDERSTAND THE QUESTION AND  
ANSWER.

THE COURT: WHY DON'T WE START IT AGAIN. ASK YOUR  
QUESTION AGAIN.

BY MS. RILEY:

Q MR. DURBIN, DID YOU FOLLOW THE SAME  
SCIENTIFIC METHOD TO COMPUTE THE COEFFICIENT AND

1 EXPONENT IN THIS FORMULA AS THE AUTHORS OF PAPER 2193?

2 MR. ZIMMER: VAGUE.

3 THE COURT: OVERRULED.

4 THE WITNESS: YES, I DID, AND THAT -- AND VERY  
5 SUMMARY FORM WHERE THAT METHODOLOGY IS, IS TO COLLECT  
6 INFORMATION IN THE FIELD ON CHANNEL WIDTH, ADD STREAM  
7 GAUGING -- LOCATIONS WITH STREAM GAUGING STATIONS,  
8 DEVELOP -- AND THEN DEVELOP A RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN WIDTH  
9 AND DISCHARGE BASED ON THE WIDTH MEASUREMENT AND THE  
10 STREAM GAUGING DATA.

11 BY MS. RILEY:

12 Q AND DOES YOUR FORMULA WORK FOR ALL TYPES OF  
13 STREAMS IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY?

14 MR. ZIMMER: VAGUE AS TO WHAT FORMULA. YOUR  
15 FORMULA -- WE STILL HAVEN'T SEEN ANY FORMULAS.

16 THE COURT: YOU CAN CLARIFY.

17 BY MS. RILEY:

18 Q MR. DURBIN, CAN YOU EXPLAIN THE METHOD --  
19 THE SCIENTIFIC METHOD YOU FOLLOWED AND WHAT YOUR RESULT  
20 WAS FROM FOLLOWING THAT SCIENTIFIC METHOD?

21 A THE METHOD WAS --

22 MR. WILLIAM KUHS: MAY I OBJECT AT THIS POINT?

23 THE COURT: YOU CERTAINLY MAY OBJECT.

24 MR. WILLIAM KUHS: WELL, SHE WAS IN THE MIDDLE OF  
25 THE QUESTION, AND I DIDN'T KNOW WHETHER YOU WANTED THE  
26 QUESTION FINISHED.

27 THE COURT: LET HER FINISH SO THAT WE KNOW WHETHER  
28 IT SHOULD BE SUSTAINED OR IS AN OVERRULED OBJECTION.

1 MR. WILLIAM KUHS: MY OBJECTION IS IF THIS WITNESS  
2 IS NOW GOING TO DEVELOP A COEFFICIENT A AND B FOR THIS  
3 EQUATION WHICH HAS NOT BEEN DISCLOSED AT ANY TIME PRIOR  
4 TO TODAY, THEN, WE OBJECT ON THE BASIS THAT THIS WITNESS  
5 IS NOW PROPOSING TO MODIFY PRIOR OPINIONS, PRIOR REPORTS  
6 IN THE MIDDLE OF TRIAL.

7 THE COURT: OVERRULED.

8 BY MS. RILEY:

9 Q MR. DURBIN, WHAT WAS THE RESULT OF FOLLOWING  
10 THE SCIENTIFIC METHOD?

11 A SO WE ARE ASKING ABOUT -- WHAT WAS THE FINAL  
12 RESULTS? THERE WERE TWO RESULTS: ONE WAS A -- THE  
13 RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE ACTIVE CHANNEL DISCHARGE  
14 DEVELOPED FROM THE GAUGING STATIONS.

15 AND THEN THE APPLICATION OF THAT  
16 RELATIONSHIP TO SOME UNGAUGED WATERSHEDS WITHIN ANTELOPE  
17 VALLEY TO ESTIMATE THE STREAMFLOW FOR THOSE WATERSHEDS.  
18 THOSE RESULTS ARE SHOWN IN TABLES WITH RESPECT TO THE  
19 PARTICULAR ESTIMATED VALUES FOR THE WATERSHEDS, AND THEY  
20 ARE ALSO SHOWN ON A SCATTER DIAGRAM REPRESENTING HOW  
21 WELL THE RELATIONSHIP I DEVELOPED FIT THE MEASURED  
22 STREAMFLOWS.

23 Q AND DID THE RELATIONSHIP YOU DEVELOPED, WAS  
24 IT APPLICABLE TO ALL OF THE STREAMS IN THE ANTELOPE  
25 VALLEY?

26 A YES.

27 MR. WILLIAM KUHS: VAGUE AS TO THE RELATIONSHIP  
28 BECAUSE THE RELATIONSHIP HASN'T BEEN DESCRIBED.

1 MR. JOYCE: OR ESTABLISHED.

2 THE COURT: OVERRULED.

3 MS. RILEY: THANK YOU.

4 THE WITNESS: THE -- WHAT IS DEMONSTRATED BY THE  
5 SCATTER DIAGRAM IS THAT -- WHILE THERE ARE A VARIETY OF  
6 WATERSHEDS WITH RESPECT TO SIZES AND OTHER  
7 CHARACTERISTICS, THE SAME RELATIONSHIP FITS THE OBSERVED  
8 STREAMFLOWS WELL, AND ON THAT SCATTER DIAGRAM I THINK  
9 THE "R" SQUARED VALUE IS SOMETHING LIKE .9, SO THE  
10 RELATIONSHIP IS AS EXPLAINING --

11 Q COULD YOU POINT US TO THAT EXHIBIT, THE  
12 SCATTER DIAGRAM?

13 A THE SCATTER DIAGRAM IS EXHIBIT 29 AND I'M  
14 CORRECT THAT ACTUALLY OUR SQUARED VALUE IS .99 SO THE  
15 RELATIONSHIP EXPLAINS 99 PERCENT OF THE VARIABILITY IN  
16 THE OVERALL SET OF DATA. AND, AGAIN, THESE VARIOUS  
17 POINTS INCLUDE WATERSHEDS AND STREAMS WITH VARIOUS  
18 CHARACTERISTICS AND -- BUT THEY ARE -- THERE'S A SINGLE  
19 RELATIONSHIP THAT IS APPLICABLE TO ALL OF THEM.

20 MR. JOYCE: YOUR HONOR, COULD WE HAVE THAT EXHIBIT  
21 NUMBER AGAIN?

22 THE COURT: WHICH ONE?

23 MR. JOYCE: THE SCATTER DIAGRAM.

24 THE COURT: 29.

25 MR. JOYCE: THANK YOU, YOUR HONOR.

26 THE COURT: G29.

27 BY MS. RILEY:

28 Q MR. DURBIN, WHY DIDN'T YOU SIMPLY APPLY THE

1 COEFFICIENT AND EXPONENT THAT ARE SHOWN IN THE PAPER  
2 2193?

3 A BECAUSE THOSE EXPONENTS AND COEFFICIENTS  
4 WERE -- REPRESENT BROAD GENERALIZATIONS OF THE WESTERN  
5 UNITED STATES, AND I THINK -- I THINK IN ONE OF THE  
6 QUESTIONS FROM MR. JOYCE AND IN LOOKING AT THE RESULTS  
7 OF THE USGS STUDY THAT THE CENTERED ERROR WAS QUITE  
8 HIGH, VARIED FROM THAT PARTICULAR TABLE THAT I WAS --  
9 THAT HE POINTED OUT FROM 28 TO 75 PERCENT, AND SO I -- I  
10 EMBARKED ON DEVELOPING A RELATIONSHIP THAT APPLIED JUST  
11 TO THE ANTELOPE VALLEY BECAUSE OF HOW ROUGH THESE  
12 REGIONAL RELATIONSHIPS WERE.

13 Q AND OF YOUR OVERALL CALCULATION OF  
14 STREAMFLOW FOR STREAMS IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY, WHAT  
15 PERCENTAGE OF STREAMS WERE CALCULATED USING THIS  
16 METHODOLOGY?

17 A REMEMBERING THAT AT THIS METHODOLOGY WAS  
18 USED TO ESTIMATE STREAMFLOW FOR SEVEN SMALL WATERSHEDS  
19 AND THE ESTIMATED FLOWS FROM THOSE WATERSHEDS REPRESENTS  
20 ABOUT 4 PERCENT OF THE STREAMFLOW MEASURED AT ACTUALLY  
21 USGS SITES AROUND THE -- AROUND THE VALLEY.

22 Q ALL RIGHT. EARLIER MR. ZIMMER ASKED YOU  
23 ABOUT EXHIBIT 27 WHICH SHOWED A PHOTOGRAPH OF SOMEONE  
24 OUT IN THE STREAM. WAS THAT INTENDED BY YOU TO BE  
25 ANYTHING OTHER THAN A DEMONSTRATION OF HOW YOU TOOK  
26 CHANNEL GEOMETRY MEASUREMENTS?

27 A YES. IT DOESN'T IN ANY WAY RELATE TO MY --  
28 THE OPINIONS THAT I DEVELOPED. IT WAS SIMPLY TO PROVIDE

1 A GRAPHIC THAT DISPLAYS WHAT I WOULD HAVE SAID IN WORDS  
2 OTHERWISE.

3 Q PRIOR TO YOUR TESTIMONY DURING  
4 CROSS-EXAMINATION YESTERDAY BY MR. KUHS, WERE YOU EVER  
5 ASKED TO PROVIDE THE COEFFICIENT OR EXPONENT FOR THE  
6 CHANNEL GEOMETRY MEASUREMENTS?

7 A I WAS NOT.

8 Q MOVING TO --

9 MR. WILLIAM KUHS: OBJECT AS INCONSISTENT WITH HIS  
10 PRIOR TESTIMONY THAT IT WAS ASKED TO PRODUCE ALL HIS  
11 CALCULATIONS OF WORK PAPERS.

12 THE COURT: WELL, HAVE YOU HAD -- I'M SORRY. I  
13 UNDERSTAND YOUR ARGUMENT, BUT OVERRULED.  
14 BY MS. RILEY:

15 Q MR. DURBIN, STARTING WITH YOUR  
16 CROSS-EXAMINATION YESTERDAY, STARTING WITH MR. FIFE, YOU  
17 WERE ASKED SEVERAL QUESTIONS REGARDING YOUR DECISION TO  
18 UTILIZE ONLY AREAS THAT RECEIVED MORE THAN 8-INCHES OF  
19 PRECIPITATION. DO YOU REMEMBER THAT?

20 A I DO.

21 Q COULD I ASK YOU TO TURN TO YOUR EXPERT  
22 REPORT APPENDIX C OF THE -- I BELIEVE IT IS EXHIBIT  
23 SCALMANINI 101 UNDER THE HEADING OF SECTION C.3.0

24 A WHAT IS THE PAGE?

25 Q IT IS PAGE 19.

26 A 19.

27 Q COULD I ASK YOU TO LOOK AT THE SECOND FULL  
28 PARAGRAPH ON THAT PAGE STARTING WITH THE SENTENCE "IS



1 BICKEY" -- DO YOU SEE THAT?

2 A YES, AND ABOUT SIX LINES DOWN.

3 Q THANK YOU. COULD YOU READ THAT AND THE  
4 FOLLOWING SENTENCE?

5 A "IS BICKY AND OTHERS 2000 CONCLUDED FROM MY  
6 STUDY WITHIN THE WESTERN MOJAVE DESERT THAT RECHARGE DID  
7 NOT OCCUR WHEN THE AVERAGE ANNUAL PRECIPITATION IS  
8 7-INCHES. DETTINGER IN 1989 STUDY REGIONAL GROUNDWATER  
9 RECHARGE IS BICKY" --

10 THE REPORTER: OKAY. SORRY, MR. DURBIN, BUT YOU  
11 NEED TO SLOW DOWN WHEN YOU'RE READING, PLEASE.

12 MR. ZIMMER: THIS IS HEARSAY.

13 THE COURT: WELL, IF IT IS -- IT IS FROM HIS  
14 REPORT.

15 MR. ZIMMER: I UNDERSTAND, BUT WHAT IS IT BEING  
16 OFFERED FOR? IT IS CUMULATIVE AND HEARSAY.

17 MR. DUNN: THE EVIDENCE CODE SECTION 356 ALLOWS  
18 THIS WITNESS TO TAKE A PREVIOUS SENTENCE FROM HIS REPORT  
19 AND PUT IT IN CONTEXT WITH THE REPORT ITSELF.

20 THE COURT: WELL, SOMETIMES.

21 MR. ZIMMER: IF THE REPORT IS IN EVIDENCE.

22 THE COURT: HAS THIS BEEN TESTIFIED TO PREVIOUSLY?

23 THE WITNESS: THIS GENERAL TOPIC HAS BEEN  
24 TESTIFIED TO, I THINK, THAT --

25 THE COURT: MISS RILEY, WHY DON'T YOU GIVE ME AN  
26 OFFER OF PROOF.

27 MS. RILEY: MR. FIFE QUESTIONED HIM EXTENSIVELY  
28 ABOUT DIFFERENT STUDIES THAT HAVE TAKEN PLACE DEALING

1 WITH PRECIPITATION AND ASKING HIM WHY HE DIDN'T CHOOSE A  
2 LOWER THRESHOLD.

3 THE COURT: MAYBE YOU CAN GO DIRECTLY TO THAT  
4 QUESTION.

5 MS. RILEY: I WILL. THANK YOU, YOUR HONOR.

6 Q MR. DURBIN, YOU REVIEWED LITERATURE BEFORE  
7 YOU DETERMINED THAT 8-INCHES WOULD BE THE THRESHOLD FOR  
8 PRECIPITATION IN YOUR NATURAL RECHARGE STUDIES; CORRECT?

9 A I DID.

10 Q AND IN ANY OF THE LITERATURE THAT YOU  
11 REVIEWED, DID YOU FIND ANY SUPPORT FOR UTILIZING A  
12 PARAMETER OF LESS THAN 8-INCHES TO -- LESS THAN  
13 8-INCHES?

14 A I DID NOT.

15 Q THANK YOU. MOVING ON, YOU WERE PREVIOUSLY  
16 ASKED TO REVIEW, TO LOOK AT EXHIBITS D41 AND D42. D AS  
17 IN DOG. THERE WERE TWO REPORTS. DID YOU RELY UPON  
18 EITHER ONE OF THESE REPORTS IN FORMING YOUR CONCLUSION  
19 ON PLAYA FLOODING?

20 A I DID NOT.

21 Q AND DO YOU -- DO YOU FIND THAT EXHIBIT D41  
22 IS APPLICABLE TO YOUR WORK ON PLAYA FLOODING?

23 A IT IS NOT.

24 Q WHY NOT?

25 A THE -- A FEW THINGS ABOUT THESE REPORTS.  
26 FIRST OF ALL, THE FLOODING ON THE PLAYA IS NOT THE  
27 RESULT OF A SINGLE STORM IN A YEAR. IT IS TYPICALLY AN  
28 ACCUMULATION OF FLOODING THAT OCCURS FROM A -- A SERIES

1 OR A NUMBER OF STORMS THAT OCCUR DURING THE FALL, WINTER  
2 AND SPRING OF THE PARTICULAR YEAR OF INTEREST. THESE  
3 REPORTS JUST LOOK AT A SINGLE HYPOTHETICAL EVENT,  
4 24-HOUR PRECIPITATION EVENT, THAT HAVE A TURN PERIOD OF  
5 100 YEARS.

6 ONE OF THE ELEMENTS OF BOTH OF THESE REPORTS  
7 IS A CALCULATION OF CHANNEL LOSSES FROM THE MOUNTAIN  
8 FRONT DOWN TO THE PLAYA AND IN CONTRAST WITH THE WORK  
9 THAT I DID THE -- THOSE CALCULATIONS ARE ENTIRELY  
10 THEORETICAL AND ARE NOT BASED ON INFORMATION PARTICULAR  
11 TO ANTELOPE VALLEY.

12 AND THEN THE FINAL POINT THAT I WOULD MAKE  
13 IS THAT DURING CROSS-EXAMINATION THERE IS -- IT WAS  
14 EXHIBIT D43, OR I SEE AN "X" WRITTEN ON HERE. IS IT  
15 DX43 OR D43, OR MAYBE MR. KUHS THAT WASN'T --

16 Q I BELIEVE IT'S D43.

17 A THERE IS AN X ON HERE. I WAS CONFUSED BY  
18 THAT. SO ON EXHIBIT D43 WHICH IS A SUMMARY OF THE  
19 RESULTS OF THESE TWO REPORTS ON THIS EXHIBIT IT SHOWS  
20 ABOUT 57,000 ACRE-FEET OF RECHARGE, OR NOT RECHARGE, BUT  
21 FLOODING THAT OCCURS ON THE -- ON THE PLAYA.

22 Q MR. DURBIN, COULD I INTERRUPT YOU? MY  
23 QUESTION SPECIFICALLY ASKED HOW EXHIBIT D41 WAS  
24 INAPPLICABLE TO YOUR WORK ON PLAYA FLOODING. THE  
25 REASONS THAT YOU HAVE JUST GIVEN US ARE EQUALLY  
26 APPLICABLE TO WHY D42 WAS NOT APPLICABLE TO YOUR WORK?

27 A YES. THE SAME CONSIDERATIONS APPLY TO BOTH  
28 REPORTS.

1 Q OKAY. GO AHEAD.

2 A BUT, ANYWAY, ON EXHIBIT D43 THE --

3 MR. WILLIAM KUHS: I OBJECT. THERE IS NO QUESTION  
4 PENDING WITH RESPECT TO D43.

5 THE COURT: WELL, HE WAS IN THE PROCESS OF  
6 EXPLAINING WHY THAT WAS NOT APPLICABLE TO HIM. WE'LL  
7 LET HIM FINISH DOING THAT.

8 MR. WILLIAM KUHS: OKAY.

9 THE WITNESS: SO AGAIN ON D43 THE SUMMARY RESULT  
10 FROM THE EXHIBIT 42 WORK ARE -- D42 WORK IS 100-YEAR  
11 FLOODING OF ABOUT 57,000 ACRE-FEET PER YEAR; AND  
12 PRESUMABLY THIS WOULD BE AN EVENT THAT WOULD OCCUR ONCE  
13 IN 100 YEARS ON THE AVERAGE.

14 NOW THAT VALUE IS -- INCLUDES FLOODING  
15 FROM NOW D43 FLOODING FROM ALL SOURCES WHETHER IT BE THE  
16 MOUNTAIN, RAINFALL, PLAYA OR LOCALLY. AS MATTER OF FACT  
17 ON THIS PARTICULAR VENUE, IT GIVES SOME PERCENTAGE OF  
18 CONTRIBUTION FROM THE MOUNTAIN VERSUS THE TOTAL.

