



## A record of public outreach and engagement for the Levine Water Storage Improvement Project

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## **Executive Summary**

From June through November of 2015, JGSC Group of Merchantville, NJ, conducted a public outreach and engagement effort on behalf of the Passaic Valley Water Commission (PVWC) concerning the Levine Reservoir water storage improvement project. The effort focused on the more than 125,000 households and businesses in the PVWC primary service area.

A variety of tools including direct mail, a website, and social media provided opportunities for the public to learn more about the project, express their preferences through printed and online surveys, and share their suggestions for alternatives for the Levine Reservoir site. The outreach effort resulted in more than 4,800 survey responses and over 1,200 comments.

The survey results included the following significant findings:

- 82% said they had limited or no information about the project prior to the outreach effort.
- 69% did not know that drinking water is stored in open reservoirs, and 82% disagree with storing the water there after it's treated.
- 82% of respondents believe PVWC should proceed as ordered with steps to comply with the EPA LT2 Rule.
- Among the potential solutions, 72% support building water storage tanks and 97% support building the tanks at the Levine Reservoir site.
- 73% say there is no need for design elements (such as painted murals or plantings) to minimize the visual impact of the tanks.

Another key objective of the outreach was to solicit alternate solutions to tanks at the Levine Reservoir site. There were hundreds of responses that suggested alternatives to the tanks. Many of the suggested alternatives were repetitious, however, and were ultimately grouped into eight separate types. PVWC reviewed the responses and determined that all eight alternatives are either impractical, in violation of regulatory requirements, or significantly more expensive than constructing tanks.

## **INTRODUCTION**

In 2012, PVWC completed a feasibility study and preliminary design for the construction of two 2.5 million gallon storage tanks within the footprint of the existing Levine Reservoir located along Grand Street in Paterson, New Jersey. The need for eliminating the Levine Reservoir is due to public health and safety concerns and for compliance with the US Environmental Protection Agency's (USEPA) Long Term Stage 2 Surface Water Treatment Rule (LT2 Rule). PVWC hosted a series of six (6) public meetings between February and November of 2014. Each of the meetings attracted 50 to 70 members of the public, and most expressed opposition to the project.

The opposition centered on issues of credibility, aesthetics, cost and regulations. Specifically, questions were raised about the health issues driving the need for the project, the decision to drain the reservoirs, and a pending USEPA review of the LT2 Rule.

Based on the reaction to the project and in consultation with the regulatory agencies, PVWC decided to retain a consultant to conduct additional outreach and explore other options for complying with the EPA LT2 Rule. PVWC issued a request for proposals (RFP) and, in June of 2015, selected the JGSC Group (JGSC) of Merchantville to design and implement an outreach and engagement effort.

### **Project Goal**

The goal of the project, as stated in the RFP, was to develop "a strategy for effective engagement of the public, and to provide for meaningful exchange on possible alternative opportunities for the Levine site."

## **PUBLIC OUTREACH**

### **Outreach plan**

Working with PVWC, JGSC designed a plan to reach out to consumers and solicit information on their preferences about the project and alternative ideas and suggestions. The plan included the following steps:

1. Create a high level of awareness about the project among consumers who were most likely to be impacted by the project.
2. Inform consumers by providing factual information that would allow them to formulate informed opinions about the project.
3. Engage the public to solicit and collect their input and comments about the project and to identify possible alternative approaches to solving the issues facing the Levine Reservoir.
4. Document the results of the outreach and engagement efforts to include detailed responses and verbatim comments from consumers that participated in the process.

### **Target audience**

We identified the population segments that were most likely to be impacted by the project, as follows:

1. The 125,452 households and businesses located within the primary service area of PVWC. This group comprises the people that drink and pay for PVWC water service (nominally Paterson, Passaic, Clifton, and Prospect Park).
2. The estimated 5,220 workers in the area, as well as an unknown number of other visitors (including visitors to the Great Falls National Historical Park) within a ½ mile radius of the Levine Reservoir location. This group includes people who could be impacted by water quality and/or delays from any possible construction.
3. An additional emphasis was placed on the 3,741 households and businesses located within a ½ mile radius of Levine Reservoir, because they may have views of the site and may be impacted by any construction project (tanks, retreatment, etc.).

### **Outreach tools**

To create a high-level of awareness among the target audience, we used a number of different tools including direct mail, door-to-door handouts, internet and online websites, social media, newspaper advertising, and road-side signs, as well as meetings with public officials and community groups.

In determining what tools to use, we considered both internet access and the primary languages spoken by various members of the target audience. Using data from the US Census, we learned that 74% of households in the area have access to the internet on a daily basis (67.0% in Paterson).

We also used Census-based data to determine that 22% of households (28% in Paterson) “do not speak English well.” Based on this, we decided to include foreign language translations on relevant materials, as indicated below. Where applicable, we’ve included examples of the outreach tools as Appendix A.

- Fact sheets – Fact sheets were mailed to 125,452 households in the primary service area. The fact sheets addressed questions raised during the initial round of public meetings about water quality, storage tanks, the review of the LT2 Rule, and the impact on the historic district. The fact sheet included translation instructions in Spanish, Farsi, and Arabic.
- Stakeholder meetings – PVWC held meetings and workshops and took other steps to inform more than two-dozen local, state and federal officials about the project. We also met with other groups including the NJ Community Development Corp. and the Passaic County Board of Realtors.
- Meetings with media – PVWC met with representatives of local media outlets including *The Record*. The purpose of the meetings was to provide information about the outreach plan.
- Website – The PVWC website ([www.PVWC.com](http://www.PVWC.com)) was enhanced to provide access to information about the Levine Reservoir project including feasibility and alternative site studies, videos of the area, and methods for minimizing visual impact. Since the website enhancements were launched, 1,146 unique individuals have visited.
- Social media – Announcements were made on the PVWC Twitter and Facebook accounts. The announcements directed visitors to the PVWC website, online survey and included information about the workshops.
- Online survey – The website linked directly to an online version of a consumer survey designed to gather consumer preferences and provide visitors an opportunity to offer open-ended suggestions for, or comments about the project. The survey included translation instructions in Spanish, Farsi, and Arabic.
- Printed survey – A printed version of the survey, which asked questions identical to the online survey, was mailed to 125,452 households in the primary service area. Each mailing included the survey form and pre-addressed return envelope for mailing the completed survey.
- Lawn signs – To increase awareness among motorists and visitors to the area, signage was placed at key locations within a 1-mile radius of the Levine Reservoir. The signs were bright yellow with black lettering and directed viewers to the PVWC.



website, where they could also access information about the project or take the online survey.

- Door-to-door handouts – Handouts printed in English and Spanish (with translation instructions in Farsi and Arabic) and were distributed to 3,741 households and businesses within a ½-mile radius of the Levine Reservoir, plus an additional 4,500 households and businesses in the 07502 zip code. The handouts instructed consumers to visit the website, take the online survey and/or attend the public workshops.
- Tear-off pads – Notices were printed and distributed to retail businesses within a ½-mile radius of Levine Reservoir. The notices were printed in English with translation instructions in Spanish, Farsi and Arabic. The handouts instructed consumers to visit the website, take the online survey and/or attend the public workshops.
- Postcards – Postcards were mailed to 125,452 households in the primary service area. The postcards instructed consumers to visit the website, take the online survey and/or attend the public workshops. The postcards were printed in English and included translation instructions in Spanish, Farsi, and Arabic.
- Public workshops – Public workshops were held on Saturday, November 14th and Thursday evening, November 19th at the Community Charter School of Paterson. The workshops were conducted in classrooms, separated by topic (historic, potential solutions, visual impact, environmental, etc.) where attendees could ask questions, voice concerns or offer suggestions.

PVWC provided about 400 printed notices to NJCDC for distribution throughout the community. In addition, bi-lingual consultants and PVWC personnel went door-to-door to distribute more than 7,500 notices to households and businesses in the surrounding area. PVWC and its consultants provided roughly 20 staffers to meet with attendees at the workshops.

## **PUBLIC RESPONSE**

### **Public comment and suggestions**

Through stakeholder meetings, surveys and the public workshops, we collected comments, preferences and suggestions from nearly 5,000 stakeholders. The survey alone received 4,849 responses. A summary of the survey results is included as Appendix B of this report.

Survey responses – The respondents live in 75 different zip codes throughout the region. The highest number of responses came from the zip codes in these communities:

- Clifton: 07011, 07012, 07013, 07014, and 07015
- Kearny: 07032
- Lodi: 07644
- Lyndhurst: 07071
- North Arlington: 07031
- Passaic: 07055
- Paterson: 07501, 07502, 07503, 07504, 07505, 07509, 07513, 07514, 07522, and 07524
- Wallington: 07057
- Wayne: 07470
- Woodland Park: 07424

Of those that responded, 94% described themselves as residential customers of the Passaic Valley Water Commission while 5% said they are commercial customers.

Creating awareness – A goal of the outreach effort was to create awareness among consumers that may not be familiar with the impacts of the project. The intention was to create awareness among a wide segment of the target population, then learn more about their preferences.

We asked survey respondents to tell us how often they visit the Levine Reservoir area and their level of familiarity with the project.

Here's what they told us:

- Among all respondents, 41% say they have never visited the reservoir and another 23% say they don't even know where the reservoir is located.
- Just 7% of respondents visit the area more than once a month.

We were also able to reach a large segment of the population who had limited prior knowledge of the project.

- Among all respondents, only 18% said they are “very aware of the issues” and were following it closely.
- 22% of all respondents said they knew “very little” about the project or the issues surrounding it.
- 60% said they either “hadn’t heard about the project until very recently” or “knew some things but wanted to know more.”

Treatment preferences – We showed the illustration below and asked respondents if they knew that treated water was being stored in open reservoirs. A total of 67% of respondents said either they weren’t aware of the treatment process or had never thought about it.



Next, we asked respondents to express their opinions about the existing treatment and storage process, now knowing the actual treatment process. Of all responses, 82% said they “don’t think drinking water should be stored in an open reservoir after it’s been treated.”

Quality compared to price – Respondents were presented with four statements and asked if they agree or disagree with each statement. The purpose of these questions was to compare preferences for water quality in relation to cost.

- 56% of respondents said they strongly agree with the statement, “the water needs to be safe and clean, but I am worried about the cost.” 6% strongly disagreed.
- 48% of respondents said they strongly agree with the statement, “the most important thing is clean drinking water, no matter what the cost,” while 7% strongly disagreed.
- 18% of respondents said they strongly agree with the statement, “I don’t want an increase in water rates, even at the risk of water quality.” However, 32% strongly disagreed with this statement.
- 13% of respondents said they strongly agree with the statement, “the water is fine, there’s no need to change anything now.” 42% strongly disagreed with this statement.

Complying with the LT2 Rule – The LT2 Rule has been a source of contention among public officials and attendees at the public meetings in 2014 because of the upcoming review of the LT2 Rule by the EPA. Opponents claimed the review could result in the



repeal of the rule, but our research showed the review was a routine EPA function and the 1996 Safe Drinking Water Act requires that any revision to the rule “shall maintain, or provide for greater protection of the health of persons.” Therefore, repeal of the rule is not a possible outcome of the review.

We asked if PVWC should delay the project until the review is completed, or move forward to avoid fines or more stringent regulations. Among all responses received, 82% – or more than 3,600 consumers – said that PVWC should proceed as ordered to avoid fines or additional costs.

Preferred solution – Another point of discussion during the 2014 public meetings was the proposal to construct water storage tanks at the Levine Reservoir. We summarized three main options from the feasibility study: re-treatment at the reservoir; cover and liner; and storage tanks. For each option, we explained the advantages and disadvantages as well as its related costs.

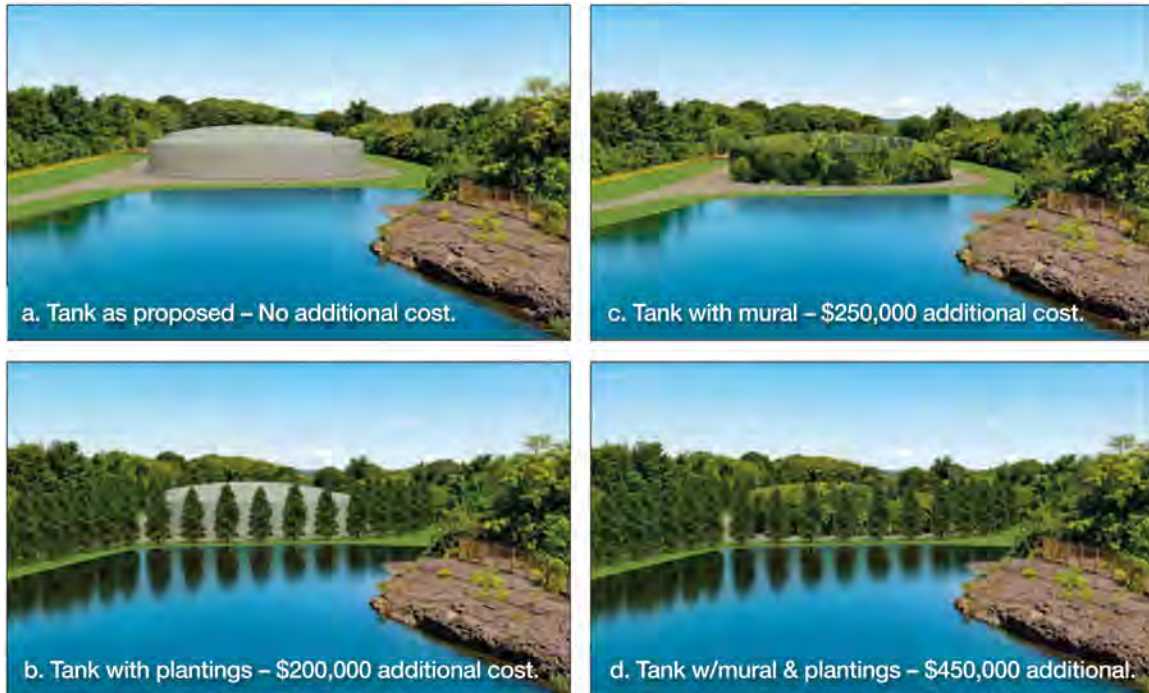
The online and printed survey asked respondents to select the solution they prefer. As shown below, respondents overwhelmingly preferred constructing water storage tanks:

- 25% prefer building a re-treatment facility at the reservoir.
- 2% prefer building a cover and liner at the reservoir.
- 73% prefer building water storage tanks at the reservoir.

Alternate sites – During the 2014 public meetings some opponents suggested the tanks should be relocated to an alternate site. A subsequent study identified one alternate site that was feasible from an engineering perspective: the former Vistas at Great Falls site. Two other sites were determined to be unsuitable.

