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## CITY OF ST. HELENA

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City Engineer  
1480 Main Street  
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Re: Public comments regarding new, revised draft Environmental Impact Report.

I am a resident of Vineyard Valley and if it floods this winter I will loose my house and most every thing in it. For that reason I would like to see the plan implimented that would be the fastest and cheapest way to get all of us here at Vineyard Valley, out of the flood plain and safe.

As I understand it the minimum plan is still one of the plans on the table for discussion. I was told this option would be used only if all other efforts collapsed, and yet the minimum plan could be done in the least amount of time, would effect the least amount of people (17), be the least expensive and protect us from a flood. Because the City has tied Vineyard Valley's flood protection into their overall plan for flood protection we have to wait on all other things such as Land Acquisition, Lawsuits, etc. If we get flooded again we can't rebuild, we are out of here, meaning over 200 people will exit the city.

I hope when the 45 days for public opinion is over we can move forward and begin the process as quickly as possible and start some real work.

Sincerely,



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