19 NOW IF YOU LOOK AT EXHIBIT G70 WHICH  
20 REPRESENTS THE LEVEL OF FLOODING THAT WAS ON THE PLAYA  
21 IN 1993, THE PLAYA FLOODING THEN WAS 54,000 ACRE-FEET.  
22 SO VERY CLOSE TO WHAT THE WORK IN EXHIBIT D43 WOULD  
23 PREDICT TO BE ONE IN 100-YEAR EVENT.

24 Q WHY IS THAT SIGNIFICANT?

25 A WELL, THE SIGNIFICANCE IS THAT -- NOW IN  
26 2005 IF WE GO TO EXHIBIT G79 THE FLOODING ON THE PLAYA  
27 IS 62,000 ACRE-FEET PER YEAR. SO WITH JUST THE ANALYSIS  
28 OF THESE TWO IMAGES OR TWO SETS OF IMAGES IN A 15-YEAR

1 PERIOD WE HAVE TWO EVENTS THAT ARE SUPPOSED TO BE --  
2 THAT ARE SIMILAR TO WHAT IS REPRESENTED ON D43 AS  
3 SOMETHING THAT WILL OCCUR ONCE IN 100 YEARS.

4 AND SO THERE IS A INCONSISTENCY THERE WITH  
5 HOW RARE THE -- SUCH FLOODING EVENTS ARE AND BRINGS INTO  
6 SIGNIFICANT QUESTION THE APPLICABILITY OF THESE TWO  
7 REPORTS, EXHIBITS D41 AND D42, TO THE WORK THAT I HAVE,  
8 BUT THEN THERE'S ALL THE PREVIOUS THINGS THAT I JUST  
9 MENTIONED THAT INDICATE THAT IT IS -- THIS IS NOT WORK  
10 TO BE COMPARED WITH MINE, AND THERE IS A VARIETY OF  
11 REASONS WHY IT SHOULDN'T.

12 Q AND YOU DID NOT RELY ON IT?

13 A I DID NOT RELY UPON IT.

14 Q THANK YOU. MR. MCLACHLAN HAD A QUESTION FOR  
15 YOU RELATING TO EXHIBIT G16, AND I AM GOING TO FORGET  
16 THE NUMBER, F5, AND HE BROUGHT UP EXHIBIT F5 WHICH IS  
17 TABLE C.2 LETTER O, AND ASK YOU WHY THE TWO NUMBERS WERE  
18 INCONSISTENT. DO YOU RECALL THAT?

19 A WHY THE GRAPH AND THE TABLE ARE  
20 INCONSISTENT?

21 Q YES. AND MY QUESTION IS IN RESPONSE TO  
22 MR. MCLACHLAN. YOU SAID THAT YOU HAD PROVIDED THE DATA  
23 THAT WENT INTO MAKING THIS GRAPH TO COUNSEL AT YOUR  
24 DEPOSITION; IS THAT CORRECT?

25 A THAT'S CORRECT.

26 Q WAS THE DATA THAT YOU PROVIDED TO COUNSEL  
27 ALSO THE DATA THAT YOU USED TO CREATE THE PRECIPITATION  
28 MAPS?

1 A IT WAS.

2 MS. RILEY: THANK YOU. I HAVE NO FURTHER  
3 QUESTIONS.

4 THE COURT: IS THERE ANYTHING ELSE OF THIS  
5 WITNESS?

6 MR. WILLIAM KUHS: I HAVE SOME.

7 THE COURT: OKAY. THIS IS RECROSS-EXAMINATION.

8 MR. WILLIAM KUHS: YES.

9 THE COURT: IN NEW MATTERS. GO AHEAD.

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11 RECROSS-EXAMINATION

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13 BY MR. WILLIAM KUHS:

14 Q WE PUT UP ON THE SCREEN WHAT I UNDERSTAND TO  
15 BE G25. THIS IS THE EQUATION, MR. DURBIN, WE TALKED  
16 ABOUT IT A LITTLE BIT. NOW IN YOUR REDIRECT  
17 EXAMINATION, YOU TALKED ABOUT A RELATIONSHIP BASED ON  
18 CHANNEL GEOMETRY MEASUREMENTS. WE HAVE AN EQUATION ON  
19 THE BOARD  $2 \text{ EQUALS } A \text{ W } B$ . AND AM I STILL CORRECT THAT  
20 AS OF THIS MOMENT, 2:45 ON WEDNESDAY, THIS DAY, IN  
21 FEBRUARY, YOU STILL HAVE NOT TOLD ANY OF US OR THE COURT  
22 WHAT "A" IS IN THE EQUATION OR IDENTIFIED THE "W" FOR  
23 EACH OF THE PARTICULAR WATER FORCES OR IDENTIFIED THE  
24 "B" WHICH IS THE EXPONENT SO THAT ANYONE IN THIS  
25 COURTROOM OR ANY EXPERT OUTSIDE THIS COURTROOM CAN CHECK  
26 WHETHER OR NOT THIS RELATIONSHIP OR THESE CALCULATIONS  
27 SHED ANY LIGHT ON STREAMFLOWS, ANNUAL STREAMFLOWS FROM  
28 SMALL WATER FORCES?

1 MR. WEEKS: OBJECTION. ARGUMENTATIVE.

2 THE COURT: SUSTAINED.

3 BY MR. WILLIAM KUHS:

4 Q HAVE YOU TOLD US YET WHAT "A" IS?

5 MR. WEEKS: OBJECTION. ARGUMENTATIVE.

6 THE COURT: SUSTAINED.

7 MR. WILLIAM KUHS: YOUR HONOR.

8 THE COURT: IT IS TO THE FORM OF THE QUESTION.

9 MR. WILLIAM KUHS: SAY AGAIN?

10 THE COURT: IT IS TO THE FORM OF THE QUESTION.

11 BY MR. WILLIAM KUHS:

12 Q DO YOU KNOW WHAT "A" IS?

13 A I DO NOT.

14 Q DO YOU KNOW WHAT "B" IS?

15 A I DO NOT.

16 Q DOES ANYONE KNOW WHAT "A" IS?

17 MR. WEEKS: OBJECTION. CALLS FOR SPECULATION.

18 BY MR. WILLIAM KUHS:

19 Q DO YOU KNOW OF ANYONE WHO KNOWS WHAT "A" IS?

20 A I DON'T.

21 Q DO YOU KNOW OF ANYONE WHO KNOWS WHAT "B" IS?

22 A I DO NOT.

23 Q DO YOU KNOW OF ANYONE WHO KNOWS WHAT "W" IS?

24 A I DO NOT.

25 Q NOW WITH RESPECT TO FLOODING OF PLAYAS, YOU

26 SAID THAT USUALLY OCCURS WHEN A SERIES OF STORMS AS

27 DISTINGUISHED FROM ONE STORM, OR WORDS TO THAT EFFECT.

28 HAVE YOU MADE ANY ANALYSIS SO THAT YOU CAN IDENTIFY BY

1 MONTH AND YEAR THE SERIES OF STORMS THAT MAY HAVE  
2 RESULTED IN ANY PLAYA FLOODING IN ANY OF THE YEARS WHERE  
3 YOU HAVE LOOKED AT SATELLITE IMAGING?

4 A GONE THROUGH DAY BY DAY EXAMINATION OF FROM  
5 FLOOD THAT MIGHT OCCUR, IS THAT SORT OF WHAT THE  
6 QUESTION IS?

7 Q WELL, LET ME REPHRASE IT. WHAT'S THE BASIS  
8 OF YOUR STATEMENT THAT IT IS A SERIES OF STORMS THAT  
9 CAUSE THAT PLAYA FLOODING?

10 A FIRST OF ALL, I DIDN'T MEAN THAT IT WAS  
11 EXCLUSIVELY, IT CAN BE A SINGLE STORM OR A SERIES OF  
12 STORMS THAT CAUSES IT, BUT IT IS MORE -- BUT WHEN YOU  
13 CONSIDER MORE THAN JUST ONE HYPOTHETICAL FLOOD EVENT.  
14 AND SO IT'S THE TOTALITY OF WHAT HAPPENS OVER THE WINTER  
15 TIME THAT ULTIMATELY DETERMINES THE LEVEL OF FLOODING.

16 NOW I HAD NOT IN INDIVIDUAL YEARS GONE IN TO  
17 ASSESS AND ACCOUNT HOW MANY LOCALIZED EVENTS MAY HAVE  
18 BEEN THE -- BEEN THE CAUSE OF THE FLOODING IN PARTICULAR  
19 YEARS.

20 Q OKAY. WELL, FOR EXAMPLE, IF ONE OF THE  
21 SERIES OF SATELLITE IMAGES THAT YOU PUT UP WAS FOR THE  
22 YEAR 2005; CORRECT?

23 A IT WAS.

24 Q AND THE YEAR 2005 WAS A BIG YEAR, WASN'T IT,  
25 IN TERMS OF WATERSHED -- WATER FLOW?

26 A WELL, BASED ON THE AMOUNT OF FLOODING, I  
27 PRESUME IT WAS, BUT WITHOUT REFERRING TO THE SPECIFIC --

28 Q IF WE WENT TO YOUR TABLE 28 -- AND I DON'T



1 RECALL THE EXHIBIT NUMBER. IT IS A "D" EXHIBIT NUMBER,  
2 BUT TABLE C28 WHERE YOU DEDUCT A PLAYA FLOODING AND  
3 ULTIMATELY DETERMINED NATURAL RECHARGE THAT THE LARGEST  
4 PLAYA FLOODING THAT YOU HAD WAS IN THE YEAR 2005; IS  
5 THAT TRUE?

6 A I -- NOW IF YOU WANT ME TO BE SURE I NEED TO  
7 GO LOOK AT A TABLE, BUT IF THAT IS -- IF YOU WILL  
8 REPRESENT TO ME THAT THAT IS WHAT IN FACT IS ON THE  
9 TABLE I WOULDN'T DISAGREE WITH IT.

10 Q WELL, IN ANY EVENT, 2005 WAS A BIG WATER  
11 YEAR IN TERMS OF PLAYA FLOODING, WOULD YOU AGREE WITH  
12 THAT STATEMENT?

13 A IT SOUNDS LIKE I BETTER LOOK AT THE TABLE.

14 Q WELL, DO YOU HAVE D39 HANDY? AND I THINK  
15 YOU ARE CORRECT. LET'S LOOK AT SOME NUMBERS?

16 A YES.

17 Q ON D39 IN 2005 YOU ATTRIBUTED 74,500  
18 ACRE-FEET OF WATERSHED RUNOFF TO PLAYA FLOODING;  
19 CORRECT?

20 A YES.

21 Q THE ONLY BIGGER YEAR WITH REFERENCE TO  
22 EXHIBIT D39 WOULD BE 1978 WHERE YOU ATTRIBUTED -- THE  
23 ONLY BIGGER YEAR WITH REFERENCE TO EXHIBIT D39 WOULD BE  
24 THE YEAR 1978 WHERE YOU ATTRIBUTED 112,200 ACRE-FEET OF  
25 PLAYA FLOODING; CORRECT?

26 A CORRECT.

27 Q NOW, YOU DON'T KNOW WHETHER IN THE YEAR 2005  
28 THE PLAYA FLOODING THAT YOU SAW OR THAT YOU OBSERVED BY

1 EXAMINATION OF SATELLITE IMAGES WAS ATTRIBUTABLE TO ONE  
2 STORM EVENT OR A SERIES OF STORMS; IS THAT TRUE?

3 MR. DUNN: OBJECTION. BEYOND THE SCOPE OF  
4 REDIRECT.

5 THE COURT: WELL, IT SEEMS TO ME WE ARE COVERING  
6 GROUNDS THAT HAS BEEN COVERED AT LEAST THREE TIMES.

7 MR. WILLIAM KUHS: DURING REDIRECT THE WITNESS,  
8 YOUR HONOR, TESTIFIED THAT THE PLAYA FLOODING WAS  
9 ATTRIBUTABLE TO A SERIES OF STORMS, AND I'M ASKING THIS  
10 WITNESS, DOES HE KNOW THAT IT WAS ATTRIBUTABLE IN THE  
11 YEARS EXAMINED TO A SERIES OF STORMS OR TO ONE EVENT.

12 MR. DUNN: FURTHER OBJECTION. ASKED AND ANSWERED.

13 THE COURT: I'M GOING TO LET HIM ANSWER IT, BUT  
14 ESSENTIALLY HE HAS TOLD US THAT IT DOESN'T MAKE ANY  
15 DIFFERENCE IN HIS OPINION WHETHER A SINGLE STORM OR A  
16 SERIES OF STORMS OR -- ARE EVENLY DISTRIBUTED OVER THE  
17 ENTIRE MONTH. THAT IS HIS OPINION.

18 MR. WILLIAM KUHS: I'LL STIPULATE THAT HE DOESN'T  
19 KNOW WHETHER IT WAS A SERIES OF STORMS, AND WE CAN MOVE  
20 ON.

21 THE COURT: GOOD.

22 BY MR. WILLIAM KUHS:

23 Q NOW YOU ALSO TESTIFIED ON REDIRECT THAT WITH  
24 RESPECT TO EXHIBITS D41 AND D42, THE TWO STUDIES THAT  
25 WERE DONE BY FRENCH AND OTHERS, THAT FOR CHANNEL LOSSES  
26 THEY USED A THEORETICAL ANALYSIS FOR CHANNEL LOSSES  
27 WHICH ARE NOT BASED ON INFORMATION IN ANTELOPE VALLEY.

28 DO YOU RECALL THAT TESTIMONY?

1           A           I DO.

2           Q           I TAKE IT THAT YOU DISAGREE WITH THE  
3           METHODOLOGY THAT THOSE INVESTIGATORS USED TO CALCULATE  
4           CHANNEL LOSSES?

5           A           I'M NOT SURE THAT I AGREE OR DISAGREE WITH  
6           THE METHODOLOGY. WHAT I WOULD BE CONCERNED ABOUT AND AS  
7           THE SATELLITE IMAGE COMPARISON SUGGESTS IS THAT THE  
8           NUMERICAL VALUES THAT THEY PUT INTO THEIR CHANNEL LOSS  
9           RELATIONSHIP SOMEHOW WASN'T APPROPRIATE BECAUSE WE SEE  
10          FLOODS OF THE MAGNITUDE THAT THEY DESCRIBE AS 100 YEAR  
11          OCCURRING RELATIVELY FREQUENTLY.

12          Q           WELL, THAT COULD BE BECAUSE THEY APPEAR  
13          RELATIVELY FREQUENTLY COULD BE A RESULT OF TWO THINGS;  
14          CORRECT? IT COULD BE, NUMBER ONE, A SERIES OF STORMS AS  
15          DISTINGUISHED FROM ONE EVENT WHICH YOU TESTIFIED TO;  
16          CORRECT?

17          A           NO, IT IS UNRELATED TO THAT ISSUE. I MEAN I  
18          FIND THAT A DEFICIENCY IN THEIR FLOODING ANALYSIS THAT  
19          THEY CONSIDER ONE 24-HOUR EVENT AND DON'T CONSIDER THE  
20          WIDER POPULATION OF STORMS.

21                    AND THEIR METHODOLOGY THEY HAVE TO DEAL WITH  
22          THE DETAILS OF WHAT HAPPENED IN MY METHODOLOGY. THAT IS  
23          NOT THE CASE.

24          Q           YOU DON'T DEAL WITH DETAILS WHEN YOU ARE  
25          DOING AN EMPIRICAL PROCESS; CORRECT?

26          A           IN MANY OF THE WORK THAT I HAVE DESCRIBED  
27          OVER THE LAST FEW DAYS, THERE WAS NO NECESSITY  
28          WHATSOEVER TO DEAL WITH TIME SCALES OF A DAY OR LESS

1 THAN A DAY. BUT IN THE CASE OF THE EXHIBITS D41 AND D42  
2 THEY HAVE TO GET INTO THOSE SORT OF TEMPORAL DETAILS.

3 Q OKAY. NOW DO YOU DISAGREE WITH THE  
4 CONCLUSION REACHED BY FRENCH AND OTHERS WITH RESPECT TO  
5 THE -- AND I'M LOOKING AT D, WHAT IS ON THE SCREEN,  
6 LOOKING AT D43. DO YOU DISAGREE WITH THOSE AUTHOR'S  
7 CONCLUSIONS THAT WITH RESPECT TO THE STORMS, THE  
8 100-YEAR FLOOD EVENT THAT THEY EXAMINED, THAT ABOUT 15  
9 AND A HALF PERCENT OF THE VOLUME OF INUNDATION ON THE  
10 ROGERS PLAYA WAS ATTRIBUTABLE TO RUNOFF FROM THE  
11 MOUNTAIN FRONT?

12 A I DISAGREE WITH THAT.

13 Q DO YOU LIKEWISE DISAGREE WITH RESPECT TO THE  
14 ROSAMOND PLAYA THAT ABOUT 25 PERCENT OF THE RUNOFF THAT  
15 INUNDATED THE PLAYAS IS ATTRIBUTABLE TO RUNOFF FROM THE  
16 WATERSHED ABOVE 3,000 FEET?

17 A I DO.

18 MR. WILLIAM KUHS: I HAVE NO OTHER QUESTIONS, YOUR  
19 HONOR.

20 THE COURT: OKAY.

21 THERE WAS A MOTION TO STRIKE. ANY FURTHER  
22 ARGUMENT ON THAT?

23 MR. WILLIAM KUHS: WELL, YES, IN THIS -- FOR TWO  
24 REASONS, YOUR HONOR. THE WITNESS, WITH RESPECT TO THIS  
25 EQUATION -- CAN YOU THROW THE EQUATION BACK ON, G25 IS  
26 IT?

27 THE COURT: IT IS 25.

28 MR. WILLIAM KUHS: AS A DISCOVERY MATTER THERE HAS

1 BEEN NO PRODUCTION OF THE THREE NECESSARY COMPONENTS ON  
2 THE RIGHT SIDE OF THE EQUATION, THE "A", THE "W" AND THE  
3 "B". NONE OF THAT INFORMATION HAS BEEN PROVIDED TO  
4 COUNSEL FOR REVIEW PRIOR TO TRIAL. NONE OF IT HAS BEEN  
5 PROVIDED TODAY, AS OF TODAY.

6 SO THIS WITNESS HAS CONSTRUCTED EITHER  
7 INTENTIONALLY OR THROUGH INADVERTENCE A RELATIONSHIP  
8 WHICH HE CANNOT EVEN DESCRIBE TODAY IN COURT AND TELL US  
9 WHAT THE "A", "W" AND "B" ARE, SO THAT IT IS IMPOSSIBLE  
10 AT LEAST FOR THIS DUMB LAWYER TO CROSS-EXAMINE THIS  
11 WITNESS AS TO WHETHER HIS CALCULATIONS ARE TOO HIGH, TOO  
12 LOW, OR IN FACT ARE VALID AT ALL.