The survey asked respondents to consider relocating the project from the Levine Reservoir to the alternative site. 97% of all respondents (more than 4,000 consumers) said the project should be constructed at Levine Reservoir, as originally proposed.

Alternate design options – Opponents at the 2014 public meetings also objected to storage tanks at Levine Reservoir on the grounds that the tanks would negatively impact views in the area. Our work revealed that of the 3,741 households and businesses within a ½-mile radius of the reservoir, only 12 residential buildings are able to view the reservoir. In the event that storage tanks were selected to replace the reservoir, we asked respondents to express their preferences for various mitigation options in relation to their cost.



We provided the above images, along with their related costs, and asked respondents to express their preferences, as shown below.

- 73% said build the storage tanks as proposed (a).
- 18% said add evergreen trees and plantings (b).
- 4% said paint a faux forest scene on the tanks (c).
- 5% said add plantings and paint a forest scene on the tanks (d).

Minimizing the impact on historical area – At the 2014 public meetings, opponents objected to any construction at the Levine Reservoir because of the nearby Great Falls National Historical Park. Our research found that the Levine Reservoir had not been constructed until 1885, 94 years after the establishment of the Society for the establishment of Useful Manufacturing. Further, we learned that the Levine Reservoir has never provided water to power the raceways within the National Park, rather it happened to be located in the adjacent area.

In recognition of the fact that the reservoir is a contributing resource to the National Historical Park, we proposed six options for mitigating any impact on the historic area. The respondents expressed their level of support for each of the following efforts. (Note: Each option could have a maximum of 100% support.)

- 46% said PVWC should preserve a portion of the reservoir as a scenic lake open to the public, possibly with recreational features.

- 43% said create a historical documentation of the reservoir, as it currently exists.
- 40% said create a hiking path on the former reservoir property, linked to hiking paths along the historic water raceways.
- 33% said shield the tanks or other structures from view with trees and/or painted images.
- 29% said create an educational video about the reservoir's history and the Great Falls National Historical Park.
- 23% said utilize water from the Passaic River and former reservoir to re-activate the historic water raceways.

### **Public workshop attendance**

About 30 persons attended the Saturday workshop (November 14, 2015) and an additional 17 people attended the Thursday workshop (November 19, 2015). A few attendees at the Saturday workshop returned again for the Thursday evening workshop. In addition, about two-dozen primary school students of the Charter School were in attendance for the Thursday evening workshop. Several of the attendees indicated that they been in attendance at the public meetings in 2014.

All attendees were presented with the opportunity to complete a printed survey and/or provide written comments and suggestions. Team personnel in each workshop room also summarized the verbal comments of the members of the public that visited those rooms. The submitted surveys and comments were captured verbatim and are included as part of the public comments within this report.

### **Suggested alternatives and other comments**

Respondents were given an opportunity to share any thoughts they had or suggest ideas for improving compliance with the EPA LT2 rule. Open-ended comments were submitted from 1,247 people. The verbatim comments are included as Appendix C of this report.

Most of the responses expressed opinions about the project rather than offering alternative ideas. However, many respondents suggested specific alternative ideas. We submitted all comments to PVWC for review and comment. PVWC identified eight (8) specific types of suggestions that warranted a response. As indicated below, PVWC does not believe that any of the suggested alternatives are more beneficial than the tanks originally proposed.

- Treat the water after it leaves the reservoir.

PVWC Response: The water leaving the Levine Reservoir presently is disinfected by adding a dose of chlorine. In order to treat it to meet the requirements of the LT2 Rule, a new treatment facility would need to be constructed at the site of the Levine Reservoir. At a minimum, the new treatment facility would require ultra-violet

disinfection followed by chlorine addition as well as on-site water storage. There is also the possibility that the water would have to be filtered again. The new buildings/structures would impact the Levine Reservoir in a similar manner to tanks. The new treatment system would also be more costly as it would require significant ongoing operations, maintenance and energy costs as well as additional staffing.

- Use shade balls to cover the reservoir like they do in California.

PVWC Response: The EPA does not consider shade balls an acceptable form of protection for open treated water reservoirs as they are susceptible to contamination from wildlife and are ill-suited for use in cold weather climates. Shade balls are typically used in arid regions such as California in an attempt to minimize evaporation.

- Leave reservoir as is and decommission it.

PVWC Response: The Levine Reservoir serves a critical function by providing needed storage for its service area. In addition, the reservoir provides water for fire protection and the water stored in the Levine Reservoir is often used as a back-up for other areas of the Commission's distribution system when there are disruptions in service due to power outages or maintenance. Decommissioning the reservoir would also be impractical as its primary source of water is drinking water supplied by the PVWC. If taken out of service, there would not be enough rainfall and stormwater run-off to create a permanent pond.

- Submerge the tanks under the water.

PVWC Response: Submerging the tanks within the footprint of the Levine Reservoir, using either concrete tanks or a flexible bladder, raises the potential for cross-contamination as any leak would allow the surrounding "pond water" to infiltrate the water supply. The EPA/NJDEP would likely require double-walled containment for such a system with additional monitoring required for the interstitial space. Submerging the tanks would also have a negative impact in the system's operating pressures. These design considerations in conjunction with the increased rock excavation required, would have a significant increase in both the initial construction costs as well as ongoing operations and maintenance costs.

- Install a cover and liner.

PVWC Response: This option was considered in detail during the feasibility study phase of the project and was eliminated as a viable alternative due to the irregular shape of the reservoir, the high capital and maintenance costs, and the unsightly appearance of the cover.

- Install individual filters at customers' faucets or use bottled water.

PVWC Response: PVWC supplies water on a retail and wholesale basis to approximately 75,000 retail customers and 24 wholesale water systems that service, in total, a population of almost 800,000 people. There is no way to insure the

universal distribution of filters or bottled water to everyone. There are also ongoing maintenance issues (e.g., the filters have to be replaced on a regular basis) that, if not addressed, can actually lead to water contamination. Accordingly, EPA does not view the use of bottled water or point-of-use filtration as an acceptable alternative to meeting the applicable drinking water regulations. In addition, when one considers the cost of distributing, maintaining, and replacing filters on a continuing basis, the overall cost will exceed the cost of constructing new tanks. Bottled water is an even more expensive alternative as is evident in the cost differential between bottled water delivered to a home versus water supplied by the public water distribution system, i.e., \$1.50 per gallon versus less than 1/2 penny per gallon respectively.

- Move the tanks to alternate locations.

PVWC Response: An extensive study was performed to see if there were other sites available for siting new water storage tanks. Three potential sites were found and evaluated. Two of the sites were considered infeasible as the area, elevation and location were unsuitable for the proposed tanks. The third site was feasible but would have cost a minimum of \$14 million more for construction and was ultimately sold to a private developer who is presently planning on building an apartment complex on the site (the former Vistas property off on Totowa Avenue).

- Tap the aquifer to supply water and leave the reservoir as is.

PVWC Response: PVWC is unaware of a suitable aquifer that could be used as a water supply. Assuming one was available, however, there would still be the need for treatment and ultimately storage. Pumping this alternative supply into the Levine Reservoir would not eliminate any of the concerns regarding contamination of an open finished water supply or meet the requirements of the LT2 Rule.



## **SUMMARY AND CONCLUSIONS**

The outreach effort met and exceeded its original goals. The effort reached more than 125,000 households and businesses throughout the PVWC service area.

The effort was also successful in reaching a wide range of consumers and informing them about the project. In fact, 82% of survey respondents reported they had limited or no knowledge about the project prior to the outreach effort.

Input was collected from nearly 5,000 consumers, and more than 1,200 consumers took the time to submit comments about or suggestions for improving the project. This is several times larger than the attendance at the public meetings held in 2014. It is estimated that no more than 400 people attended those meetings, and that the number of unique individuals was much smaller because some individuals attended multiple meetings.

From the input received via the surveys, comments and suggestions we concluded the following, among other things:

- There is strong support (82%) to proceed with the project, rather than delay until the EPA LT2 Rule is reviewed.
- 73% of consumers prefer buildings water storage tanks, compared to 25% who support retreatment and 2% who favor a cover and liner.
- If water storage tanks are built, 97% of consumers say they should be built at the Levine Reservoir site.
- Consumers appear to be most concerned with the quality and cost of their drinking water.

We provided PVWC with the 1,247 verbatim comments and suggestions offered by consumers. PVWC reviewed these to identify and evaluate specific suggestions for improving the Levine Reservoir project. From their review, PVWC identified eight (8) specific types of suggestions that warranted a response. Each of these suggestions was examined to determine its viability, but PVWC does not believe that any of the suggested alternatives are more beneficial than the tanks originally proposed.

In conclusion, the vast majority of nearly 5,000 consumers that participated in the outreach and engagement effort support the initial recommendations of PVWC to construct water storage tanks at the Levine Reservoir.



*Passaic Valley Water Commission  
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Levine Reservoir Improvement Project*

## **APPENDIX A**

### **OUTREACH TOOLS**



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October, 2015

Dear Customer:

I'm writing to ask you to share your thoughts about how we should proceed with an important project involving the Levine Reservoir.

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has ordered us to change how we store treated drinking water. Currently, we store your drinking water in open reservoirs after it leaves the treatment plant, but before it's distributed to you. The EPA has determined this creates a risk for "illness linked with Cryptosporidium and other disease-causing microorganisms in the drinking water." As a result, we can no longer store finished drinking water in open reservoirs.

There is some controversy about what steps we should take to comply with this order. In fact, some people think we should delay any action in the hope that the regulations may be changed in the future.

Whatever action we take, or don't take, could impact your water rates and will affect the quality of your drinking water. That's why I'm asking you to share your thoughts about how we should proceed with this important issue.

I've enclosed a fact sheet to tell you about the basics of this project, and more information is available on our website at [www.PVWC.com](http://www.PVWC.com). We've also created a survey that explains some of the options and alternatives available to us. Please visit our website to take the survey and share your thoughts about how you think we should proceed.

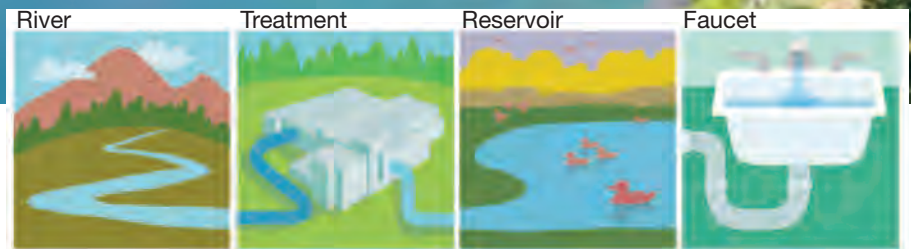
Few things are more important than having access to clean drinking water. Please take a moment to share your preferences and offer your suggestions.

Thank you.

Joseph A. Bella  
Executive Director

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION about changes we're making to the Levine Reservoir.

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has ordered us to change the way we store drinking water at the Levine Reservoir.



Most people don't realize their drinking water is stored in an open reservoir after it leaves the treatment plant.

**Visit [www.PVWC.com](http://www.PVWC.com) to share your thoughts about how best to proceed.**

### What's happening to the Levine Reservoir?

You may not realize that we store drinking water in the Levine Reservoir – after it leaves our treatment plant but before it's delivered to your faucet. The treated water can become contaminated from ducks, geese and other animals that swim (or worse) in the water. A situation in Milwaukee in 1993 sickened 403,000 and killed over 50 people. Because of that risk, the EPA and NJDEP have ordered us to change how we store our treated drinking water.

### Is the water safe to drink?

We take pride in providing you with the best water quality possible. Currently your water meets and or exceeds all regulatory standards. Enclosing the

reservoir will ensure the integrity of the water from re-contamination after it leaves the treatment plant.

### Do all reservoirs need to close?

The EPA LT2 Rule (Long Term 2 Enhanced Surface Water Treatment Rule) requires that any open reservoir that stores treated water must be addressed. In 1975, there were 750 of these types of reservoirs in the country. Today, fewer than 20 remain and those are all under order to be eliminated. Unfortunately, we have three open reservoirs that must be addressed.

### Isn't the EPA going to get rid of the LT2 Rule?

It is rumored that the EPA is reviewing the LT2 Rule and may cancel it. That simply is not the case. The EPA is reviewing the LT2 Rule as part of a routine six-year policy review. We have been told directly by the EPA that the Rule will not be cancelled and that we have to proceed with this project.



**Visit [www.PVWC.com](http://www.PVWC.com) to learn more about this project and to voice your preferences.**



## What happens if you just wait?

If we wait until the review of the LT2 Rule is completed before taking any action, the quality of your drinking water will continue to be at risk and we would incur fines from both the EPA and the NJDEP, and likely an expensive lawsuit that would result in increased water rates.

## Will the Levine Reservoir be drained?

As presently proposed, a portion of the reservoir would be drained to accommodate the new storage tanks. Even if that occurs, there are options such as creating a recreation area. To express your preference, take the survey at [www.PVWC.com](http://www.PVWC.com).

## Are storage tanks the only option at Levine Reservoir?

Building storage tanks at Levine Reservoir is one solution, but we also considered other alternatives. We've looked at building treatment plants, relocating the tanks, or putting a cover over the reservoir. But all of these options include costs that impact your water rates, and the options are not as reliable or safe as storage tanks. We've created a survey at [www.PVWC.com](http://www.PVWC.com) to allow you to explore and choose the options you would like to support.

## Is the Levine Reservoir historic?

The reservoir is located within the Paterson Historical District near its extreme southern boundary. The reservoir is not part of the Great Falls National Park. Still, we've proposed a number of ways in which we

can minimize any impact on the historical district. Visit [www.PVWC.com](http://www.PVWC.com) to review the options and express your preferences.

## Will the tanks be ugly in the historic district?

No they will not. Because the reservoir sits at an elevation well above the historical district and is surrounded by trees, it is not visible from any location, not even the tallest structures, within the historical district.

## I don't want to see water storage tanks!

You will not see the storage tanks because the reservoir is not visible to nearly everyone in the area. To test the line of sight, we placed 8-foot bright orange balloons at the reservoir to simulate the location and height of the proposed tanks. We then went to locations around the area to see if the tanks would be visible from the tallest nearby structures. Of the 10 locations we visited, the balloons were visible from just one location. To make the storage tanks look as pleasing as possible, we are open to enhancements that would be easy on the eye. You can express your preference, or suggest other alternatives, by visiting [www.PVWC.com](http://www.PVWC.com) to take our survey.



Este informe contiene información muy importante sobre su agua beber. Tradúzcalo o hable con alguien que lo entienda bien.