13 THE COURT: MR. ZIMMER.

14 MR. ZIMMER: YOUR HONOR, I GO BACK TO WHAT I  
15 RAISED EARLIER. THIS IS DIFFERENT. MR. BUNN BROUGHT UP  
16 WITH MR. WILDERMUTH THAT IT WAS SIMPLY A QUESTION OF HIS  
17 CREDIBILITY. THIS IS FOUNDATIONAL TO THIS WITNESS'S  
18 TESTIMONY. IF HE DOES NOT HAVE "A" AND HE DOESN'T HAVE  
19 "B", AND HE DOESN'T HAVE "W" AND HE HAS NO IDEA WHO HAS  
20 IT, THEN THERE IS SIMPLY NO FOUNDATION FOR THE OPINION.  
21 THAT IS FROM A FOUNDATIONAL STANDPOINT, EITHER LEGALLY  
22 OR FACTUALLY.

23 FROM A DISCOVERY STANDPOINT, MR. KUHS  
24 REFERENCED THAT. THERE'S ABSOLUTELY NO WAY TO BE ABLE  
25 TO EVALUATE -- OR TO EFFECTIVELY CROSS-EXAMINE A WITNESS  
26 WHO REFUSES TO GIVE YOU THE COMPONENT PARTS OF THE  
27 EQUATION THAT HE IS USING TO PRESENT THE OPINION IN  
28 COURT. IT SHOULD HAVE BEEN PROVIDED AT THE DEPOSITION.

1 IT WASN'T.

2 IT SHOULD HAVE BEEN PROVIDED HERE IN COURT  
3 AND IT WASN'T. IN FACT, IT APPEARS THAT THERE HAS BEEN  
4 A CHANGE ORIGINALLY WAS RELYING ON THIS REPORT WITH THE  
5 ACTUAL CALCULATIONS, AND THEN THAT WAS CHANGED OVER SOME  
6 TIME.

7 BUT PUTTING ASIDE THE MOTIVES BEHIND IT, IT  
8 DOESN'T CHANGE THE FACT THAT THERE IS NO FOUNDATION  
9 LEGALLY FOR THE OPINION THAT IS EXPRESSED HERE IN COURT;  
10 AND IT DOESN'T CHANGE THE FACT THAT WE HAVE BEEN DENIED  
11 THE ABILITY TO EFFECTIVELY CROSS-EXAMINE HIM, DENIED THE  
12 ABILITY TO DEPOSE HIM IN A MEANINGFUL WAY WHICH IS  
13 REQUIRED BY THE CODE.

14 THE COURT: OKAY.

15 MR. TOOTLE: YOUR HONOR, I BELIEVE THAT MR. ZIMMER  
16 HAS MISSTATED THE WITNESS'S TESTIMONY. I DON'T BELIEVE  
17 HE EVER STATED HE USED THE FORMULAS IN TABLE TWO. I  
18 BELIEVE THAT HE VERY CLEARLY STATED IN HIS EXPERT REPORT  
19 THE FORMULA AND THE METHODOLOGY THAT HE WENT ABOUT IN  
20 EXPRESSING AN ANALYSIS THAT HE NEVER EXPRESSED. HE  
21 UNDERTOOK -- IT IS A SIMILAR METHODOLOGY, BUT HE NEVER  
22 STATED AND NEVER RELIED UPON THAT REPORT. HE NEVER  
23 EXPLICITLY STATED THAT.

24 MS. RILEY: YOUR HONOR, I RETURN TO -- WHEN WE  
25 STARTED THIS DISCUSSION OVER THE MOTION TO STRIKE THIS  
26 MORNING, MR. DURBIN BELIEVED THAT HE COMPLIED WITH  
27 REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION OF DOCUMENTS AND TURNED OVER ALL  
28 THE DOCUMENTS THAT HE HAD IN HIS POSSESSION AT THE TIME

1 OF THE DEPOSITION IN NOVEMBER.

2 MR. DURBIN PERFORMED THESE CHANNEL GEOMETRY  
3 MEASUREMENTS SEVERAL YEARS AGO, AND HE FOLLOWED A VALID  
4 SCIENTIFIC METHOD USING THE GENERAL FORM FROM HEDMAN AND  
5 OSTERKAMP TO ARRIVE AT HIS CONCLUSIONS. NOTHING HAS  
6 CHANGED IN HIS OPINION THAT HE OFFERED REGARDING THE  
7 CHANNEL GEOMETRY MEASUREMENTS.

8 WE WOULD SUBMIT TO THE COURT THAT HIS  
9 TESTIMONY, IF THERE ARE ANY DEFICIENCIES IN HIS  
10 TESTIMONY THOSE SHOULD BE WEIGHED BY THE COURT RATHER  
11 THAN BE STRICKEN FROM THE RECORD.

12 THE COURT: OKAY.

13 MR. WEEKS: I ALSO ADD THE FOUNDATION FOR THIS IS  
14 DATA THAT EVERYBODY HAS. HOW THAT DATA WAS APPLIED,  
15 THEIR OWN EXPERTS COULD LOOK AT DATA AND APPLY WHATEVER  
16 EQUATIONS THEY WANT TO APPLY TO THESE. MR. DURBIN  
17 APPLIED THESE EQUATIONS.

18 THIS IS INTERMEDIARY TO THE FINAL OPINION  
19 WHICH THEY ALSO HAVE. THEY HAVE THE DATA, AND THEY  
20 COULD HAVE APPLIED TO THEIR OWN EQUATIONS, WHICH  
21 APPARENTLY THEY DID. I GATHER FROM THE NATURE OF THEIR  
22 QUESTIONS, THEY DID THAT.

23 THE COURT: OKAY. WELL, I WILL TELL YOU THAT I AM  
24 CONFUSED BY THIS TESTIMONY.

25 MR. WILLIAM KUHS: YOUR HONOR, I COULDN'T HEAR  
26 YOU.

27 THE COURT: I'M CONFUSED BY THIS TESTIMONY. IN  
28 PARTICULAR WITH REGARD TO THE FORM THAT IS CONTAINED ON

1 EXHIBIT 25. WHAT IS YOUR VIEW OF WHAT THAT FORMULA  
2 STANDS FOR AND WHAT ITS RELEVANCE IS TO YOUR WORK?

3 THE WITNESS: I'M SO SORRY. (CELL PHONE GOES OFF)

4 THE COURT: YOUR OPINION ABOUT THE STREAMFLOW.

5 THE WITNESS: WELL, ULTIMATELY, AS I TESTIFIED TO,  
6 I THINK ON REDIRECT, THERE ARE SEVEN SMALL WATERSHEDS  
7 AND THEY REPRESENT 4 PERCENT OF THE FLOW SO THEY HAVE  
8 VERY LITTLE --

9 THE COURT: THAT I UNDERSTAND. WHAT I DON'T  
10 UNDERSTAND IS WHERE THIS FORMULA FITS IN.

11 THE WITNESS: WELL, IT'S A -- FOR THE SEVEN  
12 WATERSHEDS HAVE NO GAUGING STATIONS ON THEM, AND SO THE  
13 FORMULA IS A TECHNIQUE FOR GOING TO THOSE SEVEN STATIONS  
14 WITH -- OR SEVEN WATERSHEDS WITH NO GAUGING STATIONS AND  
15 MEASURING THE WIDTH AND COMING UP WITH AN ESTIMATE OF  
16 WHAT THE FLOW IS.

17 THE COURT: WHAT NUMBERS DID YOU USE IN USING THIS  
18 FORMULA TO COME UP WITH THAT RELATIONSHIP?

19 THE WITNESS: WELL, I USED -- THE RELATIONSHIP WAS  
20 DEVELOPED BY ALSO GOING TO STREAMS LOCATIONS WHERE THERE  
21 ARE STREAM GAUGING STATIONS AND MEASURING THE WIDTH  
22 THERE AND USING THE NATIVE STREAM FLOW AND THE MEASURED  
23 WIDTH TO DEVELOP THE RELATIONSHIP.

24 BUT, I MEAN, IT IS QUITE CORRECT THAT AT  
25 THIS POINT IN TIME, I DON'T KNOW THE SPECIFICS OF THIS  
26 RELATIONSHIP BECAUSE OF THEIR INTERVENING. I CLOSED A  
27 BUSINESS AND COMPUTERS WENT AWAY. IT IS JUST GONE, SO I  
28 CAN'T TELL ANYBODY WHAT "A" IS AT THIS POINT.



1 THE COURT: DO YOU KNOW AT THE TIME THAT YOU USED  
2 IT?

3 THE WITNESS: OH, YES, AT THE TIME I USED IT, I  
4 DID.

5 THE COURT: DID THAT COME FROM SOFTWARE OR  
6 WHERE -- WHO DEVELOPED THAT FORMULA?

7 THE WITNESS: WELL, THE FORMULA, WHAT I REFERRED  
8 TO AS THE FORM OF THE FORMULA -- AND BY "FORM," I MEAN  
9 IT IS A POWER EQUATION. THERE'S AN EXPONENT AND A  
10 COEFFICIENT. AND SO THE FORM OF THE FORMULA COMES FROM  
11 VARIOUS USGS REPORTS INCLUDING THE OSTERKAMP AND HEDMAN  
12 REPORT.

13 THE COEFFICIENTS COMES FROM DOING SOMETHING  
14 CALLED REGRESSION ANALYSIS, WHICH IS A STATISTICAL  
15 TECHNIQUE FOR FITTING AN EQUATION TO DATA. AND THROUGH  
16 THAT PROCESS COME UP WITH THE PARTICULAR COEFFICIENT  
17 VALUES.

18 AND WHILE I HAVE LOST THE BASIC DATA THAT  
19 WENT INTO DEVELOPING THIS RELATIONSHIP, THE END RESULTS  
20 OF APPLYING THE RELATIONSHIP ARE IN MY EXPERT REPORT AND  
21 ALSO IN THE EXPERT REPORT IS HOW WELL THE RELATIONSHIP  
22 FITS THE LOCATIONS WHERE THERE ARE USGS STREAM GAUGING  
23 STATIONS.

24 THE COURT: AND I TAKE IT FROM YOUR TESTIMONY THAT  
25 IT WOULD BE IMPOSSIBLE FOR YOU TO EVER RECOVER THE DATA  
26 THAT YOU USED TO MAKE THESE DETERMINATIONS?

27 THE WITNESS: MAYBE NOT IMPOSSIBLE, MY WIFE AT  
28 HOME HAS BEEN GOING THROUGH ARCHIVE MATERIAL FROM THE

1 OLD BUSINESS AND TRYING TO FIND THESE. BUT IN THE LAST  
2 COUPLE OF DAYS, SHE HAS HAD NO LUCK.

3 THE COURT: WHEN YOU LEAVE HERE TODAY, YOU ARE  
4 GOING TO GO HOME, AREN'T YOU?

5 THE WITNESS: I HOPE SO.

6 THE COURT: WHAT I'M GOING TO DO WITH THIS IS  
7 THINK ABOUT IT. THERE IS NO QUESTION IT GOES TO THE  
8 WEIGHT. BUT I AM GOING TO ASK YOU IF YOU CAN DURING THE  
9 NEXT TWO WEEKS, OR I GUESS WE WILL BE OUT OF SESSION FOR  
10 ABOUT FOUR WEEKS, I WOULD LIKE TO SEE IF YOU CAN COME UP  
11 WITH THOSE NUMBERS AND REPORT TO YOUR ATTORNEY AS TO  
12 WHETHER OR NOT YOU HAVE THEM OR NOT.

13 THE WITNESS: I WILL DO THAT.

14 THE COURT: OKAY. AND IN THE MEANTIME IT WILL  
15 REMAIN UNDER SUBMISSION PENDING THE FINAL ORDER ON THAT.  
16 OKAY. AND IT IS NOT BASED UPON THE FAILURE TO PROVIDE  
17 THE INFORMATION AT THE DEPOSITION AS I'M -- IT'S BASED  
18 ON WHAT HAS BEEN PRESENTED TO ME. IT SOUNDS AS THOUGH  
19 HE WAS NOT ASKED AT THAT TIME ABOUT THAT.

20 BUT IT IS OF SOME CONCERN TO ME AS TO THE  
21 SCIENTIFIC BASIS FOR THE OPINION BECAUSE IT MUST HAVE  
22 SOME BASIS, IN FACT, IN ORDER TO BE SCIENTIFICALLY  
23 JUSTIFIABLE, AND THAT IS FRANKLY MY CONCERN.

24 SO WE WILL BE IN RECESS FOR ABOUT 15  
25 MINUTES.

26

27

(A RECESS WAS TAKEN.)

28

1 THE COURT: BACK ON THE RECORD.

2 MS. RILEY: IF I COULD FIRST MAKE A REQUEST. I  
3 MAKE A REQUEST OF EXHIBITS G1 THROUGH 123 BE ENTERED  
4 INTO EVIDENCE.

5 THE COURT: WHY DON'T WE DO THIS ANOTHER TIME? I  
6 THINK -- THERE'S CLEARLY GOING TO BE SOME OBJECTION  
7 BASED ON THE MOTION TO STRIKE, SO THAT IS GOING TO HAVE  
8 GET SORTED OUT. I WOULD RATHER NOT HAVE TO DEAL WITH  
9 THAT UNTIL WE HAVE A LITTLE MORE INFORMATION.

10 MS. RILEY: THANK YOU, YOUR HONOR. I JUST WANTED  
11 A PENDING MOTION.

12 THE COURT: YES, THANK YOU.

13 MR. ROBERT KUHS: YOUR HONOR, SHOULD WE ALSO DEFER  
14 MOVING THE EXHIBITS INTO CROSS?

15 THE COURT: YES, I AM PARTICULARLY INTERESTED IN  
16 HAVING THIS WITNESS ON AND GET STARTED AND HOPEFULLY BE  
17 DONE. MR. ZIMMER?

18 MR. ZIMMER: FOR THE SAKE OF TIME AND AS AN  
19 EVIDENTIARY ISSUE, I TALKED TO MR. MILIBAND ABOUT THE  
20 PROPOSED TESTIMONY FROM MR. HARDER. I HAVE SOME  
21 QUESTIONS IN TERMS OF RELEVANCE, BUT I'M HAPPY TO DEFER  
22 THOSE TO THE TESTIMONY. WE CAN TAKE IT UP THEN, BUT ON  
23 A MORE BROAD BASIS, MR. HARDER WAS DESIGNATED TO TESTIFY  
24 REGARDING THE HYDROGEOLOGICAL SETTING -- I AM READING  
25 FROM THE DESIGNATION.

26 "THE HYDROGEOLOGICAL SETTING OF THE PINON  
27 HILLS SERVICE AREA GROUNDWATER EXTRACTIONS FROM THE  
28 PROPOSED ANTELOPE VALLEY AREA OF ADJUDICATION BY EDACFD

1 VIA WELL 14 AND THE EFFECTS OF PUMPING FROM WELL 14 AND  
2 OTHER PPHCSD WELLS ON GROUNDWATER LEVELS AND GROUNDWATER  
3 FLOW IN THE PROPOSED ANTELOPE VALLEY AREA OF  
4 ADJUDICATION."

5 AND AN EXHIBIT WAS ATTACHED TO THE EXPERT  
6 DESIGNATION. I'VE TALKED TO MR. MILIBAND ABOUT THE  
7 PROPOSED TESTIMONY. MR. MILIBAND ADVISED ME THAT HE  
8 INTENDS TO SEEK AN OPINION FROM MR. HARDER ON SAFE YIELD  
9 AND OVERDRAFT.

10 HE WAS NOT DESIGNATED TO TESTIFY AS TO SAFE  
11 YIELD OR OVERDRAFT. AND IN THE EXPERT REPORT WHICH WAS  
12 THE PART OF THE EXPERT DESIGNATION, HE DOES NOT OPINE AS  
13 TO SAFE YIELD OR OVERDRAFT. AND, IN FACT, OPINES THAT  
14 GROUNDWATER LEVELS IN THE AREA THAT HE IS GOING TO BE  
15 TESTIFYING ABOUT WERE RELATIVELY STABLE.

16 SO THERE IS NO -- THERE IS NO DESIGNATION AS  
17 AN EXPERT ON SAFE YIELD OR OVERDRAFT. THE REPORT THAT  
18 IS A PART OF THE EXPERT DESIGNATION IS NOT DESIGNATING  
19 HIM AS AN EXPERT TESTIFYING ON SAFE YIELD OR OVERDRAFT.  
20 ON THAT BASIS, I DON'T THINK HE SHOULD BE ENTITLED TO  
21 TESTIFY ON SAFE YIELD OR OVERDRAFT.

22 MR. MILIBAND: YOUR HONOR, FOR THE RECORD, WESLEY  
23 MILIBAND APPEARING ON BEHALF OF PHELAN PINON HILLS  
24 COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT. AND UNLESS THE COURT  
25 PREFERS OTHERWISE, I INTEND TO REFER TO MY CLIENT AS  
26 PHELAN FOR SIMPLICITY.

27 THE COURT: THAT'S FINE.

28 MR. MILIBAND: THANK YOU, YOUR HONOR. NOW, TO

1 ADDRESS MR. ZIMMER'S POINTS; FIRST, I NEVER MADE A  
2 REPRESENTATION AS TO SAFE YIELD. MR. HARDER'S  
3 ANTICIPATED TESTIMONY OR OPINIONS DO NOT RELATE  
4 SPECIFICALLY TO SAFE YIELD. FOR OVERDRAFT, YES.

5 AND IN THE DESIGNATION, IT DOES READ IN  
6 PARAGRAPH 6 "THROUGH THIS DESIGNATION IN PART THAT MR.  
7 HARDER WILL TESTIFY REGARDING THE HYDROGEOLOGICAL  
8 SETTING OF THE PPHCS D SERVICE AREA," AND TWO LINES BELOW  
9 THAT, IT CONTINUES ON TO SAY THAT -- "THE EFFECTS OF  
10 PUMPING ON GROUNDWATER LEVELS AND GROUNDWATER FLOW IN  
11 THE PROPOSED ANTELOPE VALLEY AREA OF ADJUDICATION."

12 THAT IS ESSENTIALLY WHAT MR. HARDER INTENDS  
13 TO TESTIFY TO, AT LEAST IN PART. NOW, FUNDAMENTALLY  
14 THERE ARE A FEW POINTS I WOULD LIKE TO MAKE TO THE  
15 COURT, PARTICULARLY MR. ZIMMER'S STATEMENTS THAT HE  
16 MIGHT HAVE SOME OBJECTIONS ABOUT RELEVANCY.

17 FIRST AND FOREMOST, THIS IS PHELAN'S FIRST  
18 OPPORTUNITY TO PARTICIPATE IN THE TRIAL IN THIS  
19 ADJUDICATION. THE COUNTY IS A PREDECESSOR TO PHELAN.  
20 AND FOR WHATEVER REASON OR REASONS DID NOT PARTICIPATE  
21 IN EARLIER PHASES.

22 SINCE OUR COMING INTO THE CASE, WE HAVE  
23 FILED A CROSS-COMPLAINT. WE DO BEAR A BURDEN OF PROOF.  
24 WE DO INTEND TO COMPLY WITH THE COURT'S ORDERS AND  
25 PRESENT EVIDENCE CONSISTENT WITH THE COURT'S ORDERS.

26 AND SPECIFICALLY THERE WAS AN ORDER  
27 FOLLOWING -- I BELIEVE IT WAS THE NOVEMBER 18TH, 2010  
28 CMC IN WHICH THE COURT SAID THAT IT MAY HEAR EVIDENCE AT

1 THIS PHASE OF TRIAL ABOUT DIFFERENT PARTS OF THE BASIN  
2 AND THE CONDITIONS THEREOF OR THEREIN SO LONG AS IT  
3 RELATES TO THE OVERALL STATUS OF OVERDRAFT AND SAFE  
4 YIELD. THAT IS WHAT WE INTEND TO OFFER.

5 MR. ZIMMER: GOING BACK, YOUR HONOR, MR. MILIBAND  
6 LEFT OUT PROBABLY THE MOST IMPORTANT OF THAT PORTION OF  
7 THE EXPERT'S DESIGNATION. MR. MILIBAND SAID, "AND THE  
8 EFFECTS OF PUMPING." WHAT HE LEFT OFF WAS, AND IT SAYS,  
9 "AND THE EFFECTS OF PUMPING FROM WELL 14. AND OTHER  
10 PPHSCD WELLS." SO --

11 THE COURT: CAN I SEE THE EXPERT DISCLOSURE,  
12 PLEASE?

13 MR. MILIBAND: YOUR HONOR, IF I MAY APPROACH, I AM  
14 HAPPY TO SUBMIT MY COPIES EXCEPT A COUPLE OF DELINEATED  
15 NOTES OF MINE. THANK YOU.

16 THE COURT: I'M NOT GOING TO NOT PERMIT THE  
17 WITNESS TO BE SWORN, BECAUSE I WILL PERMIT THE WITNESS  
18 TO BE SWORN. I AM HOPING THAT WE WILL HAVE A  
19 STIPULATION CONCERNING HIS QUALIFICATIONS BASED UPON HIS  
20 CV.

21 AND THEN I'LL EVALUATE AS YOU GO WHETHER OR  
22 NOT THE QUESTIONS WOULD BE APPROPRIATE. ONE OF THE  
23 CONCERNS THAT I HAVE IS THAT WE ARE INTERESTED IN THE  
24 OVERALL CONDITION OF THE AQUIFER. AND TO THE EXTENT  
25 THAT HE HAS AN OPINION CONCERNING THAT, IT SEEMS TO ME  
26 THAT IS AN OPINION THAT I WANT TO HEAR.

27 SAFE YIELD IS ALMOST IMPOSSIBLE TO  
28 ESTABLISH -- I SHOULD SAY OVERDRAFT IS ALMOST IMPOSSIBLE

1 TO ESTABLISH WITHOUT SAFE YIELD. IT IS KIND OF THE  
2 OTHER END OF THE EQUATION IN A SENSE. SO LET'S HAVE THE  
3 WITNESS SWORN FIRST, AND I'LL DEAL WITH THE OBJECTIONS  
4 AS THEY ARE MADE.

5 MR. MILIBAND: YOUR HONOR, I APPRECIATE THE  
6 COURT'S COMMENTS, AND I'LL TABLE AND RESERVE ANY OTHER  
7 RESPONSES I MIGHT HAVE. BUT FIRST THE QUESTION IS TO  
8 THE STIPULATION REGARDING QUALIFICATIONS. IS THE COURT  
9 REQUESTING THAT THE PARTIES STIPULATE TO THE  
10 QUALIFICATIONS?

11 THE COURT: I WANT TO HEAR IF THERE IS AN  
12 OBJECTION OR THERE IS A STIPULATION?

13 MR. ZIMMER: I WOULD STIPULATE, YOUR HONOR.

14 THE COURT: YOU HAVE ALL SEEN HIS CV, I TAKE IT?

15 MR. ZIMMER: I'LL STIPULATE THAT HE IS QUALIFIED  
16 TO TESTIFY AS AN EXPERT ON WATER ISSUES AND STIPULATE  
17 THAT YOU CAN INTRODUCE HIS CV.

18 THE COURT: ANYONE THAT DOES NOT JOIN IN THAT  
19 STIPULATION? HEARING NONE, I'LL FIND THAT HE IS  
20 QUALIFIED, AND HE MAY TESTIFY. STEP FORWARD, SIR, AND  
21 BE SWORN.

22 MR. MILIBAND: YOUR HONOR, I WAS HOPING TO DEVELOP  
23 THAT A LITTLE BIT, BUT THE STIPULATION BEING IN PLACE,  
24 I'M COMFORTABLE ENOUGH WITH THAT. CAN I SPECIFICALLY  
25 REQUEST THE STIPULATION RELATING TO HYDROGEOLOGICAL  
26 CHARACTERISTICS AT LEAST IN THE SOUTHEAST PORTION OF THE  
27 BASIN IN WHICH IT ALSO ALLOWS FOR MR. HARDER TO  
28 POTENTIALLY TESTIFY AS TO OVERDRAFT.

1 THE COURT: YES. HE HAS A BACHELOR'S DEGREE IN  
2 GEOLOGY, AND HE HAS GOT A MASTERS IN GEOLOGY AND  
3 EMPHASIS ON HYDROGEOLOGY. I BELIEVE THAT IS SUFFICIENT  
4 QUALIFICATIONS.

5 MR. MILIBAND: THANK YOU, YOUR HONOR.

6 THE COURT: SWEAR THE WITNESS, PLEASE.

7 THE CLERK: PLEASE RAISE YOUR RIGHT HAND TO BE  
8 SWORN.

9 YOU DO SOLEMNLY STATE THAT THE TESTIMONY YOU  
10 MAY GIVE IN THE CAUSE NOW PENDING BEFORE THIS COURT  
11 SHALL BE THE TRUTH, THE WHOLE TRUTH, AND NOTHING BUT THE  
12 TRUTH, SO HELP YOU GOD.

13 THE WITNESS: I DO.

14 THE CLERK: THANK YOU. PLEASE BE SEATED. PLEASE  
15 STATE AND SPELL YOUR NAME FOR THE RECORD.

16 THE WITNESS: THOMAS EDWIN HARDER.

17 THE CLERK: THANK YOU. SPELL YOUR LAST NAME.

18 THE WITNESS: H-A-R-D-E-R.

19 THE CLERK: THANK YOU.

20 THE COURT: OKAY. WILL YOU PLEASE GIVE US YOUR  
21 BUSINESS ADDRESS.

22 THE WITNESS: MY BUSINESS ADDRESS IS THOMAS HARDER  
23 AND COMPANY, 601 EAST YORBA LINDA BOULEVARD, SUITE 3A;  
24 PLACENTIA, CALIFORNIA 92870.

25 THE COURT: OKAY. THANK YOU. YOU MAY PROCEED.

26 MR. MILIBAND: THANK YOU, YOUR HONOR. FIRST AS  
27 MATTER OF HOUSEKEEPING, I HAVE PREMARKED A NUMBER OF  
28 EXHIBITS AND DISTRIBUTED COPIES TO THE COURT AND



1 COUNSEL. I BELIEVE THE NEXT LETTER IN ORDER IS "H" AS  
2 IN HERO. AND MR. HARDER'S CV HAS BEEN PREMARKED AS H1.

3 THE COURT: ALL RIGHT.

4

5 (PHELAN PINON HILLS EXHIBIT H1  
6 PREMARKED.)

7

8 THOMAS EDWIN HARDER,  
9 CALLED BY PHELAN PINON HILLS AS A WITNESS, WAS SWORN AND  
10 TESTIFIED AS FOLLOWS:

11

12 DIRECT EXAMINATION

13 BY MR. MILIBAND:

14 Q GOOD AFTERNOON, MR. HARDER.

15 A GOOD AFTERNOON.

16 Q WERE YOU HIRED BY PHELAN FROM MS. TRAGER'S  
17 OFFICE TO UNDERTAKE A STUDY OF THE AQUIFER FROM WHICH  
18 PHELAN PUMPS GROUNDWATER?

19 A I WAS.

20 Q WAS PART OF THAT INITIAL ENGAGEMENT TO  
21 EVALUATE PHELAN'S PUMPING AND ITS HYDROGEOLOGICAL  
22 RELATIONSHIP TO THE ANTELOPE VALLEY ADJUDICATION AREA?

23 A YES.

24 Q WAS YOUR STUDY DONE FOR PURPOSES OF OFFERING  
25 EVIDENCE ABOUT THE CONDITION OF THE ANTELOPE VALLEY  
26 GROUNDWATER BASIN AND HOW PUMPING IN THE SOUTHEAST  
27 PORTION OF THE GROUNDWATER BASIN INFLUENCES THE  
28 CONDITION OF THE ADJUDICATION AREA?

1           A           YES, THAT IS CORRECT.

2           Q           DID YOU CONFINE YOUR STUDY TO THE SOUTHEAST  
3 EAST AREA OF ANTELOPE VALLEY GROUNDWATER BASIN?

4           A           YES. YOU KNOW, FOR CLARIFICATION, WE  
5 REVIEWED THE ENTIRE ANTELOPE VALLEY GROUNDWATER BASIN  
6 FOR CONTEXT. BUT THE GENERAL AREA OF OUR STUDY IS  
7 LOCATED AS SHOWN ON THE EXHIBIT. IT IS ON THE WALL  
8 THERE ENTITLED GROUNDWATER BASIN. THAT IS THE GENERAL  
9 AREA OF OUR STUDY.

10          Q           WE WILL COME BACK TO THAT IN JUST A MOMENT,  
11 BUT WHEN YOU SAY "WE," TO WHOM ARE YOU REFERRING TO?

12          A           I'M SORRY. I SHOULD SAY I. I WAS THE  
13 PERSON.

14          Q           WOULD YOU PLEASE DESCRIBE THE SCOPE OF THE  
15 STUDIES THAT YOU HAVE UNDERTAKEN FOR PHELAN?

16          A           WELL, ON AN OVER-ARCHING BASIS, THE PURPOSE  
17 OF THE STUDY WAS TO DESCRIBE THE HYDROGEOLOGIC SETTING  
18 AND EVALUATE THE CONDITIONS OF THE AQUIFERS FROM WHICH  
19 PHELAN PUMPS GROUNDWATER. THERE WERE MULTIPLE GENERAL  
20 COMPONENTS TO THIS STUDY, HOWEVER.

21                    AND THE FIRST COMPONENT WAS TO FIRST  
22 IDENTIFY THE STUDY AREA ITSELF. THE SECOND COMPONENT  
23 WAS TO DEVELOP AN UNDERSTANDING OF PHELAN'S GROUNDWATER  
24 LEVELS, THE LOCATION OF THE WELLS, HOW DEEP THEY WERE,  
25 WHICH AQUIFERS THEY WERE PUMPING OUT OF, HOW MUCH THEY  
26 WERE PUMPING.

27                    A THIRD COMPONENT WOULD BE TO DESCRIBE THE  
28 PHYSICAL SETTING OF PHELAN'S WELLS INCLUDING THE GEOLOGY

1 OF THE AREA, THE CHARACTER OF THE ROCKS, THE HYDROLOGY  
2 OF THE AREA INCLUDING THE SURFACE WATER CHARACTERISTICS  
3 AND FEATURES; AND THEN WE ALSO LOOK AT HYDROGEOLOGY OF  
4 THE AREA. EXCUSE ME.

5 Q NOW AS PART OF THAT COMPONENT OF DESCRIBING  
6 THE PHYSICAL SETTING, DID YOU ALSO LOOK AT GROUNDWATER  
7 OCCURRENCE?

8 A YEAH, WELL, IN THE HYDROGEOLOGY WE LOOKED AT  
9 GROUNDWATER OCCURRENCE AND FLOW. WE LOOKED AT  
10 HISTORICAL GROUNDWATER LEVELS, AND WE LOOKED AT  
11 GROUNDWATER PUMPING SOURCES OF DISCHARGE HISTORICALLY.  
12 WE ALSO LOOKED AT GROUNDWATER RECHARGE INCLUDING RETURN  
13 FLOW RECHARGE.

14 Q DID YOU ALSO LOOK AT SEPTIC SYSTEM RETURN  
15 FLOW?

16 A WELL, RETURN FLOW RECHARGE INCLUDED SEPTIC  
17 SYSTEM RETURNS.

18 Q AND YOU MAY HAVE MENTIONED THIS, BUT DID YOU  
19 ALSO LOOK AT GROUNDWATER DISCHARGE AND PUMPING  
20 OPERATIONS?

21 A YES.

22 Q WERE THERE ANY OTHER COMPONENTS TO YOUR  
23 STUDY?

24 A WELL, I SUPPOSE THE FINAL COMPONENT WOULD BE  
25 TO EVALUATE THE EFFECT OF PHELAN'S PUMPING ON  
26 GROUNDWATER LEVELS AND THEN THE OVERALL CONDITION OF  
27 ANTELOPE VALLEY ADJUDICATION AREA.

28 Q NOW, THE FIRST COMPONENT YOU MENTIONED

1 DEFINING THE STUDY AREA; IS THAT CORRECT?

2 A YES.

3 Q WHAT CRITERIA DID YOU USE TO DEFINE THE  
4 STUDY AREA?

5 A WELL, INITIALLY, WHAT WE DID WAS LOOKED AT  
6 BACKGROUND REPORTS AND DOCUMENTS FOR THE AREA. WE  
7 WANTED TO PICK AN AREA LARGE ENOUGH TO PROVIDE CONTEXT  
8 FOR THE GROUNDWATER FLOW REGIME TO DEVELOP GROUNDWATER  
9 CONTOUR MAPS SO WE CAN ASSESS GROUNDWATER FLOW  
10 DIRECTIONS NOT ONLY ON PHELAN'S AREA, BUT ACROSS THE  
11 ADJUDICATION BOUNDARY. SO IT WAS REALLY JUST  
12 PROFESSIONAL JUDGMENT TO COME UP WITH THE STUDY AREA  
13 THAT IS SHOWN ON THE EXHIBIT REFERRED TO AS GROUNDWATER  
14 BASIN.

15 Q LET'S TURN TO THAT EXHIBIT. IT HAS BEEN  
16 PREMARKED FOR IDENTIFICATION PURPOSES AS H2 IN THE LOWER  
17 RIGHT-HAND CORNER.

18

19 (PHELAN PINON HILLS EXHIBIT H2  
20 MARKED.)

21

22 BY MR. MILIBAND:

23 Q IT SAYS GROUNDWATER BASINS. DO YOU HAVE  
24 EXHIBIT H2 IN FRONT OF YOU, MR. HARDER?

25 A I CAN SEE IT ON THE WALL, YES.

26 Q EITHER WAY, EITHER WITH THE PACKET OF  
27 EXHIBITS IN FRONT OF YOU OR ON THE WALL?

28 A UH-HUH.

1 Q DOES EXHIBIT H2 ILLUSTRATE THE STUDY AREA AS  
2 YOU DEFINED IT?

3 A YES.

4 Q WOULD YOU PLEASE ELABORATE AND DESCRIBE THAT  
5 STUDY AREA AS YOU HAVE DEFINED IT?

6 A WELL, IN GENERAL THE SOUTHERN BOUNDARY OF  
7 THE STUDY AREA IS THE SAN GABRIEL MOUNTAINS. THE  
8 WESTERN BOUNDARY IS ROUGHLY BIG ROCK CREEK WHICH IS ON  
9 THE EXHIBIT, IS SHOWN AS ABOUT RIGHT THERE. THE  
10 NORTHERN BOUNDARY IS WHAT I WOULD REFER TO AS THE AREA  
11 OF THE BUTTES, THIS WOULD BE SADDLEBACK BUTTE UP HERE  
12 AND THIS IS PIUTE BUTTE.

13 THE NORTHERN BOUNDARY TOWARD THE CENTRAL  
14 PORTION WOULD BE APPROXIMATELY ONARUS (PHONETIC) DRY  
15 LAKE, AND THEN THE EASTERN BOUNDARY WOULD BE OVER IN  
16 VICTORVILLE IN THIS AREA.

17 Q WAS EXHIBIT H2 PREPARED BY YOU OR AT YOUR  
18 DIRECTION?

19 A IT WAS PREPARED IN MY OFFICE BY MY STAFF AT  
20 MY DIRECTION, YES.

21 Q WHAT DATA OR INFORMATION WAS USED TO  
22 ASSEMBLE THIS EXHIBIT?

23 A WELL, THE EXHIBIT WAS PREPARED USING  
24 GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SOFTWARE STARTING WITH A BASE MAP  
25 WHICH IS THE SATELLITE OR AERIAL PHOTO IMAGE IN THE  
26 BACKGROUND. AND THEN WE OVERLAID ON THAT VARIOUS --  
27 WHAT IS REFERRED TO AS SHAPE FILES, G.I.S. SHAPE FILES,  
28 SHOWING THE COUNTY BOUNDARY, THE PHELAN'S SURFACE AREA

1 BOUNDARY WHICH IS SHOWN HERE ON YELLOW.

2 WE OVERLAID ON THAT THE GROUNDWATER BASIN  
3 BOUNDARY WHICH ARE SHOWN ON THE LEFT AS THE ANTELOPE  
4 VALLEY GROUNDWATER BASIN.

5 AND IN THE MIDDLE IS THE EL MIRAGE;  
6 M-I-R-A-G-E. AND THEN TO THE FAR RIGHT IS THE UPPER  
7 MOJAVE RIVER VALLEY GROUNDWATER BASIN. AND THEN WE ALSO  
8 OVERLAYED THERE, AS YOU CAN SEE, PHELAN'S GROUNDWATER  
9 PRODUCTION WELLS ARE SHOWN IN BLUE.

10 PHELAN HAS A NUMBER OF GROUNDWATER  
11 PRODUCTION WELLS, SIX OF WHICH OCCUR IN THE ANTELOPE  
12 VALLEY GROUNDWATER BASIN AND ONE OF WHICH, WELL 14,  
13 OCCURS ON THE LOS ANGELES SIDE OF THE COUNTY BOUNDARY  
14 AND WITHIN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY ADJUDICATION AREA.