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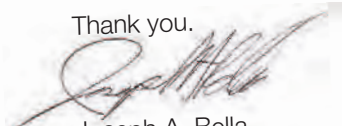
Recently, I wrote to tell you that we want to hear your thoughts about issues at the Levine Reservoir. Today, I'm enclosing an anonymous survey about the Levine Reservoir.

The EPA has ordered us to make changes at the Levine Reservoir, because they've determined that drinking water stored in an open reservoir creates a risk for "illness linked with Cryptosporidium and other disease-causing microorganisms in the drinking water." Still, there has been some controversy about how we should proceed.

That's why we're asking you to share your preferences about how we should proceed. Because this project will impact both the quality and the cost of your drinking water, it's essential that everyone take this survey. If you'd like to learn more about the project before answering the survey, you can visit our website at **www.PVWC.com** to learn more.

Please take a few minutes to take the survey and then return it to us in the enclosed envelope. If you'd rather take the survey online, you can do so by visiting our website at **www.PVWC.com** and follow the links.

Thank you.



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Executive Director

Administrative Secretary  
**Louis Amodio**

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**George T. Hanley**



# TELL US WHAT YOU WANT

COMPLETE THIS FORM OR TAKE THE SURVEY ONLINE AT [www.PVWC.com](http://www.PVWC.com)

Passaic Valley Water Commission (PVWC) has been ordered by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to change how we store treated drinking water. There is some controversy about what steps we should take to comply with this order. In fact, some people think we should not take any action. Please share your preferences about how you'd like us to proceed.

**Help us understand what you want.** Please begin by telling us a little bit about yourself. This will help us better understand which issues are most important to different groups of consumers.

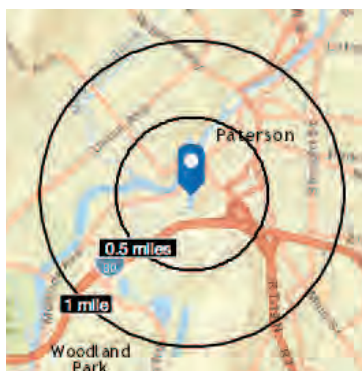
**Q1. In what zip code do you reside?**

**Q2. Which of the following best describes you?** *(Check all that apply)*

- ☐ I am a residential customer of Passaic Valley Water Commission.
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- ☐ I work, shop or visit the area near the Levine Reservoir.

**Q3. How often do you visit the area near the Levine Reservoir?** *(Select one answer)*

- ☐ Daily
- ☐ Weekly
- ☐ Monthly
- ☐ Rarely
- ☐ Never
- ☐ I don't know where it is



*The Levine Reservoir is located in Paterson, near exit 57 of I-80*

**Q4. How aware are you of the Levine Reservoir issues?** *(Select one answer)*

- ☐ Very aware. I'm following it closely.
- ☐ I've heard some things, but I want to know more.
- ☐ I haven't heard about it until very recently.
- ☐ I know very little about this issue.



Water is drawn from the Passaic River and sent through the treatment plant. The clean drinking water is then stored in the open Levine Reservoir before being sent to your faucet.

**Q5. Looking at the illustration above, did you know your drinking water is stored in an open reservoir?**

- ☐ Yes, I knew the clean drinking water is stored in an open reservoir after it's treated.
- ☐ No, I thought the water was only stored in the reservoir before being treated.
- ☐ I never thought about it, I just open the faucet.

**Q6. Now that you know your drinking water is stored in an open reservoir that is accessible to birds, animals and plant growth – including algae – tell us what you think about that.**

- ☐ I don't think drinking water should be stored in an open reservoir after it's been treated.
- ☐ I don't think there's any harm in storing drinking water in an open reservoir after it's been treated.

**What's important to you?** We'd like to know how you feel about health risks, costs and other issues related to the Levine Reservoir. Please read the following and tell us how you think we should approach this situation.

The EPA has determined that storing drinking water in open reservoirs creates a risk for "illness linked with *Cryptosporidium* and other disease-causing microorganisms in the drinking water." A situation in Milwaukee in 1993 sickened 403,000 people and caused over 50 deaths. To reduce this risk, the EPA has ordered that all open drinking water reservoirs, including ours, must be eliminated. This is known as the Long Term 2 Enhanced Surface Water Treatment Rule, commonly referred to as the LT2 Rule.

**Q7. Express your priorities by telling us if you agree or disagree with these statements**

Strongly Agree      Somewhat Agree      No Opinion      Somewhat Disagree      Strongly Disagree

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|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| a. The most important thing is clean drinking water, no matter what the cost.  | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| b. The water needs to be safe and clean, but I am worried about the cost.      | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| c. The water is fine, there's no need to change anything now.                  | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| d. I don't want an increase in water rates, even at the risk of water quality. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

**Q8. To comply with the LT2 Rule, we've been ordered to change the way we store drinking water. However, as part of a routine process, the LT2 Rule will be reviewed in 2016 to assess its effectiveness. The EPA says the rule will not be cancelled and the review could result in more stringent regulations. Some people think we should wait to see if the rule is repealed, but this could result in substantial fines, legal costs, and higher construction costs. What do you think we should do?**

- ☐ Proceed as ordered by the EPA to avoid fines or additional costs.
  - ☐ Delay the project until the review is finished, even if it results in fines or higher rates.
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**Q9. PVWC conducted a feasibility study to determine how to meet the requirements of the LT2 Rule. Many alternatives were evaluated, but the study concluded that constructing water storage tanks at the reservoir is the most cost-effective solution. Some people think other alternatives are better. Please let us know which one alternative you prefer?**

- ☐ **Re-treatment at the reservoir** – Cost of \$14.0 million, which equates to about \$97 per customer plus an additional \$13 per year in ongoing costs.

*Advantages:* Smaller buildings than storage tanks, meets LT2 Rule, lower up-front costs.

*Disadvantages:* Initial costs are lower, but ongoing cost are more expensive. Retreats already treated water, new buildings at reservoir would disrupt historic setting, more expensive as it requires additional maintenance and operating personnel.

- ☐ **Cover and liner** – Cost of \$22.4 million which equates to about \$156 per customer

*Advantages:* Meets requirements of LT2 Rule.

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- ☐ **Storage tanks at reservoir** – Cost of \$18.7 million which equates to about \$129 per customer

*Advantages:* Meets requirements of LT2 Rule, cost effective, safe, secure and reliable.

*Disadvantages:* Located within the Paterson Historic District.

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**Q10. In addition to considering various solutions and alternatives, PVWC also explored options to locate water storage tanks at other sites in the area. Of the three alternative sites we examined, one may be an adequate alternative, although at much higher costs. Please review the advantages, disadvantages, and cost related to the alternate site and tell us which site you prefer.**

- ☐ **Alternate: former Vistas at Great Falls** – Cost of \$32.0 million or about \$222 per customer

*Advantages:* Appears adequate for site size, configuration and compatibility with existing hydraulics.

*Disadvantages:* Site may not be available for purchase, construction cost may be higher by 170%, possible wetlands issues. Site is located within the Paterson Historic District and is visible from the Great Falls National Park.

- ☐ **Recommended: Levine Reservoir** – Cost of \$18.7 million or about \$129 per customer

*Advantages:* Located at existing reservoir, compatible with hydraulic requirements, no significant offsite piping required.

*Disadvantages:* Located within the Paterson Historic District.

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The results of the feasibility study indicate that the most cost-effective, safe and reliable solution is to construct water storage tanks at the Levine Reservoir. Some people have objected to this saying the tanks will be ugly and ruin the views in the area. As shown on the PWWC website ([www.PWWC.com](http://www.PWWC.com)), of the more than 3,200 residential buildings in the area, only about 12 would be able to see the tanks if they were built.

Still, we've looked at alternative designs that would disguise the tanks – if they were built – and make them more appealing to the eye. Obviously, any design alternative will require additional costs.

**Q11. Please let us know which, if any, of the design alternatives (shown below) you would prefer.**

- ☐ **a. Tank as proposed** – No additional cost.
- ☐ **b. Tank with plantings** – Additional \$200,000 to plant evergreen trees and plantings.
- ☐ **c. Tank with mural** – Additional \$250,000 to paint a faux forest scene on the tank.
- ☐ **d. Tanks with mural and plantings** – Additional \$450,000 to paint a faux forest scene on the tank and plant evergreen trees and plantings.



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**c. Tank with mural** – \$250,000 additional cost.

**b. Tank with plantings** – \$200,000 additional cost.



**d. Tank w/mural & plantings** – \$450,000 additional cost.



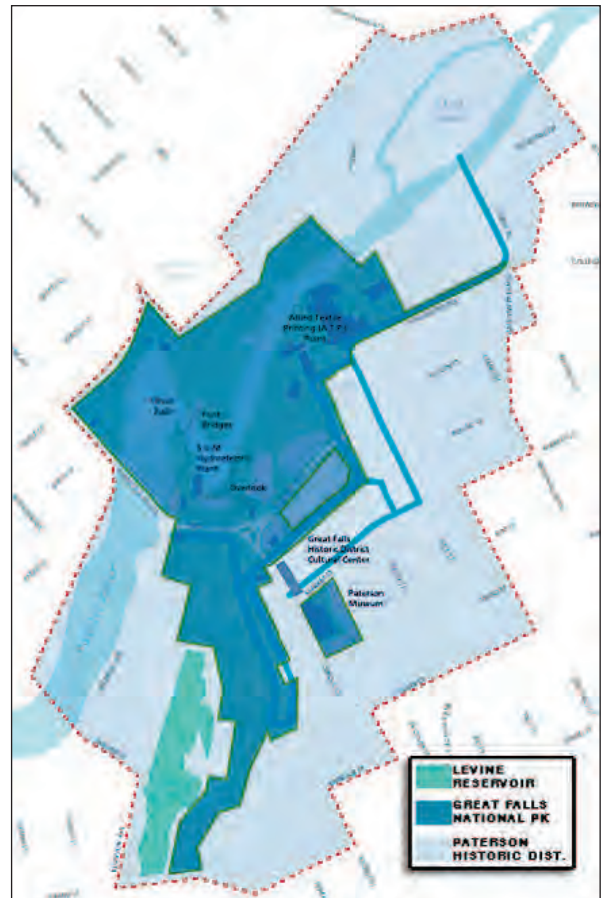


The Great Falls area was designated a National Historical Park in 2009 in recognition of early American industries that were powered by the Passaic River. The Levine Reservoir – as shown in the map below – is located adjacent to the Great Falls National Historical Park. The reservoir was not a part of those industries or the water-filled raceways that powered them. It is, however, within the Paterson Historic District.

As previously explained, the EPA's LT2 Rule requires the elimination of the open Levine Reservoir. No matter which solution we choose, it will have some impact on the historic area. Certain measures could be implemented that would minimize the impact on the historic district and some could even be enhancements.

**Q12. If PVWC were to build tanks or other solutions at the Levine Reservoir, would you support any of these optional measures?** (Check all that apply)

- ☐ Historical documentation of the reservoir as it currently exists.
- ☐ Create a hiking path on the former reservoir property, linked to hiking paths along the historic water raceway.
- ☐ Reserve a portion of the reservoir as a scenic lake open to the public, possibly with recreational features.
- ☐ Utilize water from the Passaic River and former reservoir to re-activate the historic water raceway.
- ☐ Shield the tanks or other structures from view with trees and/or painted images.
- ☐ Create an educational video about the reservoir’s history and the Great Falls National Historical Park.



**Q13. We’d like to know if there are alternatives that we haven’t considered. Please share any thoughts you might have about how we can better comply with the requirements of the EPA LT2 Rule.**

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**This concludes our survey. Thank you for sharing your thoughts.**  
**Place the completed survey in the envelope provided, apply postage and mail it.**

An aerial photograph of the Levine Reservoir. The reservoir is a large, irregularly shaped body of water with a blue-green hue. It is surrounded by lush green trees and vegetation. In the background, there are several industrial buildings, including a large white one on the left and a red one on the right. A small boat is visible in the water near the right shore. The overall scene is a mix of natural and industrial environments.

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Levine Reservoir

# Dinos que quiere Usted.

Favor de venir a uno de nuestros talleres con sus preguntas y sugerencias:

**Sabado, el 14 de noviembre**

de las 11:00 hasta la 1:00 del mediodía

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**Jueves, el 19 de noviembre**

de 7:00 a las 9:00 de la tarde

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Prueba Usted nuestro sitio web a [www.PVWC.com](http://www.PVWC.com) para aprender más,  
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La Comisión de Agua del Valle Passaic ha recibido un orden de la Agencia de la Protección del Medio Ambiente (US EPA) que nos manda cambiar la manera que mantenemos agua fresca de beber en el Levine Reservoir.

Hay algo de debate sobre lo que debemos hacer para cumplir con el orden del gobierno. Nosotros queremos saber que piensa Usted acerca de como debemos proceder.



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## WHY WE NEED TO MAKE CHANGES

HOME

Your drinking water is stored in the Levine Reservoir after it leaves the treatment plant. The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has determined this creates a risk for waterborne diseases. In 1993 waterborne disease in Milwaukee sickened 403,000 people and caused 50 deaths.