15 Q MR. HARDER, DESCRIBING WHAT DATA AND  
16 INFORMATION WAS USED TO ASSEMBLE THIS EXHIBIT -- YOU  
17 HAVE TO SOME EXTENT IDENTIFIED HOW THIS EXHIBIT WAS  
18 PREPARED. IS THERE ANYTHING ADDITIONAL THAT YOU WOULD  
19 WANT TO ADD IN TERMS OF HOW THIS PARTICULAR EXHIBIT WAS  
20 PREPARED?

21 A NO.

22 Q WHY DID YOU DEFINE THE STUDY AREA AS  
23 ILLUSTRATED IN EXHIBIT H2?

24 A WELL, AS I SAID BEFORE, WE WANTED AN AREA  
25 LARGE ENOUGH THAT WE COULD DRAW -- DRAWING THE CONTOUR  
26 MAP INSTEAD OF, SAY, REGIONAL GROUNDWATER FLOW DIRECTION  
27 AS A MEANS OF IDENTIFYING SOURCES OF RECHARGE AND  
28 SOURCES OF DISCHARGE THAT MIGHT AFFECT THE ADJUDICATION

1 AREA IRREGARDLESS OF THE COUNTY BOUNDARY.

2 Q WOULD YOU DESCRIBE THE AREA THAT LOOKS TO BE  
3 A BROWN OR LIGHT BROWN AREA, THE LEFT PORTION OF THE  
4 EXHIBIT H2, AS BEING THE ANTELOPE VALLEY GROUNDWATER  
5 BASIN AS DEFINED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES  
6 BULLETIN 118?

7 A THAT'S CORRECT.

8 MR. ZIMMER: VAGUE. I'M NOT SURE WHERE HE IS  
9 TALKING ABOUT EXACTLY.

10 THE WITNESS: THIS AREA RIGHT HERE.

11 MR. ZIMMER: OKAY. SO FOR THE RECORD HE IS USING  
12 A LASER POINTER TO DIFFERENTIATE THE LEFT SIDE OF THE  
13 DIAGRAM FROM APPROXIMATELY THE COUNTY LINE TO THE WEST.

14 MR. MILIBAND: FOR THE RECORD, THERE IS A MAP  
15 FEATURED LEGEND ON PAGE 2 THAT IDENTIFIED THAT SAME  
16 COLOR TO BE ANTELOPE VALLEY GROUNDWATER BASIN.

17 MR. ZIMMER: I'M NOT SURE THAT IS CONSISTENT WITH  
18 THE ANTELOPE VALLEY GROUNDWATER BASIN DETERMINED IN  
19 PHASE II.

20 MR. MILIBAND: I DON'T KNOW IF THERE IS AN  
21 OBJECTION PENDING OR IF MR. ZIMMER IS EDITORIALIZING,  
22 YOUR HONOR.

23 MR. ZIMMER: THIS IS A LITTLE UNUSUAL. WE ARE  
24 SOMEWHAT GOING BACK TO PHASE II IN TERMS OF DEFINING  
25 GROUNDWATER BASINS. I'M SIMPLY ASKING WHAT THIS  
26 DIAGRAMS DEPICTS IS IN FACT THE BOUNDARIES FOR THE  
27 ANTELOPE VALLEY GROUNDWATER BASIN.

28 THE COURT: WELL, LET ME ASK YOU THIS QUESTION:

1 DO I UNDERSTAND THAT THIS IS THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY  
2 LINE?

3 MR. MILIBAND: YES, YOUR HONOR.

4 THE COURT: I'M POINTING TO THE BLACK LINE RUNNING  
5 FROM THE TOP TO THE BOTTOM WITH THE SLIGHT JOG IN IT.  
6 DO I UNDERSTAND THAT YOUR CLIENT HAS ESSENTIALLY TWO  
7 WELLS THAT ARE RIGHT ON THE LINE?

8 MR. MILIBAND: ONE WELL, YOUR HONOR, IS ACTUALLY  
9 WITHIN THE ADJUDICATION AREA, AND THAT IS WELL 14.

10 THE COURT: OKAY. AND THE COURT IN ESTABLISHING  
11 THE ADJUDICATION AREA BASED ON TESTIMONY THAT WAS  
12 PROVIDED THAT -- AT THAT TIME CONCLUDED NOT TO INCLUDE A  
13 SIGNIFICANT AMOUNT OR MOST OF THE AMOUNT OF YOUR  
14 JURISDICTIONAL AREA WITHIN THE VALLEY. IN FACT WITHIN  
15 THE ADJUDICATION AREA -- IN FACT THE ONLY PART OF IT IS  
16 RIGHT ON THE EDGE WHERE THE WELL IS; RIGHT?

17 MR. MILIBAND: CORRECT, YOUR HONOR.

18 THE COURT: SO YOUR CLIENT IS PUMPING IN THE  
19 ANTELOPE VALLEY ADJUDICATION AREA, BUT MOST OF THE WATER  
20 OR ALL THE WATER IS GOING OUT OF THE ADJUDICATION AREA.  
21 IT SEEMS TO ME THAT THE CRITICAL TESTIMONY THAT WE OUGHT  
22 TO BE HEARING IS THE CONDITION OF THAT WELL AT THIS  
23 POINT BEFORE WE START GOING BROAD-BASE INTO THE ENTIRE  
24 ADJUDICATION AREA.

25 MR. MILIBAND: UNDERSTOOD, YOUR HONOR. AND A LOT  
26 OF THIS IS FOUNDATIONAL, IF FOR NO OTHER REASON. AND  
27 PART OF THIS IS FOR NOT HAVING THAT OPPORTUNITY TO HAVE  
28 BEEN HERE FOR PHASE I AND II.



1 THE COURT: AND I UNDERSTAND THAT, AND I SUPPOSE  
2 IT IS ALSO POSSIBLE THAT THE COURT WOULD DRAW THE LINE A  
3 LITTLE BIT FURTHER TO THE LEFT.

4 MR. MILIBAND: OR TO THE RIGHT -- INTO THE EAST.

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6 (LAUGHTER)

7

8 THE COURT: I DON'T WANT MOJAVE; BUT IN ANY EVENT,  
9 WHY DON'T YOU FOCUS ON THAT WELL FOR -- TO GET TO IT TO  
10 SEE WHERE WE ARE GOING.

11 MR. MILIBAND: UNDERSTOOD, YOUR HONOR, AND AGAIN A  
12 LOT OF THIS IS FOUNDATIONAL TO BE ABLE TO GET TO THAT  
13 POINT, NOT ONLY TO HAVE A CLEAR BASIS FOR THESE  
14 OPINIONS, BUT ALSO TO HOPEFULLY LIMIT THE OBJECTIONS  
15 THAT MIGHT OTHERWISE COME IF I DON'T ELICIT THIS TYPE OF  
16 TESTIMONY.

17 THE COURT: OKAY.

18 MR. JOYCE: YOUR HONOR, JUST A POINT OF  
19 CLARIFICATION, IF I UNDERSTAND IT CORRECTLY, THE  
20 ENTIRETY OF THE SERVICE AREA FOR PHELAN IS OUTSIDE OF  
21 THE ADJUDICATION.

22 THE COURT: THAT IS WHAT THE MAP LOOKS LIKE.

23 MR. JOYCE: THANK YOU, YOUR HONOR.

24 MR. ZIMMER: YOUR HONOR, JUST TO ADDRESS  
25 MR. MILIBAND'S CONCERN ABOUT FOUNDATION IF HE GETS -- IT  
26 WOULD BE NICE TO FINISH THIS WITNESS THIS AFTERNOON  
27 BECAUSE WE WILL PROBABLY HAVE MISS OBERDORFER HERE IN  
28 THE MORNING, AND I DON'T REALLY HAVE ANY OBJECTION OF

1 JUMPING INTO EXACTLY WHAT THE COURT SUGGESTED, AND THAT  
2 IS A DISCUSSION ABOUT THIS WELL AND WHAT IS HAPPENING AT  
3 THAT WELL.

4 THE COURT: YEAH, I MEAN THAT -- THAT IS A VERY  
5 SIGNIFICANT FACTOR IN TERMS OF WHAT THE IMPACT OF THE  
6 WHOLE LITIGATION IS, SO MAYBE WE COULD GO THERE  
7 DIRECTLY.

8 MR. MILIBAND: IF THOSE ARE THE COURT'S WISHES AND  
9 MY UNDERSTANDING IS AS AN OFFER OF PROOF IS THAT  
10 MR. HARDER HAS ALSO LOOKED AT OTHER WELLS IN THE AREA,  
11 SO THAT MORE INFORMATION CAN BECOME KNOWN TO THE COURT.

12 THE COURT: WELL, I UNDERSTAND THAT YOU ARE A  
13 LATE-COMER. YOUR CLIENT IS A LATE-COMER TO THIS  
14 LITIGATION AND -- WITH YOUR FIRM, SO IT IS  
15 UNDERSTANDABLE THAT WOULD BE A LACK OF CERTAINTY.

16 MR. MILIBAND: I'LL TRY TO SPEED IT UP AND FOCUS,  
17 YOUR HONOR, BUT IF I MAY, I WOULD LIKE TO ASK ONE OR TWO  
18 MORE QUESTIONS.

19 THE COURT: YOU MAY.

20 MR. MILIBAND: THANK YOU. I APPRECIATE IT.

21 MR. WILLIAM KUHS: SUBJECT TO MR. JOYCE'S  
22 OBJECTIONS.

23 MR. JOYCE: WHAT?

24 THE COURT: OF COURSE.

25 MR. MILIBAND: POSSIBLY MR. KUHS AS WELL.

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27

(LAUGHTER)

28

1 BY MR. MILIBAND:

2 Q MR. HARDER, IF YOU COULD PLEASE DESCRIBE HOW  
3 YOU DEVELOPED AN UNDERSTANDING OF THE WATER DEMAND AND  
4 SUPPLY AND THE WELLS IN YOUR STUDY AREA AS DEPICTED IN  
5 EXHIBIT H2?

6 A WELL, PRIMARILY THE WATER DEMAND AND THE  
7 WATER SUPPLY INFORMATION PROVIDED FOR PHELAN WELL WERE  
8 PROVIDED BY PHELAN, THEIR STAFF. WE ALSO LATER ON IN  
9 OUR STUDY LOOKED AT WATER DEMAND TO THE NORTHWEST AND  
10 DOWN-GRADIENT OF WELL 14.

11 Q WHAT TASKS DID YOU UNDERTAKE TO CARRY OUT  
12 THESE VARIOUS COMPONENTS OF YOUR STUDY?

13 A WELL, THE FIRST TASK WAS TO COMPILE AND  
14 REVIEW BACKGROUND INFORMATION, REGIONAL AND HYDROLOGICAL  
15 INFORMATION ON THE ANTELOPE VALLEY GROUNDWATER BASIN AS  
16 A WHOLE, FROM VARIOUS RESOURCES INCLUDING THE U.S.  
17 GEOLOGICAL SURVEY, DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES.

18 FOR OUR STUDY AREA, WE FOCUSSED ON A NUMBER  
19 OF OTHER RESOURCES INCLUDING CONSULTANT REPORTS, U.S.  
20 GEOLOGICAL SURVEY REPORTS AS WELL, AND SOME REPORTS BY  
21 CAL STATE FULLERTON WHO HAD DONE SOME WORK IN THE AREA.

22 AND WE ALSO COMPILED AERIAL PHOTOS AND  
23 SATELLITE IMAGES AND REVIEWED THOSE. WE LOOKED AT, LIKE  
24 I SAID, ARC-GIS MAPS DATA INCLUDING POLITICAL  
25 BOUNDARIES, GROUNDWATER BASIN BOUNDARIES, WELL  
26 LOCATIONS, SOIL PROPERTIES. WE LOOKED AT GEOLOGY MAPS  
27 FOR THE AREA. AND, THEN, WE ALSO COMPILED  
28 HYDROGEOLOGICAL DATA INCLUDING GROUNDWATER LEVELS,

1 GROUNDWATER PRODUCTION, PRIMARILY THOSE TWO. BUT WE  
2 ALSO LOOKED AT PRECIPITATION, EVAPOTRANSPIRATION AND  
3 THOSE THINGS.

4 THAT WAS TASK ONE.

5 Q WHAT WOULD BE TASK TWO?

6 A TASK TWO WE CONDUCTED NUMEROUS FIELD  
7 INVESTIGATIONS OF THE AREA INCLUDING PHELAN'S AREA, THE  
8 AREA OF SAN GABRIEL MOUNTAINS TO THE SOUTH AND THEN ALSO  
9 PHELAN'S INVESTIGATIONS OF THE AREA TO THE NORTHWEST AND  
10 THE AREA OF THE BUTTES.

11 Q IS THERE A TASK THREE?

12 A YES, TASK THREE WOULD BE TO TAKE THE  
13 INFORMATION FROM TASK ONE AND TWO AND COMPILE A NUMBER  
14 OF MAPS INCLUDING GROUNDWATER CONTOUR MAPS, HYDROGRAPHS  
15 TO EVALUATE FLOW DIRECTIONS AND HISTORICAL GROUNDWATER  
16 LEVELS.

17 WE ALSO COMPILED THE GROUNDWATER PRODUCTION  
18 DATA TO SEE WHAT THE TOTAL GROUNDWATER PRODUCTION FOR  
19 THE AREA WAS. AND, THEN, WE ALSO DID AN EVALUATION OF  
20 RETURN FLOW RECHARGE FOR THE PORTION OF PHELAN SERVICE  
21 AREA THAT OVERLAPS THE ANTELOPE VALLEY GROUNDWATER  
22 BASIN.

23 Q OF ALL THE LITERATURE THAT YOU REVIEWED IN  
24 CONNECTION WITH YOUR STUDY, DID YOU FIND ANY OTHER STUDY  
25 THAT FOCUSSED ON THIS SAME STUDY AREA?

26 A THERE ARE A NUMBER OF STUDIES INCLUDING  
27 LEIGHTON AND PHILLIPS AND IN OTHER REGIONAL STUDIES BY  
28 BLOYD THAT TOUCHED ON THE AREA OF THE BOUNDARY BETWEEN

1 THE COUNTIES, BUT WE NEVER SAW -- I DIDN'T FIND ANY  
2 REPORTS THAT DETAILED SPECIFICALLY ANALYSIS OF THIS  
3 AREA.

4 Q YOU MENTIONED THAT YOU CONDUCTED FIELD  
5 INVESTIGATIONS. WHAT DID YOU OBSERVE DURING THESE  
6 INVESTIGATIONS IN CONNECTION WITH THE DIFFERENT  
7 COMPONENTS OF YOUR STUDY?

8 A WELL, FOR THE FIRST FIELD INVESTIGATION, WE  
9 WENT OUT AND LOOKED AT THE WELLS THEMSELVES AND  
10 INSPECTED PHELAN WELLS, AND WE HAD -- I WENT OUT WITH  
11 ONE OF THEIR OPERATORS TO INTERVIEW HIM ALSO ON THEIR  
12 PRODUCTION WITH SPECIFICALLY ON WELL 14 WE VERIFIED  
13 THEIR LOCATIONS. AND WE ALSO LOOKED AT THEIR -- SOME  
14 OTHER WELLS IN THE AREA TO VERIFY THEIR LOCATIONS.

15 A SECOND FIELD TRIP WAS INTO THE SAN GABRIEL  
16 MOUNTAINS THEMSELVES. WE LOOKED AT A FEW SPRINGS UP  
17 THERE, AND I ALSO INSPECTED THE NATURE OF THE ROCKS AND  
18 SOME OF THE OTHER FEATURES, THE WASHES THAT EMANATE OUT  
19 OF THE MOUNTAINS.

20 AND THEN I TOOK TWO FIELD TRIPS UP TO THE  
21 AREA OF BUTTES, THE LA GEORGE (PHONETIC) BUTTE, OVER TO  
22 BLACK BUTTE AND THEN THE AREA BETWEEN BLACK BUTTE AND  
23 THE COUNTY BOUNDARY WHICH IT IS AN AREA REFERRED TO AS  
24 THE GRAY BUTTE FIELD. IT IS AN AIRSTRIP. IT'S AN OLD  
25 WORLD WAR II AIRSTRIP WHICH THEY ARE NOW TESTING  
26 PREDATORS. INSPECTED THE LAND USE CONDITIONS UP THERE  
27 AND ALSO IDENTIFIED A NUMBER OF AGRICULTURAL WELLS IN  
28 THAT AREA, AND THEN WE ALSO LOOKED AT THE PHYSICAL

1 FEATURES OF THE AREA INCLUDING THE PLAYA DEPOSITS. AND  
2 THERE'S AN OLD SPRING THAT HAS BEEN LISTED IN THE  
3 LITERATURE, WE WENT IN AND INSPECTED THAT.

4 Q TO YOUR KNOWLEDGE, DOES PHELAN PURCHASE ANY  
5 IMPORTED WATER FROM THE STATE WATER CONTRACTOR OR ANY  
6 OTHER ENTITY?

7 A NOT TO MY KNOWLEDGE.

8 Q IS GROUNDWATER THE ONLY SOURCE OF WATER  
9 CURRENTLY AVAILABLE FOR PHELAN?

10 MR. WILLIAM KUHS: OBJECT AS IRRELEVANT.

11 THE COURT: SUSTAINED.

12 MR. MILIBAND: YOUR HONOR, I OFFER THAT QUESTION  
13 TO ELICIT TESTIMONY JUST TO RELATE TO WHAT RECHARGE  
14 MIGHT OR MIGHT NOT EXIST.

15 THE COURT: IT IS IRRELEVANT FOR OUR PURPOSES  
16 TODAY.

17 BY MR. MILIBAND:

18 Q MR. HARDER, HAVE YOU CONDUCTED ANY ANALYSIS  
19 FROM RETURN FLOW IRRIGATION?

20 A I HAVE.

21 Q YOU HAVE?

22 A OH, YES.

23 Q HOW SO?

24 A WELL, RETURN FLOW IRRIGATION, I SHOULD SAY  
25 WE CONDUCTED ANALYSIS OF RETURN FLOW FROM INDIVIDUAL  
26 SEPTIC TANKS. PHELAN DOES NOT HAVE A WASTE WATER  
27 DISPOSAL, A FORMAL WASTE WATER DISPOSAL PLAN. THEY'RE  
28 FORMER WASTE WATER DISPOSAL IS THROUGH INDIVIDUAL SEPTIC

1 TANKS; AND I GUESS THROUGH IRRIGATION, WE EVALUATED THE  
2 PORTION OF THEIR WATER SUPPLY OR WATER TO THOSE HOMES  
3 THAT WAS USED FOR IRRIGATION AS OPPOSED TO WHAT MIGHT BE  
4 DISCHARGED TO INDIVIDUAL SEPTIC SYSTEMS.

5 Q SO WHEN YOU SAY YOU DON'T HAVE A RETURN FLOW  
6 INVESTIGATION, YOU ARE RELATING THAT TO THE SEPTIC  
7 SYSTEM; IS THAT CORRECT?

8 A YES.

9 Q BUT NOT TO IRRIGATION; IS THAT CORRECT?

10 A THAT IS CORRECT.

11 Q WHY NOT TO IRRIGATION?

12 A WELL, IRRIGATION, THEY DON'T -- THERE IS  
13 HARDLY ANY LANDSCAPE IRRIGATION IN THE PHELAN AREA. IN  
14 OTHER WORDS, PEOPLE DON'T KEEP LAWNS IN PHELAN. THEY  
15 DON'T USE WATER FOR IRRIGATION. IT IS ALMOST COMPLETELY  
16 USED FOR INDOOR USE.

17 MR. MILIBAND: MR. HARDER, WILL YOU PLEASE TURN TO  
18 WHAT HAS BEEN PREMARKED FOR IDENTIFICATION PURPOSES AS  
19 EXHIBIT H3?

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21 (PHELAN PINON HILLS EXHIBIT H3  
22 PREMARKED.)

23

24 MR. MILIBAND: YOUR HONOR, DO YOU MIND IF I  
25 TRAVERSE THE WELL AS NEEDED?

26 THE COURT: NO, GO AHEAD, BUT I HAVE A QUESTION.  
27 SEPTIC TANKS, WHERE ARE THEY LOCATED, IN THE MOJAVE  
28 COUNTY OR L.A. COUNTY?

1 THE WITNESS: THEY ARE LOCATED WITHIN PHELAN'S  
2 SERVICE AREA IN SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY.

3 MR. ZIMMER: YOUR HONOR, THAT WAS MY QUESTION AS  
4 TO THE RELEVANCE OF THIS TESTIMONY TO THE ANTELOPE  
5 VALLEY AND THE QUESTION FOR THE COURT AS TO SAFE YIELD  
6 AND OVERDRAFT OF THE ANTELOPE VALLEY AREA OF  
7 ADJUDICATION.

8 IF YOU JUST CUT TO THE CHASE OF WHAT IS  
9 REALLY HAPPENING IS PHELAN WANTS TO BE SEPARATED OUT  
10 FROM THIS LAWSUIT, AND THAT IS WHAT REALLY WHAT THIS  
11 TESTIMONY IS PROBABLY DIRECTED TO. THE COURT HAS SAID  
12 ON NUMEROUS PREVIOUS OCCASIONS THAT IF -- IF THE COURT  
13 WOULD RECONSIDER ITS EARLIER DETERMINATION OF THE  
14 ANTELOPE VALLEY AREA OF ADJUDICATION BOUNDARIES IF ANY  
15 PARTY REQUESTED THE COURT TO DO THAT.

16 SO I THINK CERTAINLY THERE IS A MECHANISM  
17 FOR PHELAN TO MAKE APPLICATION TO THE COURT, ASK FOR  
18 HEARING FOR WHATEVER THEY WANT TO DO AND TO TRY AND MAKE  
19 A SHOWING THAT THEY SHOULD BE EXCLUDED FROM LAWSUIT.  
20 BUT IN TERMS OF THE CONTEXT OF THIS CASE AND THE  
21 RELEVANT ISSUES IN THIS CASE AS TO THE STATE OF SAFE  
22 YIELD AND OVERDRAFT OF THE ENTIRE BASIN SEEMS TO ME LIKE  
23 THE MOST THIS TESTIMONY PROBABLY IS NOT DIRECTED TO THAT  
24 AND I -- I WOULD THINK THAT IF WE REALLY WANT TO HAVE  
25 THAT DISCUSSION, WE NEED TO HAVE IT IN A DIFFERENT  
26 FORUM; AND WE NEED TO HAVE OTHER EXPERTS LOOKING AT IT  
27 AS WELL. AND MAYBE THERE WON'T BE A --

28 THE COURT: MY RECOLLECTION IS THAT WE CHOSE THE



1 LA COUNTY LINE AS THE ADJUDICATION AREA BORDER ON THE --  
2 I GUESS, IT IS THE EAST. AND THE REASON WE DID THAT WAS  
3 BECAUSE THERE WAS SUBSTANTIAL AMOUNT OF TESTIMONY THAT  
4 THERE WAS VERY NOMINAL FLOW FROM THE ANTELOPE VALLEY  
5 INTO THE MOJAVE HALF OF THE VALLEY OR DESERT AREA, SO  
6 THAT IT WAS PURELY A FLUKE THAT THIS WELL, AND I DON'T  
7 WANT TO JUMP TOO FAR AHEAD WITH ANY KIND OF A JUDGMENT  
8 IN THIS CASE ABOUT THAT, BUT IT WAS A FLUKE AS WELL  
9 HAPPENS TO BE RIGHT ON THE LINE. SO THAT IS -- IT IS  
10 BASICALLY PUMPING INTO AN AREA THAT DOES NOT HAVE A LOT  
11 OF CONDUCTIVITY WITH THE MOJAVE VALLEY, BUT IS BEING  
12 USED FOR THAT AREA.

13 SO I'M NOT -- I THINK MR. ZIMMER HAS GOT A  
14 POINT IN TERMS OF WHERE THIS OUGHT TO BE GOING, BUT I  
15 SUPPOSE THAT I NEED TO HEAR SOME EVIDENCE THAT REALLY  
16 RELATES TO THAT ISSUE BEFORE WE CAN MAKE THAT KIND OF A  
17 DECISION. AND IF THE COURT MAKES THAT KIND OF A  
18 DECISION, THEN, OBVIOUSLY, THERE IS GOING TO BE A LITTLE  
19 CUT AROUND THAT WELL SO THAT IT IS YOURS AND NOT THEIRS.

20 MR. MILIBAND: WELL, YOUR HONOR, FIRST, I DON'T  
21 NECESSARILY WANT TO INDULGE MR. ZIMMER'S COMMENT AT THIS  
22 POINT ABOUT WHAT PHELAN WANTS TO BE OR DOES NOT WANT TO  
23 BE IN THIS LAWSUIT. THE FACT IS WE ARE HERE. IN FACT,  
24 WE EVEN REQUESTED TO BECOME PART OF IT. IT IS TRUE,  
25 PROCEDURAL HISTORY BEHIND IT.

26 THE COURT: I REMEMBER THAT.

27 MR. MILIBAND: SO I DON'T EVEN WANT TO GO ANY  
28 FURTHER WITH THAT UNLESS THE COURT WISHES TO HAVE MORE

1 DISCUSSION ON THAT AT THIS POINT.

2 THE COURT: WHAT I DON'T WANT TO DO IS WASTE YOUR  
3 TIME OR ANYBODY ELSE'S TIME BY INDULGING IN AN EXTENSIVE  
4 EVALUATION THAT MAY NOT BE NECESSARY AT THIS POINT.

5 MR. MILIBAND: OUR APPROACH IS SIMPLER AND PERHAPS  
6 NOT ELICITED WELL ENOUGH AT THIS POINT, BUT THE IDEA IS  
7 THAT THE HYDROGEOLOGICAL BASIN OF THE ANTELOPE VALLEY  
8 NEEDS TO BE LOOKED AT, AT LEAST IN THIS PORTION TO HAVE  
9 A BETTER UNDERSTANDING AND ADDRESS THE COURT'S ISSUES  
10 THAT ARE PENDING AS TO OVERDRAFT, AND THAT IS WHY  
11 MR. HARDER HAS LOOKED SPECIFICALLY OVER THE COUNTY LINE  
12 TO BE ABLE TO ADDRESS WHAT THE HYDROGEOLOGIST -- WHAT  
13 THE HYDROGEOLOGICAL CONDITION IS OF THE BASIN.

14 THE COURT: THAT LEADS ME TO MAYBE WHERE WE SHOULD  
15 START AS AN OFFER OF PROOF OF WHAT IT IS YOU INTEND TO  
16 ESTABLISH BY TESTIMONY OF YOUR WITNESS AND WHATEVER  
17 OTHER DOCUMENTS THAT YOU HAVE.

18 MR. MILIBAND: THE OFFER OF PROOF, YOUR HONOR,  
19 WOULD BE ON THE FOUNDATIONAL MATTER THAT THIS AREA HAS  
20 NOT BEEN LOOKED AT BEFORE, BUT MR. HARDER DOES AGREE  
21 WITH THE ANTELOPE VALLEY GROUNDWATER BASIN AS IT IS  
22 DEFINED IN BULLETIN 118, WHICH THIS COURT PREVIOUSLY  
23 FOUND DOES DEFINE THE BASIN EVEN IF THAT DOES NOT DEFINE  
24 THE ADJUDICATION AREA, BUT TO ADDRESS THE SPECIFIC  
25 ISSUES PENDING FOR THIS PHASE OF TRIAL.

26 THE COURT: WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO PROVE?

27 MR. MILIBAND: MR. HARDER WOULD ULTIMATELY OPINE  
28 THAT OVERDRAFT MAY EXIST. I MIGHT NOT BE ARTICULATING

1 QUITE AS HE WOULD, BUT THE ESSENCE OF IT IS THAT AT  
2 LEAST IN THIS PORTION OF THE BASIN OVERDRAFT MAY EXIST.  
3 THAT IS CONSISTENT WITH THE COURT'S ORDER FROM  
4 NOVEMBER 19TH, 2010 IN WHICH THE COURT DID SAY THAT IT  
5 WOULD HEAR EVIDENCE OR MAY HEAR EVIDENCE WAS ACTUALLY  
6 THE COURT'S LANGUAGE AS TO VARIOUS CONDITIONS OF THE  
7 BASIN.

8 THE COURT: WELL, YOU CAN'T TALK ABOUT BASINS AND  
9 OVERDRAFT WITHOUT TALKING ABOUT THE WHOLE BASIN IN THAT  
10 SENSE BUT -- BECAUSE I HAVE MADE SOME FINDINGS ABOUT A  
11 SINGLE AQUIFER HERE.

12 MR. MILIBAND: THEN I SUPPOSE I WOULD LEAVE THAT  
13 TO THE COURT TO INTERPRET HOWEVER IT DEEMS APPROPRIATE,  
14 MR. HARDER'S OPINION AS TO WHETHER OVERDRAFT EXISTS JUST  
15 IN THIS PART POTENTIALLY OR TO ALL OF IT.

16 THE COURT: YOU JUST SAID YOU INTEND TO ESTABLISH  
17 THE THING IS -- OVERDRAFT DOES EXIST.

18 MR. MILIBAND: OR MAY EXIST.

19 THE COURT: WELL, SO FAR I HAVE -- DON'T WANT TO  
20 GET TOO FAR INTO THIS, BUT INFORMAL ARGUMENTS, FORMAL  
21 ARGUMENTS IN THE COURTROOM LAWYERS, I HAVE NOT HEARD  
22 ANYBODY SAY THERE IS NOT AN OVERDRAFT. I DON'T KNOW IF  
23 ANYONE HAS TRIED TO ESTABLISH THAT THERE ISN'T OR NOT AT  
24 THE MOMENT.

25 MR. ZIMMER: YOUR HONOR, IF I MAY GO BACK TWO  
26 THINGS: FIRST THE COURT ALREADY HAS MADE A  
27 DETERMINATION OF THE BASIN IN THIS CASE AND THE BASIN  
28 FOR PURPOSES OF THE DETERMINING WHETHER THERE IS

1 OVERDRAFT AND WHAT SAFE YIELD IS, IS THE FOCUS OF THIS  
2 TRIAL.

3 SECOND, THIS WITNESS WAS NOT DESIGNATED TO  
4 TESTIFY REGARDING OVERDRAFT IN THIS AREA OR ANYWHERE  
5 ELSE. HE WAS SIMPLY DESIGNATED TO TESTIFY ABOUT PUMPING  
6 FROM WELL 14.

7 THIRD, THE EXPERT REPORT PROVIDED BY THIS  
8 WITNESS ATTACHED TO HIS EXPERT DECLARATION DOES NOT  
9 MENTION THE WORD OVERDRAFT OR SAFE YIELD ANYWHERE.

10 THIRD OR FORTH, WHEREVER I AM, WOULD BE  
11 COMPLETELY UNFAIR TO MR. KUHS' CLIENT WHO WOULD --  
12 PRECLUDED FROM TALKING ABOUT OVERDRAFT IN SEPARATE AREAS  
13 OF THE BASIN TO NOW ALLOW MR. MILIBAND TO GO INTO THAT  
14 ISSUE IN SEPARATE AREAS OF THE BASIN AS IF IT WAS A  
15 SEPARATE AQUIFER WHICH IT IS NOT.

16 TAKING ME BACK TO MY INITIAL POINT, AND THAT  
17 IS WHAT WE ARE REALLY TRYING TO DO HERE WITH --  
18 MR. MILIBAND IS REALLY TRYING TO DO IS TO EXCISE PHELAN  
19 FROM THIS BASIN. IF HE WANTS TO TRY TO EXCISE PHELAN  
20 FROM THIS AREA OF THE BASIN, THEN, HE HAS TO MAKE THE  
21 APPROPRIATE MOTION WITH APPROPRIATE ISSUES BEFORE THE  
22 COURT AND HAVE THAT ISSUE HEARD, BUT THAT IS NOT WHAT  
23 THE ISSUE IS HERE.

24 MR. MILIBAND: YOUR HONOR, I WILL INDULGE THAT  
25 LAST COMMENT ONLY TO THE EXTENT TO SAY THAT IS NOT MY  
26 INTENT. WE ARE HERE TO EXCISE OUR -- OUR OPPORTUNITY TO  
27 PRESENT EVIDENCE AS WE DEEM APPROPRIATE FOR SUBJECT TO  
28 THE COURT'S RULINGS BUT AS WE DEEM APPROPRIATE TO THESE

1 ISSUES PENDING BEFORE THE COURT.

2 MR. WILLIAM KUHS: YOUR HONOR, MAY I BE HEARD  
3 BRIEFLY?

4 THE COURT: YES.

5 MR. WILLIAM KUHS: I WAS A PROPONENT BACK AT THE  
6 CASE MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE IN NOVEMBER OF AN AMENDMENT  
7 TO YOUR PRIOR HONOR'S ORDER DEALING WITH SCOPE OF THE  
8 PHASE III TRIAL. I PROPOSED AT THAT POINT IN TIME  
9 THAT -- I'LL CALL THEM REGIONAL ISSUES, THAT IS THE  
10 EFFECT OF PUMPING IN ONE PORTION OF THE AQUIFER AND ITS  
11 EFFECT ON OTHER PORTIONS.

12 I WAS A PROPONENT TO CARVE THAT OUT TO A  
13 LATER PHASE SO THAT WE DEALT WITH THE BASIN AS A WHOLE  
14 IN PHASE III. YOUR HONOR'S ORDER -- AND I THINK MOST OF  
15 THE OTHER COUNSEL THAT I TALKED TO WERE AGREEABLE TO  
16 CARVING THAT ISSUE OUT. YOUR HONOR'S ORDER LEFT SOME OF  
17 US IN A DILEMMA BECAUSE YOUR HONOR'S ORDER SAID PEOPLE  
18 MAY -- PARTIES MAY INTRODUCE EVIDENCE INDICATING THE  
19 EFFECT OF PUMPING IN ONE PORTION OF THE BASIN ON OTHERS.

20 SO TEJON, FOR EXAMPLE, WAS IN A DILEMMA  
21 ABOUT PHRASE III AND THAT ISSUE AND BY NECESSITY IS  
22 PREPARED TO OFFER EVIDENCE OF THE EFFECT OF PUMPING IN  
23 WHAT WE CALL THE WEST BASIN ON THE BALANCE OF THE BASIN,  
24 BUT YOUR ORDER DID NOT GO TO THE POINT OF SAYING --  
25 BECAUSE I DON'T KNOW THAT THERE'S ANY SUCH DEFINITION OF  
26 REGIONAL OVERDRAFT AS A LEGAL PROPOSITION.

27 THE COURT: I DON'T KNOW WHAT THAT WOULD BE.

28 MR. WILLIAM KUHS: SO TO TALK ABOUT OVERDRAFT IN A

1 PORTION OF THE BASIN, I DON'T THINK LEADS THIS COURT TO  
2 ANY -- SHEDS ANY LIGHT ON WHAT YOUR HONOR'S  
3 RESPONSIBILITY IS GOING TO BE AT THE END OF PHASE III.

4 THE COURT: WELL, ULTIMATELY, THE DIFFERENCES IN  
5 THE WATER LEVELS AT VARIOUS PARTS OF THE VALLEY EVEN  
6 THOUGH THERE MAY BE CONDUCTIVITY MAY RESULT IN DIFFERENT  
7 MANAGEMENT ORDERS WITH REGARD TO THOSE AREAS AND -- BUT  
8 AS LONG AS THEY ARE CONNECTED USING LAY TERMS, THEN IT  
9 SEEMS TO ME IF -- IF A SINGLE AQUIFER AND IF THE COURT  
10 IS GOING TO EXERCISE EQUITABLE JURISDICTION OVER THE  
11 AQUIFER, IT HAS GOT TO INCLUDE EVERYBODY WITHIN THAT,  
12 NOT KNOWING TO WHAT EXTENT THERE WILL BE THOSE  
13 DIFFERENCES.

14 AND I GUESS THE THING THAT I'M CONCERNED  
15 ABOUT NOW IS NOT SPENDING TOO MUCH TIME TALKING ABOUT  
16 THE DIFFERENCES, AND I GUESS THAT WAS WHAT YOU ASKED TO  
17 BE SEPARATED OUT, AND IT WAS MY UNDERSTANDING THAT  
18 ESSENTIALLY WE WERE; BUT I DID NOT KNOW WHAT THE  
19 TESTIMONY OR EVIDENCE WAS GOING TO BE WITH REGARD TO THE  
20 VARIOUS LEVELS OF WATER WITHIN THE AQUIFER.

21 WE HAVE A LOT OF TESTIMONY ABOUT CONTOURS  
22 NOW FROM ONE SIDE AND I EXPECT TO HEAR FURTHER EVIDENCE  
23 ABOUT THAT FROM THE OTHER SIDE. AND THAT IS WHY I  
24 DIDN'T SAY WE ARE NOT GOING TO HEAR DIFFERENCES IN  
25 PUMPING ABOUT VARIOUS SECTIONS OF THE WELL.