Please review the section links below:

- [💧 Your water is at risk of contamination »](#)
- [💧 Why the LT2 Rule is here to stay »](#)
- [💧 How we treat your water »](#)
- [💧 Animals are swimming in your drinking water »](#)
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## Paterson Great Falls at Maple Street

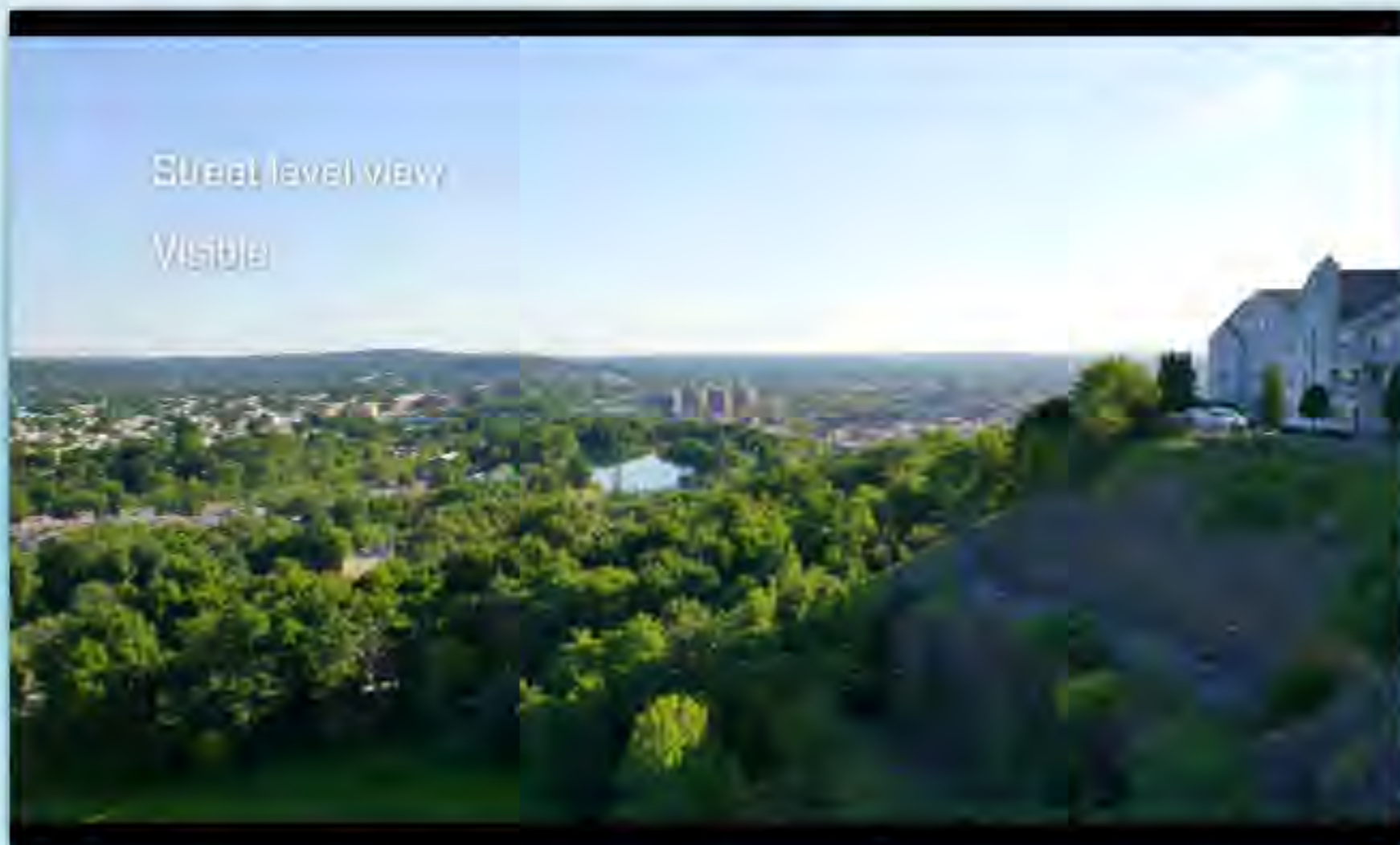


Balloons not visible at ground level. Balloons not visible from top of the tallest structure at 69 feet. Also not visible at a height of 200 feet, which is 131 feet above the tallest structure.

## Garret Mountain Condos at Boulder Run Road

Street level view

Visible



Balloons were visible at ground level and at the top of the tallest structure of 72 feet. However, only 9 of the 22 residential structures would have an unobstructed view.





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## **APPENDIX B**

### **SURVEY RESULTS**

## Q1 In what ZIP code do you reside?

Answered: 4,844 Skipped: 5

Zip	City	Count	% of TTL
07011	Clifton	635	13.2%
07012	Clifton	478	9.9%
07013	Clifton	1,145	23.8%
07014	Clifton	230	4.8%
07015	Clifton	4	0.1%
07031	North Arlington	516	10.7%
07055	Passaic	500	10.4%
07057	Passaic	9	0.2%
07071	Lydhurst	6	0.1%
07424	Woodland Park	26	0.5%
07501	Paterson	184	3.8%
07502	Paterson	18	0.4%
07503	Paterson	121	2.5%
07504	Paterson	88	1.8%
07505	Paterson	17	0.4%
07513	Paterson	45	0.9%
07514	Paterson	145	3.0%
07522	Paterson	95	2.0%
07524	Paterson	53	1.1%
07644	Lodi	428	8.9%
N/A	All others (55 zips)	76	1.6%

Q2 Which of the following best describes you? (Check all that apply.)

Answered: 4,832 Skipped: 17

Answer Choices	Responses	
I am a residential customer of Passaic Valley Water Commission.	93.94%	4,539
I am a commercial customer of Passaic Valley Water Commission.	4.76%	230
I am not a customer, but I'm interested in the Levine Reservoir.	2.48%	120
I work, shop, or visit the area near the Levine Reservoir.	2.57%	124
Total Respondents: 4,832		

**Q3 How often do you visit the area near the Levine Reservoir? (Select ONE answer.)**

Answered: 4,724 Skipped: 125

Answer Choices	Responses	
Daily	3.43%	162
Weekly	4.25%	201
Monthly	6.77%	320
Rarely	22.82%	1,078
Never	40.60%	1,918
I don't know where it is.	22.12%	1,045
<b>Total</b>		<b>4,724</b>

Q4 How aware are you of the Levine Reservoir issues? (Select ONE answer.)

Answered: 4,768 Skipped: 81

Answer Choices	Responses	
Very aware. I'm following it closely.	18.25%	870
I've heard some things, but I want to know more.	18.90%	901
I haven't heard about it until very recently.	40.86%	1,948
I know very little about this issue.	22.00%	1,049
Total		4,768



**Q5 Please look at the illustration above. Did you know your drinking water is stored in an open reservoir?**

Answered: 4,739 Skipped: 110

Answer Choices	Responses	
Yes, I knew the clean drinking water is stored in an open reservoir after it's treated.	<b>30.85%</b>	1,462
No, I thought the water was only stored in the reservoir before being treated.	<b>52.14%</b>	2,471
I never thought about it. I just open the faucet.	<b>17.01%</b>	806
<b>Total</b>		<b>4,739</b>

**Q6 Now that you know your drinking water is stored in an open reservoir that is accessible to birds, animals, and plant growth – including algae – tell us what you think about that.**

Answered: 4,646 Skipped: 203

Answer Choices	Responses	
I don't think drinking water should be stored in an open reservoir after it's been treated.	81.51%	3,787
I don't think there's any harm in storing drinking water in an open reservoir after it's been treated.	18.49%	859
<b>Total</b>		<b>4,646</b>

**Q7 Express your priorities by telling us if you agree or disagree with these statements:**

Answered: 4,743 Skipped: 106

	STRONGLY AGREE	SOMEWHAT AGREE	NO OPINION	SOMEWHAT DISAGREE	STRONGLY DISAGREE	Total
The most important thing is clean drinking water, no matter what the cost.	<b>47.79%</b> 2,015	<b>32.00%</b> 1,349	<b>3.65%</b> 154	<b>9.27%</b> 391	<b>7.28%</b> 307	4,216
The water needs to be safe and clean, but I am worried about the cost.	<b>55.66%</b> 2,414	<b>29.91%</b> 1,297	<b>3.44%</b> 149	<b>5.51%</b> 239	<b>5.49%</b> 238	4,337
The water is fine, there's no need to change anything now.	<b>13.13%</b> 524	<b>12.68%</b> 506	<b>8.45%</b> 337	<b>24.09%</b> 961	<b>41.65%</b> 1,662	3,990
I don't want an increase in water rates, even at the risk of water quality.	<b>17.69%</b> 700	<b>17.66%</b> 699	<b>9.02%</b> 357	<b>23.93%</b> 947	<b>31.71%</b> 1,255	3,958

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Answered: 4,585 Skipped: 264

Answer Choices	Responses	
Proceed as ordered by the EPA to avoid fines or additional costs.	81.53%	3,738
Delay the project until the review is finished, even if it results in fines or higher rates.	18.47%	847
<b>Total</b>		<b>4,585</b>

**Q9 PVWC conducted a feasibility study to determine how to meet the requirements of the LT2 Rule. Many alternatives were evaluated, but the study concluded that constructing water storage tanks at the reservoir is the most cost-effective solution. Some people think other alternatives are better. Please let us know which ONE alternative you prefer. (Please check the ONE option that you most prefer.)**

Answered: 4,371 Skipped: 478

Answer Choices	Responses
Re-treatment at the reservoir – Cost of \$14.0 million, which equates to about \$97 per customer plus an additional \$13 per year in ongoing costs. Advantages: Smaller buildings than storage tanks, meets LT2 Rule, lower up-front costs. Disadvantages: Initial costs are lower, but ongoing cost are more expensive. Retreats already treated water, new buildings at reservoir would disrupt historic setting, more expensive as it requires additional maintenance and operating personnel.	25.01% 1,093
Cover and liner – Cost of \$22.4 million which equates to about \$156 per customer. Advantages: Meets requirements of LT2 Rule. Disadvantages: Unsightly, high maintenance, very costly due to irregular shape of the reservoir, no water view, security concerns.	2.59% 113
Storage tanks at reservoir – Cost of \$18.7 million which equates to about \$129 per customer Advantages: Meets requirements of LT2 Rule, cost effective, safe, secure and reliable. Disadvantages: Located within the Paterson Historic District.	72.41% 3,165
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,371</b>



**Q10 In addition to considering various solutions and alternatives, PVWC explored options to locate water storage tanks at other sites in the area. Of the three alternative sites we examined, one may be an adequate alternative, although at much higher costs. Please review the advantages, disadvantages, and cost related to the alternate site and tell us which site you prefer.**

Answered: 4,266 Skipped: 583

Answer Choices	Responses
Alternate: former Vistas at Great Falls – Cost of \$32.0 million or about \$222 per customer. Advantages: Appears adequate for site size, configuration and compatibility with existing hydraulics. Disadvantages: Site may not be available for purchase, construction cost may be higher by 170%, possible wetlands issues. Site is located within the Paterson Historic District and is visible from the Great Falls National Park.	3.42% 146
Recommended: Levine Reservoir – Cost of \$18.7 million or about \$129 per customer Advantages: Located at existing reservoir, compatible with hydraulic requirements, no significant offsite piping required. Disadvantages: Located within the Paterson Historic District.	96.58% 4,120
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,266</b>

**Q11 Please let us know which, if any, of the design alternatives (shown below) you would prefer. (Please select the ONE you most prefer.)**

Answered: 4,549 Skipped: 300

Answer Choices	Responses
a. Tank as proposed – No additional cost.	<b>73.16%</b> 3,328
b. Tank with plantings – Additional \$200,000 to plant evergreen trees and plantings.	<b>17.63%</b> 802
c. Tank with mural – Additional \$250,000 to paint a faux forest scene on the tank.	<b>3.65%</b> 166
d. Tanks with mural and plantings – Additional \$450,000 to paint a faux forest scene on the tank and plant evergreen trees and plantings.	<b>5.56%</b> 253
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,549</b>

**Q12 If PVWC were to build tanks or other solutions at the Levine Reservoir, would you support any of these optional measures? (Check all that apply.)**

Answered: 3,514 Skipped: 1,335

Answer Choices	Responses	
Reserve a portion of the reservoir as a scenic lake open to the public, possibly with recreational features.	45.56%	1,601
Historical documentation of the reservoir as it currently exists.	42.86%	1,506
Create a hiking path on the former reservoir property, linked to hiking paths along the historic water raceway.	39.90%	1,402
Shield the tanks or other structures from view with trees and/or painted images.	33.01%	1,160
Create an educational video about the reservoir's history and the Great Falls National Historical Park.	28.83%	1,013
Utilize water from the Passaic River and former reservoir to re-activate the historic water raceway.	23.16%	814
<b>Total Respondents: 3,514</b>		

**Q13 We'd like to know if there are alternatives that we haven't considered. Please share any thoughts you might have about how we can better comply with the requirements of the EPA LT2 Rule.**

Answered: 1,268   Skipped: 3,581

**For verbatim comments and suggestions,  
please see Appendix C.**





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## **APPENDIX C**

### **VERBATIM COMMENTS**

(1) Pump from the Passaic River into Levine Reservoir and then into the treatment plant, i.e., reverse the process. The water coming from the river into the reservoir could be filtered to keep the reservoir relatively cleaned, but the potable water should come directly from the treatment plant, possibly into a small (several thousand gallon) tank to maintain constant pressure. (2) I left several questions in this survey unanswered because I did not agree with any of the choices provided. A survey question should always have none of the above or other as an alternative. For this reason, I believe the results of this survey cannot be considered reliable and only considered bias toward only the alternatives offered and no alternative-alternatives.

\*We thought the reservoir was in Boonton.. Why Paterson, off I-80 (pollution, dirt, etc) \*Treat the water from the reservoir to the customer.... NOT from the River to the Reservoir Of course it is contaminated. \*No tanks \*Prefer a better location for the reservoir

\$200,000 TO PLANT TREES!!!! WHAT ABOUT ASKING THE COMMUNITY TO VOLUNTEER TO BRING DOWN THE COST OF?? DO THE RIGHT THING!

\$250,000 TO PAINT A TANK THAT 12 HOUSES SEE IS RIDICULOUS. PLANT TREES THAT WILL GROW AND HIDE IT. IF \$200,000 FOR TREES CAN'T DO THIS LET ME KNOW AND I'LL DO IT.

1. Our water is already unsafe and has to be refiltered at home, or many ordered bottled. This doesn't seem like it will solve the overall water quality problem, or even the biggest part of it (metals). 2. Why is the choice between treating it before storage and treating it both before and after? Can't it just be treated after? 3. I hope you're not going to rely on this survey to make final decisions. It's nice to know what people want, but that doesn't mean most of the respondents are in any way qualified to make these kinds of decisions. I'm astonished by the stupidity of some of the letters in the Clifton Journal, but even most competent people don't have the necessary experience. 4. Are you seriously concerned about tanks being in the Paterson Historic District? Most of the district is awful. As long as they're not located too close to the falls -- and the reservoir is not all that close -- who cares? 5. The municipal reservoirs really do add to the aesthetics of our cement-covered region. Please do what can be done under the circumstances to preserve the space.

1. Build large water tank in Washington DC. 2. Fill with water. 3. Put EPA Commissioners in the tank. 4. Seal tank permanently.

1. BUILD TANK TO PROTECT OUR WATER SUPPLY 2. PLANT EVERGREENS 3. BILL THE COST TO CUSTOMERS IN TWO INSTALLMENTS-STOP WASTING TIME THANK YOU ALSO, I WOULD OPPOSE BEING BILLED IN ASSOCIATION WITH ANY FINES OR LEGAL FEES.

1. Build the tank. Who cares what it looks like. Safe water comes first. 2. Eliminate waste, patronage and the tank could be built without a rate increase. All it takes is the will to do it.