26 MR. WILLIAM KUHS: BUT ONLY FOCUSED ON THIS  
27 WITNESS THEN, BUT TO THE POINT OF TRYING TO GET AN OFFER  
28 OF PROOF AND WHAT THE OFFER MAY BE IF THE OFFER IS SOME

1 SORT OF REGIONAL OVERDRAFT, I THINK THAT IS IRRELEVANT  
2 AND NOT A PROPER SUBJECT IN PHASE III.

3 MR. MILIBAND: YOUR HONOR, THE SIMPLEST WAY TO  
4 ADDRESS THAT IS THE STUDY AREA THAT MR. HARDER STUDIED  
5 FOR THE ANTELOPE VALLEY, AT LEAST THE PORTION OF THE  
6 STUDY AREA THAT'S THE ANTELOPE VALLEY GROUNDWATER BASIN.  
7 NOW IF SOMEONE WANTS TO SAY THAT IS SUB-REGIONALIZING OR  
8 GETTING AHEAD, SO BE IT. BUT OUR INTENTION, UNLIKE  
9 MR. KUHS'S CLIENT, ISN'T TO BE REMOVED FROM THE  
10 ADJUDICATION AND OUR --

11 MR. WILLIAM KUHS: I OBJECT TO THE  
12 CHARACTERIZATION OF WHAT MY CLIENT'S INTENTION IS  
13 BECAUSE THIS COUNSEL HAS ABSOLUTELY NO KNOWLEDGE OF MY  
14 CLIENT'S INTENTION.

15 MR. MILIBAND: CERTAINLY NO OFFENSE INTENDED, BUT  
16 FORGIVE THE MISCHARACTERIZATION FOR WHATEVER EXTENT IT  
17 EXISTS. THE BOTTOM LINE IS THAT WE ARE JUST LOOKING TO  
18 MAKE THIS OFFER OF PROOF AND ACTUALLY SUBMIT THE  
19 TESTIMONY THROUGH MR. HARDER AS IT RELATES TO THE  
20 ANTELOPE VALLEY GROUNDWATER BASIN IN HIS STUDY AREA.

21 IT IS REALLY THAT SIMPLE, YOUR HONOR. AND  
22 IF SOME IS GOING TO LOOK AT IT AND SAY THAT THAT'S NOT  
23 APPROPRIATE AT THIS PHASE, I WOULD SUBMIT THAT  
24 MR. HARDER SHOULDN'T BE PRECLUDED FROM SAYING THAT  
25 SIMPLY BECAUSE THE STUDY AREA IS CONFINED TO ONLY A  
26 PORTION OF THE ANTELOPE VALLEY GROUNDWATER BASIN.

27 THE COURT: WELL, HIS -- HIS STUDY AREA, IF I'M  
28 LOOKING AT THIS CORRECTLY, STOPS AT THE COUNTY LINE; IS

1 THAT RIGHT?

2 MR. MILIBAND: NO, SIR. IT IS -- IT IS WHAT --  
3 HIS STUDY AREA IS ILLUSTRATED BY EXHIBIT H2. I'M  
4 POINTING AT H3, THAT IS THE DEMONSTRATIVE EVIDENCE HERE  
5 IN THE COURTROOM, BUT EXHIBIT H2 ILLUSTRATES THE STUDY  
6 AREA.

7 THE COURT: THE ENTIRE PICTURE IS THE STUDY AREA?

8 MR. MILIBAND: YES, IT IS. BUT HIS OPINION AS TO  
9 OVERDRAFT RELATES TO THE ANTELOPE VALLEY GROUNDWATER  
10 BASIN.

11 MR. EVERTZ: YOUR HONOR, DOUG EVERTZ FOR THE CITY  
12 OF LANCASTER AND ROSAMOND COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT.  
13 I WAS CONFERRING WITH MR. BUNN AND MR. DUNN, IF I MAY  
14 APPROACH? WE WERE ALL INVOLVED IN THE MOJAVE RIVER  
15 ADJUDICATION. THIS AREA, SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY, THAT  
16 IS, APPARENTLY IS PART OF THE ANTELOPE VALLEY  
17 GROUNDWATER BASIN ACCORDING TO THIS EXHIBIT -- PART OF  
18 THE ADJUDICATION AREA IN THE MOJAVE RIVER ADJUDICATION  
19 SO THE EXCESSIVE BROWN AREA IN THE SAN BERNARDINO  
20 SECTION OF THIS EXHIBIT.

21 THE COURT: LET ME GET THAT EXHIBIT.

22 MR. MILIBAND: THAT IS H3, YOUR HONOR.

23 THE COURT: YEAH, I SEE IT.

24 MR. EVERTZ: H3 REFERENCES THE ANTELOPE VALLEY  
25 GROUNDWATER BASIN IN BROWN, PORTIONS OF WHICH ARE IN SAN  
26 BERNARDINO COUNTY. THIS AREA IN SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY  
27 THAT IS IDENTIFIED AS BEING PART OF THE ANTELOPE VALLEY  
28 GROUNDWATER BASIN SUBJECT TO THE JURISDICTION OF THE



1 COURT IN MOJAVE RIVER ADJUDICATION.

2 MR. MILIBAND: TWO THINGS, YOUR HONOR.

3 MR. EVERTZ: THAT IS THE REASON THE LINE WAS DRAWN  
4 HERE.

5 THE COURT: YES, THAT IS CORRECT.

6 MR. MILIBAND: TWO THINGS, IF I MAY, YOUR HONOR.  
7 THIS AREA WAS NOT -- AND I DON'T HAVE PERSONAL KNOWLEDGE  
8 AS TO FULL EXTENT OF HOW THAT WAS ADJUDICATED IN MOJAVE,  
9 BUT I DO KNOW GENERALLY WHAT HAS BEEN REPRESENTED TO ME  
10 THAT THIS AREA WAS NOT LOOKED AT. ESSENTIALLY WAS  
11 ADJUDICATED TO THE LINE WITHOUT ANY KIND OF -- ANY KIND  
12 OF CONSIDERATION FOR THE NEEDS IN THAT AREA.

13 AND TWO, THE PURPOSE HERE IS TO ADDRESS THE  
14 COURT'S QUESTION ABOUT THE CONDITION OF THE ANTELOPE  
15 VALLEY GROUNDWATER BASIN; AND TO DO THAT, WE SUBMIT THAT  
16 THE COURT NEEDS TO HEAR EVIDENCE ABOUT THE ENTIRE  
17 HYDROGEOLOGICAL ANTELOPE VALLEY GROUNDWATER BASIN.

18 THAT IS THE BASIS AND THE PURPOSE FOR WHICH  
19 WE HAVE OFFERED EXHIBITS AND INTEND TO ELICIT TESTIMONY  
20 ABOUT PARTS -- THIS PART OF THE BASIN THAT IS EAST OF  
21 THE ADJUDICATION AREA.

22 THE COURT: BUT YOU ARE ASKING THE COURT TO HEAR  
23 EVIDENCE CONCERNING THE MOJAVE VALLEY.

24 MR. MILIBAND: NO, WHAT WE ARE ASKING FOR IS FOR  
25 THE COURT TO HEAR ABOUT THE HYDROGEOLOGICAL ANTELOPE  
26 GROUNDWATER BASIN THAT HAPPENS TO BE overlain BY THE  
27 MOJAVE ADJUDICATION AREA.

28 THE COURT: BUT THAT WAS NOT THE ADJUDICATION

1 AREA, DID NOT GO INTO MOJAVE VALLEY.

2 MR. MILIBAND: I UNDERSTAND, BUT AGAIN WHAT THE  
3 PURPOSE FOR WHICH WE ARE OFFERING THIS IS TO HELP THE  
4 COURT IN MAKING A DETERMINATION AS TO WHAT THE CONDITION  
5 OF THE ANTELOPE VALLEY GROUNDWATER BASIN IS; AND TO DO  
6 THAT, MR. HARDER'S OPINION IS THAT THE COURT WOULD NEED  
7 TO HEAR EVIDENCE AS TO THE ENTIRE ANTELOPE VALLEY  
8 GROUNDWATER BASIN FROM A HYDROGEOLOGICAL PERSPECTIVE.

9 THE COURT: BUT YOU ARE EXPANDING THAT BEYOND THE  
10 ADJUDICATION BOUNDARIES. YOU ARE GOING WELL INTO MOJAVE  
11 COUNTY, AREN'T YOU, SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY?

12 MR. MILIBAND: IT DOES GO INTO SAN BERNARDINO  
13 COUNTY, BUT WE ARE NOT BEYOND EL MIRAGE. THE STUDY AREA  
14 IS AS LARGE AS DEPICTED IN H2.

15 THE COURT: THAT'S MY CONCERN.

16 MR. MILIBAND: BUT THE OPINION AS TO OVERDRAFT  
17 RELATES TO DATA AND INFORMATION COMPILED AND ANALYZED BY  
18 MR. HARDER AS IT RELATES STRICTLY TO THE ANTELOPE VALLEY  
19 GROUNDWATER BASIN.

20 THE COURT: THAT'S NOT WHAT I JUST HEARD. WHAT I  
21 HEARD WAS THAT THE PHELAN SERVICE DISTRICT WHERE ALL THE  
22 RETURN FLOWS WERE COMING FROM SEPTIC TANKS, AND I'M  
23 ASSUMING THAT HE IS GOING TO BE TALKING ABOUT  
24 GROUNDWATER LEVELS IN THAT AREA. AND, FRANKLY, THE  
25 EVIDENCE THAT I HAVE HEARD THUS FAR MAKES THAT  
26 IRRELEVANT BECAUSE THERE IS NOMINAL IMPACT INTO THE  
27 ANTELOPE VALLEY FROM THAT AREA.

28 NOW THIS IS RE-OPENING ISSUES THAT WERE

1 DECIDED AT THE TIME THE COURT, FIRST OF ALL, MADE ITS  
2 DETERMINATION OF WHO IS GOING TO BE INVOLVED IN THE  
3 ADJUDICATION AND WE WERE TRYING TO PUT SOME REASONABLE  
4 LIMITS ON IT BASED UPON THE REAL WORLD; AND THEN,  
5 SECONDLY, BASED UPON THE FACT THAT THERE WAS VERY  
6 NOMINAL INTERRELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE GROUNDWATER ON  
7 EITHER SIDE OF THAT LINE.

8 IN OTHER WORDS, IT WAS FAIRLY STATIC ON BOTH  
9 SIDES OF THE LINE SUCH THAT IT WOULD BE REASONABLE TO  
10 CUT IT OFF AT THAT POINT.

11 AND AM I REMEMBERING CORRECTLY?

12 MR. WILLIAM KUHS: YES, YOUR HONOR.

13 MR. JOYCE: YES, YOUR HONOR.

14 MR. MILIBAND: BUT THAT MAY NOT BE SO NOW. AND  
15 MR. HARDER COULD TESTIFY AS TO WHAT THE GROUNDWATER FLOW  
16 DIVIDE IS. AGAIN, IT'S THE HYDROGEOLOGICAL BASIN  
17 ITSELF.

18 THE COURT: WELL, FIRST OF ALL, I DON'T BELIEVE  
19 THAT IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE FOR THIS COURT TO EXPAND  
20 THE JURISDICTION OF THE ADJUDICATION AREA TO INCLUDE  
21 MOJAVE OR SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY. THERE IS AN  
22 ADJUDICATION THAT HAS OCCURRED THERE. AS I UNDERSTAND  
23 IT, THE COURT HAS CONTINUING JURISDICTION IN THAT  
24 MATTER.

25 AND I DON'T THINK THAT IT'S IN ANYBODY'S  
26 BEST INTEREST AT THIS POINT TO EXPAND THIS LITIGATION BY  
27 JOINING WITH THAT ADJUDICATION. I THINK THAT WOULD TAKE  
28 US INTO THE 22ND CENTURY.

1 MR. MILIBAND: WE ARE NOT ASKING FOR THAT, YOUR  
2 HONOR.

3 THE COURT: I KNOW YOU ARE NOT.  
4

5 (LAUGHTER)  
6

7 THE COURT: I'M NOT GOING THERE ONE WAY OR  
8 ANOTHER.

9 MR. ZIMMER: PROBABLY NONE OF US ARE GOING INTO  
10 THE 22ND CENTURY.

11 THE COURT: ALTHOUGH I WOULDN'T MIND. SO,  
12 SERIOUSLY, I GUESS WHAT I WOULD BE INTERESTED IN HEARING  
13 FROM YOU AND YOUR CLIENT IS A MOTION DESCRIBING WHAT IT  
14 IS THAT YOU WANT THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN YOUR SERVICE  
15 DISTRICT AND ANTELOPE VALLEY ADJUDICATION TO BE.

16 PERHAPS SOME TESTIMONY CONCERNING WATER  
17 LEVELS IN THE WELL NUMBER 14, A POSSIBILITY THAT YOU  
18 WOULD LIKE TO BE EXCLUDED FROM THIS ADJUDICATION IF THAT  
19 IS YOUR DESIRE. BUT WHAT I DO NOT WANT NOW IS TO START  
20 GETTING INTO TESTIMONY CONCERNING GROUNDWATER LEVELS  
21 THAT EXTEND OUTSIDE OF THIS ADJUDICATION AREA, NOR DO I  
22 WANT TO IN ANTICIPATION, I THINK AT THIS POINT, IS THAT  
23 WE COULD RUN OUT OF TIME LONG BEFORE WE GET THERE TO GO  
24 MUCH BEYOND AN UNDERSTANDING OF WHAT IS HAPPENING WITH  
25 WELL 14 AND WHETHER THERE IS A PUMPING DEPRESSION THERE  
26 OR WHETHER IT IS BLOWING OFF SIGNIFICANT WATER FROM THE  
27 VALLEY ADJUDICATION AREA SUCH THAT THE COURT WANTS TO  
28 START MANAGING THAT WELL, OR NOT.

1 MR. WILLIAM KUHS: YOUR HONOR, MY CONCERN BECAUSE  
2 THERE HAS BEEN AMBIGUITY USING THE PHRASE ANTELOPE  
3 VALLEY GROUNDWATER BASIN AS DISTINGUISHED FROM ANTELOPE  
4 VALLEY AREA OF ADJUDICATION. AND I AM GETTING THE  
5 DISTINCT FEELING THAT THIS IS A DISGUISED EFFORT TO  
6 BRING IN A WITNESS TO TESTIFY TO SAFE YIELD AND  
7 OVERDRAFT IN THE ENTIRE ANTELOPE VALLEY AREA OF  
8 ADJUDICATION. A WITNESS THAT WAS NOT DISCLOSED FOR THAT  
9 PURPOSE AND SOME OF US INTENTIONALLY DID NOT ATTEND HIS  
10 DEPOSITION -- NOBODY ATTENDED HIS DEPOSITION.

11 MR. MILIBAND: BECAUSE NOBODY NOTICED IT.

12 MR. ZIMMER: THAT DEPOSITION WAS NOT NOTICED  
13 BECAUSE THERE WAS A DESIGNATION THAT DID NOT HAVE  
14 ANYTHING TO DO WITH OVERDRAFT OR SAFE YIELD AND IT ONLY  
15 DEALT WITH WELL 14 WHICH NOBODY REALLY WAS CONCERNED  
16 ABOUT.

17 MR. JOYCE: AND MORE SPECIFICALLY, YOUR HONOR, THE  
18 ACTUAL REPORT APPENDED WITH THE DESIGNATIONS MENTIONED  
19 NOTHING ABOUT OVERDRAFT OR SAFE YIELD.

20 THE COURT: LET ME SEE YOUR DESIGNATION, YOUR  
21 DISCLOSURE AGAIN, PLEASE.

22 MR. MILIBAND: MAY I APPROACH THE CLERK, YOUR  
23 HONOR?

24 THE COURT: YES. ALL RIGHT. THE DISCLOSURE AS  
25 I'M READING IT SAYS THIS: THAT MR. HARDER WILL TESTIFY  
26 REGARDING THE HYDROGEOLOGICAL SETTINGS OF THE PHELAN  
27 SERVICE AREA. THAT IS NUMBER ONE.

28 THAT IS ESSENTIALLY IRRELEVANT BECAUSE THE

1 SERVICE AREA IS NOT WITHIN THE AREA OF ADJUDICATION.

2 AND GROUNDWATER EXTRACTIONS FROM THE  
3 PROPOSED AREA OF ADJUDICATION BY PHELAN VIA WELL 14 THAT  
4 IS CERTAINLY WOULD HAVE SOME RELEVANCE, AND THE EFFECT  
5 OF PUMPING FROM WELL 14 ON GROUNDWATER LEVELS AND  
6 GROUNDWATER FLOW IN THE AREA OF ADJUDICATION. YOU HAVE  
7 INDICATED OTHER PHELAN WELLS. I AM NOT SURE THAT THAT  
8 IS REALLY PERTINENT GIVEN THE FINDINGS THE COURT HAS  
9 MADE UNLESS YOU ARE GOING TO TRY TO EXPAND THE AREA OF  
10 ADJUDICATION.

11 SO AT THIS POINT, IT SEEMS TO ME THAT  
12 PERHAPS YOUR CLIENT SHOULD REFOCUS WHERE IT REALLY WANTS  
13 TO GO WITH THIS, PARTICIPATION IN THIS LITIGATION. I  
14 HAVE NO PROBLEM HEARING EVIDENCE CONCERNING WHATEVER  
15 LEVELS AT WELL 14 THAT MAY HAVE SOME VALUE HERE; BUT  
16 BEYOND THAT, I DON'T THINK THAT -- THAT HE HAS BEEN  
17 DISCLOSED ADEQUATELY ON THE AREAS THAT YOU HAVE OFFERED  
18 AS AN OFFER OF PROOF.

19 EFFECTIVE PUMPING FROM WELL 14 ON THE  
20 GROUNDWATER LEVELS, I WOULD BE HAPPY TO HEAR THAT.

21 MR. MILIBAND: UNDERSTOOD, YOUR HONOR, A COUPLE OF  
22 NOTES I WOULD LIKE TO MAKE ARE, NUMBER ONE: I MEAN  
23 PHELAN IS FOCUSSED ON WHAT IT WANTS, AND IT'S NOT AS IT  
24 IS SUGGESTED OR STATED OR IMPLIED BY OTHER COUNSEL HERE  
25 TODAY.