1. PVWC should request design studies which incorporate a multi-tiered storage tank approach. Each tank would be lower (in elevation) than the preceding one utilizing gravity to cross-feed the down-stream tanks when required. Additionally, the design intent MUST include the ability to capture natural rain and storm water to offset normal usage. 2.) PVWC to manage and request a minimum of six (6) engineering, design, and construction cost proposals, including all site surveys and land development needed to support the proposed storage tank plan. 3.) PVWC to arrange for an independent consulting engineering firm, having significant experience in Civil Engineering Works, Tank Storage Technology, among other skills, to review and evaluate all cost proposals. All bid proposals and the results of these studies to be made public record. 4.) PVWC should not entertain expanding the scope of work beyond storage tanks and supporting civil and mechanical work that could impact raising the cost of delivering potable water to tax paying residents.

1. Since I did not vote for it - negate the rule. 2. We really don't have any choice? Mary Ann Miksits - Too much regulation & government in our lives. 3. Why not put it on the ballot & let us all vote on it.

1. Tanks are needed to comply with EPA regulations. Water is our more important resource -gold can't be drink- it should be protected from contamination and terrorist attacks -reservoir can be contaminated intentionally- so do it. 2. The tank mural will

help to create a better view, still those extra \$250,000.00 have to be covered by the people who live in the area, the people who claim that view will be ruined, well, let them pay the extra bill, they can even go with the most expensive option of \$450K if they pay for that. Do not bill it that expense to everyone but the ones who are asking for that additional cost.

1) WE DON'T DRINK OR COOK WITH YOUR WATER. 2) WE LIVE IN NO. ARLINGTON OUR RATES ARE VERY HIGH, WE DON'T NEED ANY INCREASE.

100% potable faucet water at the best price is #1 priority. Everybody must have access to clean drinking water regardless of income and neighborhood.

A meeting with local representatives and PVWC Commissioners so people can ask questions thereby giving customers a better idea of what's really going on.

A TANK AND PLANTS WHICH IS SHOWN IN Q11B WOULD PROBABLY BE THE BEST OPTION AND KEEP EVERYONE HAPPY BUT COST IS A BIG ISSUE

A TANK IS NEEDED TO STORE THE PROCESS WATER. A STEEL IS NEEDED TO BUILD THIS TANK. A CERTAIN TYPE OF STEEL IS NEEDED. WE SHOULD USE THE RIGHT TYPE OF STEEL TO BUILD THE TANK. WHEN THIS WATER IS PROCESS IT SHOULD GO RIGHT BACK INTO THE TANK, THE WATER FROM THE TANK SHOULD GO TO FAUCETS

A VERY COMPLETE CONCISE SURVEY YOU COVERED ALL BASES

A. What about a mesh dome of the lake/reservoir? B. Dog control like they do at the airports?

a) God, I love surveys! As someone (Disraeli, Twain?) once said, There are three kinds of lies: lies, damned lies and statistics. If I did the math right, the \$450,000 cost of the mural & trees equates to an additional \$3.00 or so per customer (on top of the \$129 per customer). \$450,000 sounds like a lot, \$3.00 (on top of \$129) does not. Why did you present the info this way? b) I've read that these reservoirs (2 on Garret Mtn plus the Levine) are only used as emergency water, not in everyday use. If this is so and the water from these reservoirs only rarely comes out of our taps then the risk to anyone's health is greatly reduced. If the water is only used in emergencies, then I would be in favor of waiting to see if the EPA changes its mind. c) A bit of a NIMBY thing, but I live in Garret Heights & hugely enjoy the view of the New Street Reservoir, which seems much more open to view than the Levine Reservoir. Also, I believe the New Street Reservoir tanks would be much, much larger than the Levine ones. So, at the moment, I'm more concerned with what will happen to the New Street Reservoir than I am the Levine Reservoir. Why is there no mention of the future of the New Street &/or Great Notch Reservoirs?

ABOLISH THE EPA

Abolition of the EPA !!

According to your information, there are fewer than 20 reservoirs which have to remodel their facilities to comply with the EPA LT 2 rule. Why is the P V W C one of the last to address this issue when the contamination problem first occurred in 1993? Wouldn't it have been less costly to address in 10 or 15 years ago? I expect this project will be on your meeting agenda. When do you expect the final decision to be made and how long will the project take? I would appreciate give a run down of estimated costs and progress of the project through your website and mail. Thank You .

Actually I thought that you guys were better making these decisions than we the people. Thought that it was a good idea to involve the people. Of course who would want to have their reservoir transformed into something other than what it used to be. As always our concerns on the water condition should be most important. But the way it looks should be included into the plans that need to be done. People will worry about the historical site of the falls being affected but the whole area needs to be

considered. If its going to effect some areas it should effect everywhere. Just because it's a historical area shouldn't be the stopping effect of this project. All areas should be used in this decision. Thank you for allowing us citizens of Passaic county to respond on this very important decisions.

Add a step - purify 2x or repeat current cycle several times.

Add costs of construction of approx \$130/customer over 2-3 years, so increase will barely be felt. And once built, there should be no additional large costs. P.S. Passaic water has a bad reputation as being contaminated and of general poor quality. What can be done to improve the water quality so that it is as good as, say, New York City? We currently use bottled water for drinking. Thank you.

Additional flood control measures to minimize the risk to homes and businesses downstream due to heavy rain deluges should be considered (eg, Hurricane Irene). Since the reservoir is being significantly modified, this is an opportunity to section off a 'flood control reservoir' to act as a buffer in emergencies; -

After decades of the Levine Reservoir in service and supplying the drinking water, which personally I don't drink (faucet water is just nasty), the water has been a safe with no issues. It's in the eyes of the EPA we need to upgrade the system, why can't the EPA (The Federal Government) pay for upgrades. The Government has tons of money they promise and give to other countries that than betrays us, or push our dept ceiling even higher.

AFTER PURIFYING THE WATER PLACE IT IN TANKS IN ORDER TO PREVENT US FROM BECOMING ILL. THE MOST INPORTANT THING IS SAFE DRINKING WATER.

AIRATE WATER GERMANY LARGE LIME STONES FOR THE BOTTOM BERMUDA LOW HUM SO HUMANS CAN,T HEAR IT ANIMALS DISLIKE ARTETIAN WELLS PLENTY OF AREA DIRECT SURRLY

AIRATE WATER W/FOURIAWS

ALL ALTERNATIVES SEEM TO BE CONSIDERED.

All I can say keep our water safe at minimum expense. I'm not an expert, you by now should have had experts advise you, again keep water safe & costs down. That is all we want.

ALL I KNOW IS THE DRINKING WATER SHOULD BE CLEAN ALWAYS IT SHOULD BE STORED IN A TANK NOT A OPEN SPOT WHERE BIRDS AND AMIMALS POOP.

ALL I WANT IS CLEAN DRINKING WATER.

ALL OF THE ABOVE IN QUESTION 12 ARE GOOD IDEAS BUT COST MUST BE CONSIDERED.

ALL THESE BUREAUCRATS ARE GOING TO BE THE END OF US! HOW DID PEOPLE DO IT AND HOW DID THEY LIVE BEFORE ALL THESE REGULATIONS? I AM ALL FOR SAFETY BUT THINK THEY SOMETIMES GO TOO FAR--WE MUST TRY TO KEEP AS MUCH OF THE NATURAL BEAUTY OF CREATION AS WE CAN. TOO MANY MAN MADE THINGS DON'T BEAUTIFY OUR ENVIRONMENT, RATHER THEY AKE THINGS MORE UGLY AND POLLUTED IN THE LONG RUN!

All we want is clear, pure water and get it done, so we all can enjoy.

Allow local artists and children to have access to the exterior of the tank after it's built to allow them to paint on it. This would save the costs of painting the tank. Do this along with the landscaping.

ALLOW STUDENTS TO PAINT MURAL AT NO ADDITIONAL COST ON RESERVOIR.

Although PVWC has grudgingly accepted the necessity for public comment on the tank the reservoirs plans it developed in secret and took great care to try to keep secret, neither I nor anyone I know with an interest in this issue has any evidence that PVWC is doing impartial data collection. I received notice of the Nov 19th workshop on Levine less than three days before the meeting (a tactic that appears designed to decrease attendance, especially by those of us with lawn signs opposing the existing ill-advised plans for Levine). I am writing this as well as completing your online survey because it is obvious that the survey is designed to attempt to generate the results that the PVWC has already decided it wants to see. As an effort to prevent PVWC from obtaining the whitewash its tactics are designed to secure, I will be forwarding my comments below to the Board of Utilities as well as to local politicians.

1. PVWC ought to have opposed the existing EPA regulations, if necessary via a lawsuit, when they were first promulgated. There is a miniscule number of PROVEN cases even of mild illness, let alone of serious or life-threatening illness, caused by water stored in open reservoirs. This point is amply underscored by the fact that your website must reach back over 20 years to find a shocking instance of water-borne illness (Milwaukee 1993). Given the vanishingly small number of proven cases of serious water-borne illness, LT2 is a paradigm case of complete fiscal irresponsibility. Consumers should not be subjected to billions of dollars of increased expense to safeguard the water supply against entirely illusory threats to health. The regulation also represents overreach on the part of a federal agency, abridging the states' rights to implement their own consumer protections. Start the (belated) response to LT2 by bringing suit to stop its enforcement.
2. Since the EPA has a review of LT2 scheduled, that review has not been completed, and the regulation may change, NO action should be taken on Levine or other local reservoirs until the review has been completed and final regulations issued. I note that your survey repeats what it says is an EPA claim that no change will come to the regulation due to the review. (A) Really. What brand of crystal ball does the EPA use to foresee the future? I'd like to purchase one so that I can win the next MegaMillions drawing. (B) If there is no chance of change, then how is this going to be a review? (C) I clearly understand your survey's comment that if no action is taken until after the 2016 review is completed the new regulation may be more stringent and more expensive in two ways: (1) As completely contradictory to the claim that there will be no change to the regulation, and (2) as a transparent attempt at fear-mongering in order to skew the survey results.
3. Leave Levine and other open reservoirs open. NO TANKS. Since UV re-treatment of water stored in open reservoirs is possible, cost-effective, and does not destroy wildlife habitat, that is the re-treatment method that should be used UNLESS a less expensive technology for re-treatment becomes available, in which case that method should be used.
4. Any loss in open-water acreage, whether at Levine or elsewhere, caused by any PVWC activity must be compensated for by adding at least as much open-water acreage elsewhere within the SAME piece of property. Wildlife cannot commute to water at a different location. Reservoirs must also be replanted--with native species of vegetation--and those plantings watered until they have taken hold, a period that in the case of many species of trees is at least three years. Plantings that die must be replaced and maintained until they do take hold. Fish must be restocked. Maintenance costs can be expected to be many times the cost of purchasing plant materials and fish since certified arborists and other skilled workers will be required for several years to oversee remediation and maintenance of the ravaged environment. There is no sign in any of the survey materials that any thought has been given to these costs or to the necessity for short- and medium-term skilled assistance with recreating habitats destroyed by the PVWC's preferred approach to LT2.
5. Especially given the increased intensity of the average rainfall event in North Jersey and the frequent flooding that occurs in the Passaic River basin, PVWC must take positive measures to ensure that NO additional flooding anywhere within the catchment area for Levine or any existing reservoir will occur if PVWC activity changes the hydrology of these areas. The open water acreage that will remain after the tanking depicted in the online survey will need to be extended and/or deepened so the reservoir can continue to act as a rainwater catchment area. There is no indication in the online survey that any attention at all has been paid to the costs associated with ensuring that reservoirs continue to ameliorate flooding.

Although this idea probably would not enhance compliance with EPA LT2 Rule, I think that after the tanks are installed at the Levine Reservoir, the Reservoir Area should be incorporated into the Great Falls National Park for public recreational use. [Based on proximity of Levine Reservoir to Great Falls National Park]



ALTHOUGHT I AM VERY CONCERNED ABOUT OUR DRINKING WATER .I REALLY DON'T KNOW VERY MUCH ABOUT THE LEVINE RESERVOIR .I FEEL CUSTOMERS WHO ARE FAMILIAR WITH THIS RESERVOIR HAVE A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF THE SITUATION.

ANOTHER ALTERNATIVE COULD BE INSTALLING A SAND FILTER BEFORE TRANSMISSION PIPE AND TREATING THE WARTER WITH CL2 WHILE BEING PUMPED THOUGH THE TRANSMISSION PIPE.

Are aquifers in area that can be availed. How about abandoned mines.

ARE DRAINING THE WHOLE RESERVOIR ?? THATS CRAZY. I GO TO THE GREAT FALLS OFTEN, BUT NOT FAMILIAR WITH THE LEVINE RESERVOIR. NO RESERVOIR SHOULD BE DRAINED EVER. ISN'T THERE A WAY TO PUT A FILTERTION SYSTEM AT ENTRY TO HOMES.

ARE THERE NO CHEMICAL ENGINEERS DOING RESEARCH ON THE PROBLEM. I AM SHOCKED AT WHAT I AM READING ABOUT THE OPENED RESERVOIR.

Are we in an area that has been exposed to cryptosporidium?

As a company I feel you should take on all costs and not pass any on to customer. With revenues of 90 million a year this can easily be achieved.

As a concerned citizen, please do not delay in the compliance with the LT2 rule. I am worried that delays will create fines from the EPA. I do not wish to support the EPA through fines, especially if they are avoidable.

As a Paterson resident, I can barely pay the city taxes. I DO NOT want any additional cost to my wallet. I am, as well as all other Patersonians, paying for clean running water, THEREFORE no matter has to be done I should be getting what I am already paying for with NO additional cost.

As a resident of Clifton since 1988, I have received multiple notices about the poor quality of the drinking water that the Passaic Valley Water Commission delivers to my home. A very long time ago, I decided that we would not drink the water delivered by the PVWC and have borne the additional cost of having clean drinking water delivered by a third party. I find it incredible that the PVWC has found yet another way to increase my costs and their own profits by mandating enormous monies to be spent on the reservoir. I find it very hard to believe that the PVWC was not part of defining the LT2 rule(s). The PVWC's expenses are totally out of control as exemplified by the additional costs to paint a mural on a tank. A quarter of a million dollars? Really? Really!??? I'm sure a high school art class, with materials and insurance, would be able to paint trees on a metal tank for very much less money. And at the end of the day I'm sure I'll still receive notices from the PVWC about contaminants found in their drinking water.

AS A SENIOR ON A FIXED INCOME I CANNOT AFFORD ANY MORE INCREASES IN MY LOCAL OR STATE EXPENSES . MAYBE ITS TIME TO MOVE

AS A VOLUNTEER ACTING HISTORIAN FOR THE CITY OF PATERSON I INTERFACE WITH OTHER MUNICIPAL WORKERS ON A DAILY BASIS. WE'VE ALL BEEN FOLLOWING THIS ISSUE VERY CLOSELY AND LOOK FORWARD TO THE MOST COST EFFECTIVE AND ENVIRONMENTALLY SOUND SOLUTIONS. THANK YOU. PLEASE DON'T HESITATE TO CONTACT

As an existing customer and passaic county resident I thank you for informing me on this concern. I am truly shocked that I did not know about the state in which we obtain drinking water and 5this causes cause for concern.

As described in your information package, re-treatment at the reservoir appears to me to be the obvious and superior option both for current needs and to position the resource for future requirements and technology. Has there been any discussion as to using

the hydrologics for generating electricity? Your plant may be capable of being self sustaining as to funding and as a green source of energy.

AS FAR AS IM CONCERNED THIS SHOULD HAVE BEEN HANDLED LONG AGO WHEN LT2 WAS PUT INTO PLACE. I OWN SEVERAL MULTIFAMILY RESIDENTS AND IF YOU INCREASE MY RATES IN ORDER TO PAY FOR IT I WILL BE FORCED TO RAISE RENTS. I DON'T THINK ITS FAIR YOU ARE MAKING THIS INQUIRY TO PEOPLE WHO DO NOT PAY THE WATER BILLS. DO THE LEAST EXPESIVE THING THAT MEETS THE LAW. THE WATER HERE SUX

As I stated on the options, I'm in agreement with ensuring compliance; However, I'm very concerned about the costs that will be involved. We will greatly appreciate your considerations to minimize costs while meeting the EPA LT2 rule requirements. Thank you and God bless! (Bible verse: John 3:16)

As senior citizen customer living in this beautiful city of Clifton I m worry about my monthly expenses. I wish you good luck and bright future to our city . Thanx for your care about public health.

AS SHOWN ABOVE A PLACE TO RELAX AND BRING THE FAMILY TO THE RESERVOIR SO YOU CAN ENJOY THE RECREATIONAL FEATURES . HIKING ALL YEAR ROUND WITH NEW TRAILS.

Ask the EPA or US government to assist with the cost of this project. Ask not, get not. We are a cash poor city. No more taxes! Do what is required, but don't get fines. Do some fund raisers, please don't tax us!

AT MHY AGE I CANNOT AFFORED TO SPEND ANY MORE MONEY. EVERYONE WANTS THEIR HAND IN MY POCKET. ID DO NEED TO EAT YOU KNOW AND HAVE A PLACE TO LIVE. I AM SICK AND TIRED OF TRYING TO EXIST ON A PALTRY S.S. THERE IS NO INCREASE THIS YEAR SO I HAVE TO SUCK IT UP.

At present we received lead in our drinking water. After spending tax payers money & renovating the area. Increased the rates & still have lead in the drinking water.

AT this moment my family & I are very concerned about this issue. Please solve this for all Passaic residents' health

AVOID PASSAIC RIVER WATER DO NOT PERMIT ANY WATER ACTIVITIES ON THE RESERVOIR

B: WITH SUFFICIENT EVERGREEN TREES AND CORRECT HIGHT TO COVER IS BEST. C: PAINT WILL FADE OR DISCOLOR FROM WEATHER, BIRD DROPPINGS, ETC.

BASED ON LT2 RULE WE MUST THINK COST EFFICIENT AND SAFETY AND CONTINU666666666666E TO PROVIDE A HEALTHY ENVIRONMENT. I HOPE THIS SURVEY WILL MAKE A DIFFERENCE AND MAKE THE BEST DECISION.

BASICALLY OPEN STORAGE IS UNACCEPTABLE, TANKS ARE NECESSARY. AS EVERYWHERE ELSE IN OPEN NATURE SETTINGS, PLANTS AND OTHER FOLIAGE WILL EVENTUALLY COVER AND HIDE THESE TANKS AND BECOME A PERMANENT PART OF THE SCENERY SO WHY STRESS OUT ABOUT COVERING THEM NOW?

Be as cost effective as possible, yet make sure our water is not open to birds, or other animals.

Be respectful and don't just take the cheap way out.

BEAUTY IS IN THE EYE OF THE BEHOLDER IF YOU DON'T WANT TO SEE THE TANK DON'T VISIT THE AREA . IS ANYONE CARING 7777HOW ITS GOING TO AFFECT THE WATER BILLS JUST FOR THE SAKE OF BEAUTY WHEN IT SHOULD BE DONE AS AFFECTIVEY WITHOUT HURTING THE COST WHICH WILL AFFECT THE CONSUMER

Bicycle path along reservoir.

Biggest concern is terrorism. Must protect the water at any cost. Any group of determined terrorists could kill us all by poisoning the water. There are ways. Reservoir should be fully secure.

BOIL WATER BEFORE DRINKING.

Born and raised in Paterson - grammar and high school - not college. Married lived in Clifton, Fair Lawn. Back to Paterson now 37 years. Not aware of Levine Reservoir. No knowledge of genesis, how and why named.

BOTTOM LINE IS SAFE DRINKING WATER. NO RATE INCREASES. FIXED INCOME PEOPLE REALLY NEED TO BE CONSIDERED. OUR RATES ARE ONE OF THE HIGHEST AROUND.

Bottom line is that you need to take the necessary measures to ensure the water is safe for all residents.

Bring suit against the EPA regulation. This is an unfunded mandate by the federal government that violates states' rights.

Build a filter system at the main supply line.

BUILD A PIPELINE INSTEAD HAVE A BIG FILTER BUILDED IN IT AND THE SOLUTION WE PUT IN IT.

BUILD A TANK WHAT DIFFERENCE DOES IT MAKE WHAT IT LOOKS LIKE AS LONG AS IT PROTECTS THE DRINKING WATER. TAKE A RIDE AND LOOK AT SOME OF THE HOUSES, BUILDINGS UP THERE--A PLAIN OLD HOLDING TANK WOULD NOT MATTER. KEEP THE COST DOWN-- WE PAY ENOUGH MONEY TO PVCW!! HIKING THERE IS GARRETT MOUNTAIN-----

BUILD TANKS!

Build the new tank(s) and keep the current reservoir as a backup water supply and a park area for boating, fishing and hiking. I the news letters and word of mouth it sounds like the reservoir would be eliminated and only tanks in its place. Adding tanks for 80% to 90% of drinking water and keeping most of the current reservoir 60% to 80% as backup water would be the best. Then we would not hear about droughts and we have a new park setting to go to.

BUILD THE STORAGE TANKS PARTIAL UNDER GROUND OR COMPLETELY UNDER GROUND. OTHER ALTERNATIVE BRING THE WATER FROM THE PASSAIC DIRECT INTO THE LIVINE RESERVOIR ND THEN TREATED AS YOU SUPPLY IT TO YOUR CUSTOMERS. (TREATE IT AS NEEDED.)

build the storage tanks so that they sit under the water surface

Build the tank in the current foot print of the reservoir and keep it below 5' below current water level. Refill reservoir to depth of 5'. You can satisfy the tank requirement and maintain the reservoir.

BUILD THE TANK WITH ONLY A FEW TREES TO SHIELD THE ESSENTIAL VIEW NOT THE ENTIRE TANK ADD FLOURIDE TO THE WATER FOR TEETH

Build the tanks in the most cost effective manner possible while creating the cleanest water we can have. The fact that this has not been done already is deplorable. To have 3 of 20 open reservoirs in the U.S. is an embarrassment and the detractors of the reservoir proposal are delusional. What is more important than clean water at affordable prices? We need common sense.

Build the tanks, do not spend extra money trying to shield them.

BUILDING THANKS IS A BETTER SOLUTION TO KEEP WATER CLEAN AND SAFE FROM BACTERIA. THE COST TO BUILD TANK DOESN'T MATTER AND SHOUSE MAKE A NICE VIEW IS NOT IMPORTANT BECAUSE THOUSANDS OF US ARE AT RISK.

BUILD THE WATER HOLDING TANKS .APPLY FOR GRANTS SO THE COST WOULDN'T BE PUSHED ON THE CUSTOMERS

BURY TANKS IN CURRENT RESERVOIR COVER WITH WATER EXPOSED WATER COULD BE USED BY EXISTING WILDLIFE. ADD TRAILS AROUND NEW WATER FEATURE AND PROVIDE ACCESS FOR REMOTE CONTROLLED WATER CRAFTS

BURY THE TANKS UNDERGROUND

By constantly checking water to make sure it is safe for all.

By following all of the rules.

CAMERAS AND PLAIN CLOTHES WATCHERS

CAN A NEW RESERVOIR BE LOCATED WHAT ABOUT THE SKYLANDS AREA.

CAN AN UNDERGROUND TANK BE BUILT? IT MAY BE BETTER OR THE VIEW AND IT COULD BE SAFE TOO, HOWEVER, IT MAY BE TOO EXPENSIVE.

CAN THE WATER GO FROM RIVER TO RESERVOIR THEN THROUGH THE TREATMENT FACILITY TO THE RESIDENTS.

CAN'T THINK OF ANYTHING NOW .BUT THE TANK DON'T LOOK TO BAD

CAN'T THE TREATMENT BE REVERSED HAVE WATER FROM THE PASSAIC RIVER PUMPED INTO THE RESERVOIR STORED THERE AND TREAT IT BEFORE AS THE WATER GOES TO THE PUBLIC. WHAT WOULD THIS COST.

CANNOT SUGGEST ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION. CLEAN SAFE DRINKING WATER IS IMPORTANT.

CANNOT THINK OF ANY AT THE MOMENT. THANK YOU FOR ASKING THE OPINIONS OF YOUR CUSTOMERS AND FOR VALUING THEIR INPUT

cannot trust any of you as all you do is raise prices and make money for yourselves with funny land deals

Canot believe how anyone could drink water from any open air reservoir, why is it not filtered, and treated from reservoir to your residence from the beginning?

centuries of open reservoirs and now its a problem

Change the order of the water treatment. Clean drinking water should be sent through the treatment center and then stored before it reaches our faucets!! Lodi has a high cancer rate!! Testing needs to be done frequently because of high contaminants found in reports!

CHANGE TREATMENT ENTIRELY. RESERVOIR STORES. THEN TREATMENT AS WATER IS NEEDED. NEAR THE RES. OR WHERE CURRENTLY IT IS TREATED.

CHARGE A MODEST FEE FOR SCENIC LAKE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC TO OFFSET COSTS TO PVWC CUSTOMERS.

CHEAPEST -PUBLIC CAN'T HANDLE MUCH MORE. AVERAGE BILL FOR WATER IS 62\$ A MONTH FOR ME I LIVE ALONE DON'T WATER MY LAWN 2 OR 3 WASHES A WEEK SO MUCH MONEY

CHECK WITH CLIFTON TRE FARM MIGHT BE CHEAPER THAN EVERGREEN PLANTING

CLEAN AND SAFE WATER IS THE MOST IMPORTANT THING FOR ANY SOCIETY. ALSO IT IS AN INTERNATIONAL RIGHT SUPPORT BY THE U.N. . WE HAVE QUALITY OF DRINKING WATER.I SUPPORT THE PROJECT.

CLEAN AND SAFE WATER IS VERY IMPORTANT. TRYING TO KEEP IT THAT WAY SHOULD BE A NO BRAINER. SO WILL HAVE TO PAY A LITTLE MORE BUT ITS FOR THE BETTER.

Clean drinking water has to be a priority.

CLEAN SAFE WATER IS MOST IMPORTANT A PURIFICATION SYSTEM FROM THE PLANT TO CUSTOMERS.

CLEAN SAFE WATER IS V.I.P.

CLEAN THIS WATER UP NO MATTER WHAT THE COST. CLIFTON'S WATER IS DANGEROUS, I WILL NOT DRINK IT.

Clean up the water. Provide safe drinking H2O.

CLEAN WATER IS TOP PRIORITY. COST IS SECONDARY. I THINK IF YOU USE SOME OF THE RESERVOIR FOR PUBLIC USE, MAKE HIKING TRAILS AND GIVE BACK SOMETHING TO THE PUBLIC THEY WOULDN'T MIND THE TANKS.

CLEAN WATER SAFE WATER # 1 CONCERN.

CLEANER WATER AND LESS COST! WHATEVER THE PLAN WOULD BE!

Clifton has many senior citizens on fixed incomes and we cannot afford any increases.

CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC-NO RECREATION FEATURES. PLEASE AVOID CREATING FUTURE FORESEEABLE HEADACHES. IT WILL IMPLY ADDITIONAL COSTS FOR INSURANCE, POLICE, MAINTENANCE, DRUGS, PROSTITUTION, ETC = NO WAY =

Collect and store water in reservoirs. Treat water only before it goes to homes, not before it is stored.



Common sense seems that we should treat water before it's sent to customer , not treat and store. There has to be a better way. What other cities and states do?

Compliance is paramount when something is broke and needs fixing, if there is no need to fix something that is not broke them continue with maintenance of the property as usual.

Compliance with EPA LT2 Rule is of high importance to ensure safe and with highest quality of water being delivered to paying consumers...

COMPLY

Comply with all requirements of the LT2 Rule as soon as possible so our drinking water is SAFE! \* Do not want higher rate but want safe water!! \*Why does safe water cost get passed onto consumer!!!!

COMPLY WITH FEDERAL RULES IN MOST POSSIBLE EFFECTIVE WAY. OPTION WITH UNDERGROUND TANKS. PRESERVE HISTORIC SITES .APPLY FEDERAL MONEY FOR INFUSTRUCTURE PROJECT DON'T THROW YOUR JOB ON UNQUALIFIED CUSTOMERS.

COMPLY WITH L2 NOW, GIVE PEOPLE ALL INFO TO MAKE EDUCATED DECISIONS, DON'T UNFAIRLY WRITE SURVEY'S THAT LEAN TOWARD YOUR END GAME. DONT MAKE ME PAY \$.48 TO VOICE MY OPION! THAT ELIMATES UNDERPRIVELIDGED BOICES OPINIONS FROM BEING HEARD.

COMPLY WITH THE EPA REQUIREMENTS LOWEST COST AND SAFEST WAY . WATER COSTS ARE ALREADY HIGH ..

COMPLY WITH THE EPA RULE IN THE MOST CO\$T EFFECTIVE WAY POSSIBLE. WE ALREADY PAY TOO MUCH FOR OUR WATER/SEWER SERVICE.

Comply with the least cost effective method.

CONCERNS ABOUT THE QUALITY OF THE DRINKING WATER SHOULD BE ADDRESSED BY BUYING BOTTLED WATER TO DRINK DO NOT WASTE MONEY TO HIDE AND DECORATE A TANK FOR \$450,000 WHICH IS INSANITY! ONLY TAX PAYERS SHOULD BE ALLOWED TO VOTE ON THIS. MORE CHEMICALS ADDED TO WATER IS NOT A SOLUTION.