26 THE OTHER THING THAT IS MR. HARDER HAS BEEN  
27 AVAILABLE FOR DEPOSITION. HE CLEARLY IS QUALIFIED TO  
28 TALK ABOUT ALL THESE DIFFERENT ISSUES THAT HAVE BEEN THE

1 SUBJECT OF TESTIMONY FOR THESE MANY WEEKS.

2 BUT, AGAIN, OUR TRIAL BRIEF THAT PROVIDED A  
3 BLUE PRINT OF WHAT TODAY'S TESTIMONY WOULD HAVE BEEN, SO  
4 PERHAPS A LOT OF TIME AND CONCERN AND WHATNOT COULD HAVE  
5 BEEN SAVED HAD THAT BEEN GIVEN THE APPROPRIATE  
6 ATTENTION.

7 BUT MORE IMPORTANTLY, MR. HARDER, I DO  
8 OFFER, COULD TESTIFY AS TO GROUNDWATER LEVELS WITHIN THE  
9 ADJUDICATION AREA, WHETHER IT RELATES TO WELL 14 OR  
10 OTHER WELLS GENERALLY IN THAT AREA.

11 THE COURT: YES, BUT I DON'T THINK THAT I WANT TO  
12 HEAR EVIDENCE CONCERNING THE WELLS THAT ARE IN THE  
13 PHELAN SERVICES DISTRICT TODAY.

14 MR. MILIBAND: I UNDERSTAND, YOUR HONOR, BUT I  
15 MEAN OTHER WELLS WITHIN THE ADJUDICATION AREA THAT ARE  
16 NOT PHELAN WELLS. JUST WELLS THAT DO PUMP FROM THE  
17 BASIN WITHIN THE ADJUDICATION AREA.

18 MR. SLOAN: YOUR HONOR, WILLIAM SLOAN FOR U.S.  
19 BORAX. I BELIEVE THAT IS OUTSIDE THE SCOPE OF HIS  
20 DESIGNATION. THAT IS PRECISELY THE PROBLEM THAT WE ARE  
21 HAVING. WE KEEP HEARING AN OFFER OF PROOF THAT HE IS  
22 GOING TO OFFER TESTIMONY ABOUT THIS AREA. AND THAT AREA  
23 IS NOT PROBATIVE FOR WHAT WE ARE DOING HERE WHICH IS  
24 WHETHER OR NOT THE ENTIRE ADJUDICATION AREA IS IN  
25 OVERDRAFT.

26 THE COURT: WELL, THE DESIGNATION WAS FOR WELL 14  
27 AND OTHER WELLS THAT PHELAN PUMPS FROM IN THE VALLEY,  
28 BUT THEY ARE NOT WITHIN THE ADJUDICATION AREA. SO THAT

1 FROM THE EFFECT OF PUMPING FROM THESE WELLS ON THE  
2 ANTELOPE VALLEY AND I JUST -- I WANT YOUR CLIENT TO HAVE  
3 DUE PROCESS. I DON'T WANT TO FORECLOSE PARTICIPATION IN  
4 THIS LITIGATION IN ANY WAY, BUT I DON'T THINK WE ARE AT  
5 THE POINT WHERE IT WOULD BE FAIR TO ANYBODY TO START  
6 HEARING THAT EVIDENCE CONCERNING THE PHELAN DISTRICT AND  
7 WHAT IS GOING ON IN THERE IN THAT DISTRICT. WELL 14 IS  
8 OBVIOUSLY A RELEVANT WELL. I DON'T KNOW HOW MATERIAL  
9 THAT IS, BUT IT IS RELEVANT. AND OFFERING TESTIMONY  
10 ABOUT THAT WITH -- WOULD BE OF SOME VALUE, I SUPPOSE.

11 MR. MILIBAND: ALL RIGHT. THEN, YOUR HONOR, TO  
12 TRY TO MOVE IT ALONG, I WOULD BE HAPPY TO ASK THE NEXT  
13 QUESTION. IF SOMEONE WANTS TO OBJECT, THEY WILL OBJECT,  
14 AND I WILL DEAL WITH IT.

15 THE COURT: THEN YOU MAY PROCEED.

16 MR. MILIBAND: THANK YOU, YOUR HONOR.

17 Q MR. HARDER, CAN I DIRECT YOUR ATTENTION TO  
18 WHAT HAS BEEN PREMARKED FOR IDENTIFICATION PURPOSES AS  
19 EXHIBIT H4.

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21 (PHELAN PINON HILLS EXHIBIT H4  
22 PREMARKED.)

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24 BY MR. MILIBAND:

25 Q WAS THIS EXHIBIT PREPARED BY YOU OR AT YOUR  
26 DIRECTION, MR. HARDER?

27 A YES.

28 Q WHAT DATE OR INFORMATION WAS USED TO



1 ASSEMBLE EXHIBIT H4?

2 MR. ZIMMER: OBJECTION, RELEVANCE, YOUR HONOR, IN  
3 THE ABSENCE OF SOME INDICATION THAT THIS IS TO WELL 14.

4 THE COURT: AT THIS POINT I'M GOING TO OVERRULE.

5 THE WITNESS: THE DATA THAT WAS USED TO DEVELOP  
6 THIS CONTOUR MAP ARE GROUNDWATER LEVELS FROM U.S.  
7 GEOLOGICAL SURVEY WELLS AND PHELAN'S WELLS.

8 BY MR. MILIBAND:

9 Q HOW WAS THIS EXHIBIT PREPARED?

10 A THIS IS A GROUNDWATER CONTOUR MAP THAT SHOWS  
11 LINES OF EQUAL GROUNDWATER ELEVATION. IT WAS PREPARED  
12 BY TAKING THE ELEVATIONS THAT CONTROL ELEVATIONS AT  
13 THOSE WELLS FROM MARCH OF 2010 AND CONTOURING THE DATA,  
14 INTERPRETING THE WATER LEVEL, THE CONTOURS BETWEEN THE  
15 POINTS OF CONTROL.

16 Q WHAT DOES EXHIBIT H4 ILLUSTRATE AS IT  
17 RELATES TO THE ANTELOPE VALLEY ADJUDICATION AREA?

18 MR. WILLIAM KUHS: OBJECT AS IRRELEVANT. BEYOND  
19 SCOPE OF HIS DESIGNATION.

20 MR. ZIMMER: I MISSED THE QUESTION. COULD I HAVE  
21 IT READ BACK?

22 THE COURT: YES.

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24 (RECORD READ.)

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26 MR. ZIMMER: I JOIN MR. KUHS'S OBJECTION. IT IS  
27 ALSO VAGUE.

28 THE COURT: WELL, HE CAN ANSWER.

1 THE WITNESS: THIS EXHIBIT SHOWS GROUNDWATER FLOW  
2 DIRECTIONS IN THE VICINITY OF THE COUNTY LINE, AND WHAT  
3 IT SHOWS IS THAT GROUNDWATER FLOW IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY  
4 GROUNDWATER BASIN ON THE EAST SIDE OF THE LINE FLOWS TO  
5 THE NORTH AND NORTHWEST AND ULTIMATELY INTO ANTELOPE  
6 VALLEY ADJUDICATION AREA. WHAT THAT MEANS IS THAT FOR  
7 WELL 14 --

8 MR. WILLIAM KUHS: OBJECT AS NONRESPONSIVE AT THIS  
9 POINT.

10 THE COURT: ASK THE NEXT QUESTION.

11 BY MR. MILIBAND:

12 Q MR. HARDER, DOES EXHIBIT H4 DEPICT ANYTHING  
13 ELSE IN ADDITION TO WHAT YOU HAVE ALREADY DESCRIBED?

14 A WELL, IT SHOWS WELL 14'S LOCATION WITH  
15 RESPECT TO THE FLOW LINES.

16 Q HOW SO?

17 A WELL 14 IS LOCATED BY THE YELLOW DOT RIGHT  
18 HERE, SO GROUNDWATER FLOW UPGRADIENT IT IS RECEIVING  
19 RECHARGE FROM THE MOUNTAIN FRONT AND UPGRADIENT  
20 INCLUDING THE AREA OF THE ANTELOPE VALLEY GROUNDWATER  
21 BASIN, AND IT IS INTERCEPTING GROUNDWATER THAT WOULD  
22 OTHERWISE FLOW DOWN-GRADIENT AND INTO THE ADJUDICATION  
23 AREA.

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25 (PHELAN PINON HILLS EXHIBIT H5  
26 PREMARKED.)  
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1 BY MR. MILIBAND:

2 Q MR. HARDER, IF I COULD DIRECT YOUR ATTENTION  
3 TO WHAT HAS BEEN PREMARKED FOR IDENTIFICATION PURPOSES  
4 AS H5. SIR, WOULD YOU PLEASE DESCRIBE -- FIRST OF ALL,  
5 DID YOU HAVE THIS EXHIBIT PREPARED BY YOURSELF OR AT  
6 YOUR DIRECTION?

7 A IT WAS PREPARED AT MY DIRECTION.

8 Q WHAT DATE OR INFORMATION WAS USED TO PREPARE  
9 THIS EXHIBIT?

10 A WELL, WHAT THIS EXHIBIT SHOWS ARE  
11 GROUNDWATER LEVELS --

12 MR. WILLIAM KUHS: OBJECTION, NONRESPONSIVE.

13 MR. ZIMMER: IT IS NONRESPONSIVE AND IRRELEVANT.  
14 THE QUESTION WAS SOMETHING DIFFERENT.

15 THE COURT: WELL, THE QUESTION WAS WHAT DOES THIS  
16 EXHIBIT SHOW.

17 MR. ZIMMER: I THOUGHT THE QUESTION WAS SOMETHING  
18 ELSE.

19 THE COURT: THERE WERE TWO PARTS OF IT.

20 MR. MILIBAND: I'LL WITHDRAW AND START OVER.

21 Q MR. HARDER, WHAT DATA OR INFORMATION WAS  
22 USED TO ASSEMBLE THIS EXHIBIT?

23 A THE DATA ARE GROUNDWATER LEVELS FROM WELLS  
24 LOCATED WITHIN THE STUDY AREA.

25 Q HOW WAS THIS EXHIBIT PREPARED?

26 A THE EXHIBIT WAS PREPARED BY DEVELOPING  
27 HYDROGRAPHS OF WATER LEVELS OVER TIME FOR INDIVIDUAL  
28 WELLS AND THEN APPLYING THOSE. AND WHAT IT SHOWS ARE

1 HYDROGRAPHS. THE HYDROGRAPHS POINT TO THE INDIVIDUAL  
2 WELLS FOR WHICH THEY REPRESENT.

3 MR. ZIMMER: OBJECTION, YOUR HONOR, IRRELEVANT  
4 UNLESS THEY ARE PHELAN WELLS BEYOND THE SCOPE OF EXPERT  
5 DESIGNATION AND EXPERT REPORT. MOTION TO STRIKE.

6 THE COURT: WELL, HE HAS GOT FIVE WELLS ON HERE.  
7 FIVE HYDROGRAPHS, BUT ONE OF THEM IS WELL 14.

8 MR. ZIMMER: MOTION TO STRIKE ALL BUT WELL 14.

9 MR. ROBERT KUHS: YOUR HONOR, IF I READ THAT  
10 EXHIBIT CORRECTLY, I DON'T THINK THERE IS A HYDROGRAPH  
11 OF WELL 14. HYDROGRAPH OF THE WELL DUE EAST OF WELL 14.

12 MR. MILIBAND: I COULD CLARIFY.

13 Q MR. HARDER, IS THERE A HYDROGRAPH ON THIS  
14 EXHIBIT OF WELL 14?

15 A NO.

16 Q WHAT ARE THESE HYDROGRAPHS?

17 MR. ZIMMER: WELL, I'LL RENEW MY OBJECTION.

18 THE COURT: OBJECTION SUSTAINED.

19 MR. ZIMMER: MOTION TO STRIKE.

20 THE COURT: OH, I SEE -- WELL, YEAH. THERE IS  
21 HYDROGRAPH AT WELL 14 ANY WHERE?

22 MR. MILIBAND: NOT ON THIS, YOUR HONOR. AND IN  
23 RESPONSE TO THE MOTION TO STRIKE.

24 MR. ZIMMER: IT IS ELSEWHERE.

25 MR. MILIBAND: TO RESPOND, YOUR HONOR.

26 MR. ZIMMER: SORRY.

27 MR. MILIBAND: HE WAS DESIGNATED TO SPEAK TO THE  
28 HYDROGEOLOGICAL CONDITIONS IN THE BASIN. THESE

1 HYDROGRAPHS SPEAK TO THAT.

2 THE COURT: HE ALSO HAS WELLS THAT ARE NOT IN THE  
3 ANTELOPE VALLEY AND AT THIS POINT I REALLY WOULD LIKE  
4 YOU TO ESTABLISH THE EVIDENCE CONCERNING WELL 14. I  
5 WOULD LIKE TO HEAR THAT EVIDENCE.

6 MR. MILIBAND: SO, IS YOUR HONOR NOT GOING TO  
7 ALLOW TESTIMONY ON THESE OTHER HYDROGRAPHS EVEN THOUGH  
8 THEY DO RELATE TO THE DESIGNATION?

9 THE COURT: I DON'T KNOW. RIGHT NOW I WANT TO  
10 HEAR EVIDENCE TO WELL 14. THE PROBLEM IS WE ARE RUNNING  
11 OUT OF TIME HERE. WE ARE GOING TO RECESS IN ABOUT FIVE  
12 MINUTES, AND THERE IS ANOTHER WITNESS TO START TOMORROW  
13 MORNING AT 8:30. AND I DON'T THINK THAT WITNESS WILL BE  
14 COMPLETED BEFORE THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS TOMORROW, AND IF  
15 THAT.

16 AND SO WHAT WE ARE GOING TO END UP DOING IS  
17 GOING OVER, AND I WOULD LIKE TO HEAR MORE EVIDENCE FROM  
18 YOUR WITNESS CONCERNING WELL 14 AND WHAT IS HAPPENING  
19 GENERALLY IN THAT AREA OF THE VALLEY SO, YOU KNOW -- BUT  
20 I DO HAVE SOME CONCERNS ABOUT THE DISCLOSURE, AND I HAVE  
21 SOME CONCERNS ABOUT THE TIMING OF THIS PRESENTATION. SO  
22 I GATHER THAT YOU DON'T HAVE THE DATA ON WELL 14 TODAY;  
23 IS THAT RIGHT?

24 THE WITNESS: NO, WELL 14 WAS CONSTRUCTED IN 2004,  
25 SO IT DOESN'T HAVE A LONG-TERM HYDROGRAPH RECORD.

26 THE COURT: I DON'T SUPPOSE WE COULD CAP IT, CAN  
27 WE?

28 (LAUGHTER)

1 MR. MILIBAND: NO PRESSURE, YOUR HONOR.

2 MR. ROBERT KUHS: ALL IN FAVOR.

3 MR. JOYCE: IF WE ALL JOIN IN, WE MIGHT AS WELL  
4 PUT IN A REPLACEMENT WELL.

5 THE COURT: I'M SORRY, I DON'T WANT THIS TO TURN  
6 INTO A FARCE.

7 MR. MILIBAND: YOUR HONOR, WHAT I WOULD REQUEST AT  
8 THIS POINT JUST GIVEN HOW THINGS TRANSPIRED IN THE LAST  
9 HOUR AND GIVEN THAT IT'S 4:27 ACCORDING TO THE COURT'S  
10 CLOCK -- MY UNDERSTANDING IS THAT DR. OBERDORFER WILL  
11 START HER TESTIMONY TOMORROW. AND I WOULD LIKE TO  
12 RESERVE THE OPPORTUNITY FOR WHEN THE TRIAL RESUMES, IF  
13 NOT SOONER THROUGH SOME BRIEFING IF THAT BECOMES  
14 NECESSARY, BUT AT LEAST RESERVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO  
15 READDRESS THESE ISSUES.

16 THE COURT: I THINK THAT IS AN APPROPRIATE  
17 SUGGESTION, AND IN ALL SERIOUSNESS YOUR CLIENT DOES HAVE  
18 AN INTEREST.

19 MR. MILIBAND: ABSOLUTELY.

20 THE COURT: AS A RESULT OF THE OWNERSHIP OF THAT  
21 WELL AND -- WE NEED TO DEAL WITH IT AND ADDRESS IT. AND  
22 EVERYBODY IS ENTITLED TO DUE PROCESS AND TO BE HEARD.  
23 SO LET'S MAKE SURE THAT YOU HAVE THAT OPPORTUNITY AND  
24 DON'T -- DON'T TAKE AWAY FROM TODAY'S SESSION THE COURT  
25 IS NOT INTERESTED IN HEARING THAT TESTIMONY. I AM.

26 MR. MILIBAND: UNDERSTOOD. THANK YOU, YOUR HONOR.

27 THE COURT: THAT IS JUST -- THIS IS NOT THE TIME  
28 FOR US TO DO THAT.

1                   SO, MR. HARDER, YOU CAN STEP DOWN. I KNOW I  
2 WILL SEE YOU AGAIN. WE WILL BE IN RECESS UNTIL TOMORROW  
3 MORNING AT 8:30.

4           MR. ZIMMER: 8:30 TOMORROW?

5           THE COURT: 8:30, DR. OBERDORFER WILL BE  
6 TESTIFYING. I TOLD YOU WE HAVE TO RECESS TOMORROW, AND  
7 IT IS GOING TO BE, UNFORTUNATELY, MIDAFTERNOON FOR THE  
8 DAY. AND SO I AM GOING TO ASK COUNSEL TO SEE IF WE CAN  
9 FOCUS EXAMINATION AND CROSS-EXAMINATION ON HER TESTIMONY  
10 AND SEE IF WE CAN CONCLUDE IT TOMORROW.

11           MR. ZIMMER: MY SUGGESTION ON THAT, YOUR HONOR, IF  
12 THE COURT IS INTERESTED TO ENTERTAIN AN OFFER OF PROOF  
13 IN DISCUSSING THE SCOPE OF IT AND THEN DEPENDING ON HOW  
14 COURT RULES ON THAT WE WILL KNOW EXACTLY WHAT IS GOING  
15 TO BE DISCUSSED, AND THAT WILL TAKE CARE OF THE CROSS  
16 AND DIRECT IN A MORE EFFICIENT MATTER.

17           THE COURT: AS LONG AS WE DON'T SPEND MORE THAN  
18 ONE HALF HOUR IN THE DISCUSSION.

19           MR. MILIBAND: YOUR HONOR, MAY I HAVE THE EXPERT  
20 DISCLOSURE BACK?

21           THE COURT: YES.

22           THE CLERK: HERE IT IS.

23           MR. MILIBAND: THANK YOU.

24           THE COURT: AND YOUR EXHIBITS ARE MARKED FOR  
25 IDENTIFICATION.

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27                   (PHELAN PINON HILLS CSD EXHIBIT H6  
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MR. MILIBAND: YES, THANK YOU, YOUR HONOR.

(THE PROCEEDINGS WERE THEN CONCLUDED.)



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