Consider fund raising to avoid charging residents for this project.

CONSIDER WHAT OTHER TOWNS ARE DOING WITH THEIR WATER SITUATIONS AND COMPARE COST, SOLUTIONS AND FEASIBILITY MEASURES WITH THEIR SOLUTIONS. IN THESE TERRORIST TIMES WE SHOULDN'T LEFT OPEN AND NOT SECURED TIMES HAVE CHANGED. SECURE THE DRINKING WATER.

CONTACT FOR PRICING ON A CHEAPER MURAL ONCE YOU INSTALL, THANKS

COULD THE PROCESS BE REVERSED , I.E.STORE THE UNTREATED WATER IN THE LEVINE RESERVOIR , THAN PIPE IT TO THE TREATMENT PLANT THAN DISTRIBUTE IT TO THE HOMES AND BUSINESSES.

Countersue the ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY for overstepping its purpose for existence. This issue has nothing to do with protecting the environment. Furthermore, this issue is easily remedied with free market solutions such as bottled water and in-home water filtration.

COVER RESERVOIR WITH SOLAR PANALS SO BIRD PROBLEM CAN BE RESOLVED.

COVER THE RESERVOIR

COVER THE TANK AND CLEAN THE TANK EVERY 3 MONTHS

CREAT A PWWC WATER PARK THAT INVITES THE PUBLIC TO EXPERIENCE. THE GREATNESS OF THE LEVINE RESERVOIR. MAKE IT DISNEY SAFE. TEACH THE COMMUNITY ABOUT THE IMPORTANCE OF THE EPA'S LT2 RULE. TEACH THE PUBLIC ABOUT WATER SAFETY!

Creating a safe and contamination free storage facility for our drinking water must be a priority.

CUASE OF MILWAUKEE CONTAMINATION NEVER VERIFIED. FAULTY TREATMENT PLANT IN MILWAUKEE CONSIDER POSSIBLE CAUSE. SUBMERG STORAGE TANKS 5' BELOW WATER SURFACE AT THE LEVINE RESERVOIR. OPTION MOST OF YOUR QUESTIONS ARE A CATCH 22.

CURRENT BILL IS TOO HIGH, CANNOT AFFORD ANY INCREASE.

CURRENT WATER GOES FROM RIVER TO TREATMENT TO RESERVOIR TO HOME. WHY NOT RESEQUANCE THE PROCESS AS FOLLOWS WATER GOES FROM RIVER TO RESERVOIR TO TREATMENT TO HOME (NO TANKS TENTS, COVERS, NEEDED).

Customers should not be charged extra.

Cut executive pay to cover the EPA expense

Dear Mr. Amodio, Mr. Bella, Mr. Hanley: Ask me about music ask me about a b-flat chord I have answers. Ask me about water I know nothing. What does the average person know about purifying water? My only answer is, I pay enough taxes so I choose a. which is no additional costs. Yours truly,

Dear PWWC, I appreciate your effort to include the public in this process. However I am not at all happy with the money you have spent on what essentially amounts to a \$140,000 advertising campaign. I am even more disturbed by your use of SurveyMonkey as the vehicle for distributing a 'survey' that is in reality a push poll. While public input is important and should be obtained, the fact remains that you will be the ones making the ultimate decision regarding the fate of Levine and the other reservoirs regardless of what any 'survey' says. Please think twice before spending this amount of money again on any further push poll campaigns for any of the other reservoirs in question. I had to leave a few sections of it blank because many of the questions were either redundant, skewed towards conclusions that were pro-tank, or contradicted other related questions in the study.

Regarding the question of unconsidered alternatives. Have you considered the quarry site at Paxton Road on the other side of the mountain as a possible location for a tank? I would not want it to be considered a candidate unless the integrity of the area could be preserved, but if it would help decrease the environmental impact of the overall plan to the entire region, perhaps it could be looked into. Better yet, why not simply cut the reservoirs loose from the entire plan and look for alternative tank locations on or near the site of the current water treatment plant? Considering the enormous amount of money that you plan to spend on this compliance project, surely other sites could be found nearer to the heart of your existing operation.

While I recognize the fact that you are in the business of protecting the water supply and providing clean water to the public, for all intensive purposes you have actually been operating a wildlife sanctuary by default. This is in reference to all the reservoirs in question, not just Levine. The public outcry in objection to the tanks is not just about aesthetics, it is a call for the preservation of a valuable commodity - protected open space. That is essentially what the public is afraid of loosing. So why not dig deeper and find a way to provide the public with safe clean water and a protected conservation area too? This may very well be a once in a lifetime opportunity to create a sanctuary that could benefit future generations.

Many, myself included, are concerned that if the tanks are built and the surrounding land is no longer required as a watershed,

that it will be sold off and developed. This would be an issue even if the property was placed into the Passaic County Park's hands because as far as I know, there is currently no existing protected conservation zone in the area. Please take measures to protect this open space.

Also, so far there has been no mention made of the environmental impact that your compliance program will have on the Third River that is sourced from one of the reservoirs that might be eliminated. How would this impact flooding along the wetlands and park lands of the many towns downstream? The public needs to know more. Asking for public input in this study without providing adequate environmental impact information is not in the best interest of the communities surrounding the affected areas of your project.

I would like you to re-investigate the cheaper ultraviolet disinfection (40-million-dollars) that was ruled out in your feasibility study due to concerns over high doses of ultraviolet radiation and increased capacity at the treatment plant. Your concern over high doses of ultraviolet radiation seems a bit far fetched when one considers that fact that these kinds of purification systems are already widely available to the public for use in their homes to purify fish ponds, aquariums, and drinking water. As for increasing capacity at the treatment plant, if over one hundred million dollars is going to be spent anyway, and if it could save the reservoirs, you should take a second look at it.

Concerning your claim (and accompanying cartoons) that you have not been providing the public with clean drinking water for what appears to be years, I would like more proof that this is indeed the case. I believe we are drinking chlorinated water, and if so, then letting the water 'air out' in a reservoir would remove that chlorination in the same way you leave the water out overnight to de-chlorinate it when setting up a fish tank, only on a much larger scale. One has to wonder why you would publicly admit to failing to keep our water safe and clean. If the statements and cartoons of unclean reservoir water being piped directly into our faucets turn out to be misleading, a do-over may be required and that will end up making this even more expensive.

Thank you for this opportunity to convey my thoughts and ideas. I hope they are helpful. Hopefully you will have as much time as you need to come to a conclusion that will cause the least disruption to the natural landscape of the area while at the same time provide clean water and conserve wildlife.

Dear sirs, We wish you well for the project! The pamphlet was very helpful. Thank you.

DEAR SIR: THANK YOU FOR THE SURVEY. WE THINK YOU PEOPLE ARE VERY KNOWLEDGEABLE. WE LEAVE IT UP TO YOU AS LONG AS WE DON'T GET ADDITIONAL COSTS FOR THE WATER USAGE. SINCERELY,

DID YOU EVER THINK TO CLEAN UP THE NEIGHBORHOOD OF THE FALLS I AM TOTALLY ASHAMED TO CALL THIS A HISTORIC AREA. CLEAN UP! A FORMER PATERSON PERSON MY SON SAYS TO ME DON'T TELL ANYONE YOU WERE BORN IN PATERSON HOPE THE TANKS WORK.

Direct the flow of the Passaic River water directly into the reservoir. Redirect the reservoir water directly into the treatment plant. Then send the water from the treatment plant to our faucets. Perhaps the costs would be less and you would save the beauty of the area.

Do a pretreatment from the river and a final treatment after the reservoir before being sent to our faucets. Use the Levine Reservoir as a storage (holding) area.

DO NEWARK AND NYC HAVE TO COER OR CHANGE THEIR SYSTEMS?

DO NOT BUILD TANKS. DO NOT COVER RESERVOIRS KEEP ALL AS IS I BELIEVE THIS IS A MONEY MAKING SCHEME FOR POLITICAL CONTRISUTUERES TO MAKE MONEY ON THEBACKS OF TAXPAYERS.

Do not have any alternative ideas at the moment. Thank you for the survey

DO NOT SPEND ANY EXTRA MONEY . I'M A WIDOW WITH LIMITED INCOME THANK YOU

DO NOTHING! I WILL NEVER VOTE FOR ANYONE OR ANY THING TO CHANGE. ANY PERSON RUNNING FOR OFFICE CONSIDERING THIS MY FAMILY FRIENDS AND I WILL NEVER NEVER VOTE FOR THEM.

Do something temporarily now to scare off the birds and ducks before someone gets sick.

DO WHAT HAS TO BE DONE WITH NO MORE COST TO US.

DO WHAT HAS TO BE DONE, THE EPA WANTS THIS YET, THERE IS NO MENTION OF FEDERAL AID? YOU ARE WORRIED ABOUT APPEARANCES? WE WANT CLEAN WATER NOT PICTURES OR PRETTY BUILDINGS. CONSIDER YOUR CUSTOMERS FINANCIAL ISSUES AS WELL. YOU CHANGE TOO MUCH ALREADY ASSHOLES

DO WHAT IS REQUIRED BY THE EPA LTZ RULE

DO WHAT MUST BE DONE QUICKLY TO AVOID FURTHER ESCALATING COSTS; KEEP COSTS DOWN FOR THE CONSUMERS. MAYBE SPREAD THE FINANCE IMPACT TO THE CONSUMER OVER A PERIOD OF YEARS, WATER MUST BE SAFE TO DRINK

Do what you need to do at the lowest cost to the customer

Do whatever is best to insure the population of quality water.

DO WHATEVER IS NECESSARY O GTHAT OUR DRINKING WATER IS SAFE AS ADULTS AND CHILDREN REGARDLESS OF COSTS. COST SAVING MEASURES IS NOT IN THE BEST INTEREST OF OUR HEALTH.

DO YOUR BEST TO KEEP COSTS AT A MINIMUM

DOES HACKENSACK WATER CO AT ORDELL RESERVOIR HAVE TANKS? I DON'T REMEMBER EVER SEING TAKNS AT ORADELL RESERVE. HOW DO THEY DO THESE RESERVOIRS? OU SHOULD LET YOUR CUSTOMERS KNOW HOW OTHER WATER COMPANIES PROTECT THEIR WATER AT THEIR RESERVOIRS.

DOING WHAT IS THE BEST THAT WOULD BENIFIT HEALTH OF OUR CITIZENS WHICH IS MOST IMPORTANT

DON'T TREAT WATER BEFORE PUTTING IN RESERVOIR . HAVE YOUR STUDIED OTHER COMMUNITIES TO SEE IF TREY HAVE BETTER SOLUTIONS TO LOWER COSTS TO COMSUMERS. WE CAN'T MORE & MORE EXPENCE EACH WHEN MANY OF HAVE LIMITED FIXED INCOME OR NO JOB

DON'T TREAT WATER THAT S STORED TREAT WATER AS ITS BEING UTILIZED.

DON'T UNDERSTAND WHY THE FEE TO READ A METER IS ABOUT 5-6 TIMES MORE THAN ACTUAL USAGE IS WE ARE MOSTLY SENIORS ON A FIXED INCOME THIS IS AN OUTRAGE AND GREEDY AMOUNT SHAME ON YOU..

DON.T KNOW MUCH JUST WANT WATER TO BE CLEAN AND NOT RAISE ANY COST WHAT SO EVER AS IT IS WE ALREADY TO MANY LIVING EXPENSES.

DON'T CARE-CHEAPEST AND SAFEST

DON'T COMPLY, CHALLENGE THE LT2 RULE, STALL THE EPAàTHE ORGANIZATION IS WAY OUT OF CONTROL, THEY CREATE RULES TO KEEP THEMSELVES IN BUSINESS. HAS THERE EVER BEEN ANY INCIDENTS IN NJ INDICATING A NEED FOR ALL OF THIS? THE SOLUTION MUST MATCH A PROBLEM. IS THERE A PROBLEM OR JUST A CONTRIVED REASON FOR THIS RULE?

DON'T DELAY THIS NEEDS TO BE ADDRESSED ASAP. IT'S A SHAME THAT THE PUBLIC HAS BEEN MISLEAD INTO THINKING THEIR WATER IS CLEAN! AS A PARENT, I CANNOT TELL YOU HOW IMPORTANT THIS IS TO ME THAT CLEAN WATER BE PROVIDED ASAP!

DON'T GIVE A S\*\*\* YOU ARE GOING TO DO WHAT YOU WANT ANYWAY.

DON'T HAVE ANY ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

Don't know much about the site. Too bad. When bills are issued why isn't a brochure published which gives the consumer incentives to visit the site--thru school visitations, groups, etc.

DON'T KNOW WHY YOU BOTHERED DOING THIS WASTE OF MATERIAL. YOU WILL DO PVWC WILL DO AS YOU PLEASE, COSTING SOMETHING MORE TO TAXPAYERS.

DON'T OVER THINK THIS. JUST DO SOMETHING.

Don't pretreat it before it is stored in the resevoir. Bypass initial treatment and treat at the resevoir so resources are not wasted twice for minor secondary contamination.

DON'T PRETREAT WATER-PRETREAT WHEN BEING SENT OUT TO HOMES.

DON'T PUT THE COST ON THE CUSTOMER MANY OF WHO ARE PAYING A FORTUNE IN PURCHASEING WATER AT STORES.THIS SHOULD BEEN RESOLVED DECADES AGO AND IS A DISCRACE. PVWC SHOULD ABSORB ALL THE COST..

Do not approve the tanks

DO NOT KNOW NOT A ENGINEER

DRINKING WATER HAS BEEN OPEN AND AVAILBLE TO BIRDS AND OTHER ANIMALS SINCE THE BEGINNING OF TIME. FOR THIS REASON I DISAGREE WITH THE IMPOSED REQUIREMENTS OF THE EPA.

Each household can boil their drinking water. Cost is lower than any of your alternatives.

Eliminate the geese. 1993 sickened 403,000 people, 30 deaths. It is now 22 years later--has this occured again? What would the cost be to provide filters for household faucets. What's next [illegible].

Eliminate the non-migratory geese that is the main reason for all these problems.

ELIMINATE THE RESERVOIR HAVE THE WATER COME THE TREATMENT PLANT TO THE PEOPLES FAWCETS

Enhance historic area. Minimize development impact.

ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERS KNOW BETTER

EPA LT2 RULE SHOULD GO OUT THE WINDOW. LEAVE WELL ENOUGH ALONE.



EPA rule was issued in 2002, why have you been sitting on you hands for thirteen years? The tank would have been less expensive if it had been built 10 to 12 years ago. This shows a lack of leadership.

EPA ruling is nothing but a cash cow! This project is going to make some company rich and your clients poor. I will turn off my water supply from PVWC and find my own solution!!! The EPA should be more concerned about the pollution of ground water!

EPA should have some input financially to fix the issue

EPA SHOULD STOP ALL FUTURE REQUIREMENTS MOST CITIZENS USE IN HOUSE FILTERING OR BOTTLE WATER.

EVERY WATER USER INSTALL A FILTER TREATMENT AT USE LOCATION. 1/2 PAID BY PVWC.

Everyone I know is drinking bottled water.

EVERYTIME THINGS CHANGE THE TAX PAYER PAYS THROUGH THE NOSE. I'M FED UP, MY BILLS ARE VERY HIGH, I AM IN THIS TOWN ALL MY LIFE I REMEMBER WHEN WE PAID \$5 EVERY THREE MONTHS BEFORE YOU STARTED TO MAKE US PAY FOR SEWERS. GIVE ME A BREAK I EVEN HAVE TO PAY FOR A STAMP, HA! HOW MUCH MONEY DOES JOSEPH A BELLA MAKE A YEAR? I LIVE ON SS IM 84 YEARS OLD AND BARELY SURVIVE ON IT. TAKE YOU SURVEY AND BURN IT. YOU ALREADY KNOW THE OUTCOME, SO WHY ASK?

EXCUSE ME: I NEED INFO IN ESPANISH.

Expand drinking water in all towns. I don't drink tap water - I use a water filter. Thank you.

Explain why the problem with the floating ball similar to the ones used in California can not be overcome. Example freezing I was told harms them. Anything that turned you off to using the floating ball system.

Explore weighted shade balls to cover. This method is being used out west. LA maybe? By weighted I mean that they would always have the same portion up.

FAILURE TO ABIDE BY THE EPA LT2 RULE PUTS THE PUBLIC AT RISK. PLEASE SAFEGUARD THE PUBLIC HEALTH!! SECURE THE WATER SUPPLY FROM THE POSSIBILITY OF TERRORISM THROUGH POSSIBLE CONTAMINATION OR POISONING.

Fight against the requirements. Who's to say that anyone but the citizens knows what's best for their own safety than them; given that we know all the facts.

FIGHT AGAINST EPA AND CORRUPT LAWLESS OBAMA REGIME NO MATTER THE COST .

Fight for a 17 year delay until further alternatives may become possible. None of the current alternatives workà we are destroying lovely scenic areas, disrupting historical zones and increasing costs to taxpayers. We are already over-taxed.

FIGURE OUT A WAY TO FILTER WATER IN A OPEN RESERVOIR

Filter the water at home. I do that often. And it help.

FILTERS WHEN WATER IS LEAVING THE RESERVOIR-LIKE THE COAL FILTERS IN A WATER JUG IN THE HOUSE. IS THIS WATER ALREADY TRIPLE DISTILLED BETWEEN THE RESERVOIR AND OUR FAUCETS? WOULD THIS BE CONSIDERED RETREATMENT? WOULD THIS BE CHEAPER THAN BUILDING TANKS. MICROBES AND ANIMAL DROPPING AS IS.

FIND A LOOPHOLE

FIND NATURAL PREDATORS TO CHASE WATER FOWL FROM AREA..

First of all, I think treating the water as it leaves the reservoir is far better than either tanks or covers. Second, to mitigate costs of re-treatment, is it possible to discontinue treatment as water enters the reservoir? If so, the water would only be treated one time, so ongoing maintenance and personnel of the exit-option would simply be replacing the inbound version now. Finally, if tanks are built, I find it incredibly hard to believe that plants/trees to hide them would cost \$200,000!!! Mitigation options could include smaller trees that wouldn't provide full coverage immediately, but in the near future, and/or painting the tanks a solid green (cheaper than the mural option) to fill in the gaps between smaller trees. I think in any case, maintaining as much as possible of the existing reservoir should be a priority. BTW, there was no illustration of how the smaller buildings would look or if paint/tree options would apply to them as well.

First of all, the map provided is so small you can't tell where it is. I think we should comply with the EPA LT2 Rule, but the commission should find the cheapest way not to add any costs to the consumer.

FIRST OFF I THINK THAT IT IS DISGUSTING THAT WE ARE PAYING FOR CLEAN WATER AND THAT WE HAVE BEEN GETTING MEAGER SERVICE. FIRST NO ONE PERSON SHOULD BE MAKING MORE THAN \$60,000. WATER SHOULD ALWAYS BE HELD IN A CLOSED TANK THE MONEY YOU GUYS MAKE SHOULD BE NON PROFIT. YOU'RE PAID TO GIVE A SERVICE.

Fix the quality of our water at the expense of those who pollute it & stop overcharging your customers for less than safe water. Have your CEO's take pay cuts that should solve the monetary problem.

FOLLOW LEGAL REQUIREMENTS AND FOCUS ON MINIMIZING COST PASSED TO CUSTOMERS.

FOLLOW THE LAW AND MAKE THE WATER SAFE NOW I KNOW WHY THE PVWC HAS FAILED SO MANY TESTS AS PUBLISHED TO RESIDENTS. I CAN'T BELIEVE THIS HASN'T BEEN RECTIFIED SOONER GIVING THE RISKS

For me the most important considerations are the quality of the drinking water and the ecological conservation of the site and area.

FOR ONE THING JOB BEING CLOSE DOWN LEFT AND RIGHT COST OF LIVING IS HIGH SO MAKING CHANGES JUST LEAVE THINKING THE WAY IT IS COST OF LIVING IS HIGH ALREADY AND TO MAKE NEW CHARGE FOR BETTER ARE GOING TO COST THE PUBLIC, SO LEAVE WELL ENOUGH ALONE.

FOR SECURITY PURPOSES/QUESTION, WHEN THE WATER WAS OUT THE OPEN HOW WAS IT KEPT SAFE PREVIOUSLY? I'M CONFUSED BY THE 2ND OPTION OF COVER & LINER BEING A SECURITY CONCERN. CAN EACH OPTION BE ELABORATED ON? I WAS GOING TO SAY IF YOU HAVE TREES HERE AND NOT SECURE FENCE HOW IS IT SAFER OR LESS EXPENSIVE THEN #2 OPTION? WILL THE TANK HAVE SECURITY AROUND IT? DOESN'T SEEM THAT WAY.

For unknown reason, the drinking water turns brown and clogs up our hot water tank which costs \$2,500 to replace. I am an engineer on public work projects and don't see efficiency being used.

FOR WHAT WE PAY WE DESERVE CLEAN AND HEALTHY WATER. WHERE IS OUR MONEY GOINGà???

FORGET ABOUT ALL THE BEAUTIFICATION AND REC IDEAS. JUST CLEAN THE UNSAFE WATER AND COVER IT FROM OUTSIDE DISEASE-CAUSING MICRO ORGANISMS. I DRINK WATAR FROM THE TAP. IVE CHANGED MY MIND UNTIL YOU CORRECT THE SICKENING SITUATION. I NOW DRINK BOTTLED WATER. TAKE ACTION SOON THAN LATER.

Found online that City of Rochester, NY did waterproof liners inside reservoirs and built/installed UV treatment units at reservoirs to keep the visual appeal. Is re-treatment the use of UV technology?

FROM WHAT I HAVE READ, MANY AUTHORITIES ARE AWAITING FURTHER RULINGS BY THE EPA. I DOUBT THAT THE AGENC WOULD SEVERLY PENALIZE ALL THESE ENTITIES. (BAD POLITICS) LET'S WAIT AND SEE WHAT HAPPENS ON APPEAL. THANK YOU FOR MAKING THIS SURVEY.

Geese are not more important than people. Getting rid of them is practical and cheaper. Many other locations in NJ have captured (w/ nets) and kill to resolve these problems. Also, numbers can be reduced with sterilization. Fix the problem by getting rid of the high volume of geese.

GET MY WATER CLEAN I AIN TRYIN TO GET KILT LIKE MILWAKEE

GET RID OF EPA HUGE SAVINGS

Get rid of the EPA! They will destroy this country!

GET RID OF THE GEESE. THEY ARE POLLUTING ALL OF OUR WATER WAYS.

GID RID OF THE FOWL

GIVE MORE CLUES TO THE QUESTIONS AND TO MAKE IT SERIOUS AS WELL AS EXCITING . ALSO TRY TO MAKE SIMPLER .ALSO INCLUDE FULL NAME ,ADDRESS, AND PHONE #. THATS ALL I WANTED PWVC TO DO TO THERE SURVEYS.

GOOD JOB. GOOD LUCK WITH THE PROJECT.

Good luck

GOOD LUCK WITH THE OUT COME.

GOOD LUCK WITH YOUR DECISSIONS . YOU GOT LOTS TO CONSIDER.

growing up in Bergen ct. we used united water continually maintained all the access waqys to the reservoir .the reservoir preserves the nature habitat and beauty of the area. here in Paterson area there becoming fewer and fewer nature habitats .preservering the reservoir maintains the beauty of the area.

Had my tap water tested; results were horrifying; my tap water contains higher levels of chlorine and antibiotics than in swimming pool water; it is NOT POTABLE; I have been buying bottled water for my family for more than 10 years; you people are all liars.

HALF UNDER GROUND HALF ABOVE GROUND.

Has anyone spoken to Lake George, NY. The lake has recreation, swimming, boats, animals and is the towns water source.

HAS STUDIES BEEN DONE TO DETERMINE THE ODDS OR LIKELYHOOD THT WHAT HAPPENED IN MILWAUKEE COULD HAPPEN HERE OR ELSEWHERE?

Has the PVWC considered covering the reservoirs on Garrett Mountain with inert plastic balls. This technique is used on reservoirs in California. They keep out contamination and minimize vaporization.

Have a contest of graffiti artists to give ideas of different scenes to cover the tanks. Paint trees, bushes on the sides and a water scene on the top.

Have artists/students in the community paint the tank and have some sort of fundraiser for supplies. Also I would like to know why the customers have to incur the fee when I believe the initial decision was not made by the public?

HAVE EPA PAY FOR IT ASK NJ CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION TO GET FEDERAL MONEY FOR PROJECT

HAVE MORE INSPECTIONS EACH YEAR . POLLUTED WATER IS OUR MAIN CONCERN . HIGH MAINTENANCE HEALTH AND WELL BEING PROBLEM WE LOOK FOR SOLUTIONS.

HAVE PVWC WORK WITH STUDENTS TO CREATE A SOLUTION THAT STYDENTS CAN EDUCATE AND ENGAGE THEMSELVES AT THE FACILITIES

HAVE TANK MADE OUT OF GLASS SO ITS NICER TO LOOK AT AND DOES NOT ADD ANY BPA TO THE CLEAN WATER.

Have the Art Factory paint for free. Ask for Dave. Please fix the fence at the Costello side near the Art Factory side. There are dangerous opening where children can get hurt & fall to their death. Please fix it, it's been 5 years I have seen this!

HAVE THE EPA FOOT THE BILL THEY ALREADY GENERATE ENOUGH REVENUE FROM THE TAX PAYERS MONIES THE EPA IS THE GREATEST BLOCK FOR CAPITALISM IN THE COUNTRY. DO NOT RAISE OUR PVWC BILL.

HAVE YOU CONSIDERED AT LEAST PARTIALLY BURYING THE TANK BELOW GROUND? OR IS THER BEDROCK ON A SHORT DISTANCE BELOW THE GROUND SURFACE?

Have you considered constructing the storage tanks partially or completely underground at the Levine site? This would appease those who might see the tanks from their buildings.

Having clean and safe water is very important, you cannot put a price on any life, person or animal. Open reservoirs are not safe, so much has changed over the years. I grew up in 1961 and Clifton is not what it was back in the day. The farms are gone, the trees are gone, everything is overpopulated, where did nature go? Things were safer and simpler then. Water tanks with trees are a good idea. The water will be safe and we will still have nature.

Healthy, safe water is Number One!!! The facility should be maintained and kept clean and neat. Customers should not have to pay to make it look pretty.

Historic district. That's funny...

HOPEFULLY WE CAN DRINK THIS WATER FROM FAUCET. I SPEND A LOT OF MONEY BUYING SPRING WATER FOR MY FAMILY. I AM SO AFRAID OF DRINKING PASSAIC WATER EVEN KNOW WE PAY FOR IT. THIS IS A SAD SITUATION.

How about a tank below ground surface or part underground with fiberglass below grade.

HOW ABOUT TREATING WATER AFTER THE RESERVOIR INSTEAD OF BEFORE.SOUNDS MUCH MORE LOGICAL . TREATING IT BEFORE SEEMSBACKWARDS.

How about utilizing UV (ultraviolet) purification methods. Or, checking with nearby municipalities and joining them.

How about we don't build these tanks and instead make it a recreational area.

HOW CAN NORTH ARLINGTON BE THE ONLY ONE WITH THIS PROBLEM.

HOW COME THE TANK CAN'T BE IN THE GROUND?

How many years the reservoirs have been there? Many years. Leave alone. Stay the way they are.

HOW OFTEN IS OUR CURRENT DRINKING WATER TESTED AFTER IT'S IN THE RESERVOIR FOR CONTAMINATES?

HOWEVER YOU INSTALL THE TANKS IS THE MOST INPORTANT SOLUTION

<http://www.dailymail.co.uk/sciencetech/article-3194098/Could-plastic-balls-bring-relief-drought-stricken-California-Los-Angeles-releases-96-million-spheres-protect-reservoir-water.html>

I AGREE BECAUSE THE HEALTH FIRST.

I AGREE WITH PROTECTING THIS WATER RESERVOIR CLIFTON WATER IS DISGUSTING, I NEVER DRINK IT.

I ALWAYS THOUGHT THE WATER WAS FILTERED BEFORE IT WENT THROUGH THE FACET. OUR WATERS SHOULD BE PROTECTED THIS IS A VERY IMPORTANT FOUNDATION FOR LIFE.

I ALWAYS THOUGHT THE WATER WAS TREATED RIGHT BEFORE BEING SENT INTO HOUSEHOLDS, FACTORIES, ETC. I ALSO THINK ITS IMPORTANT TO PROTECT THE WATER SUPPLY FROM ENEMIES. IT'S IMPORTANT TO PROTECT THE RESERVOIR BUT MORE IMPORTANT TO PROTECT THE SAFETYU AND HEALTH OF THE WATER FIRST.

I AM 2 YEARS NEW TO CLIFTON. THE WATER QUALITY IS NOT AS GOOD AS OTHER PLACES I HAVE LIVED IN NJ. ALL I ASK IS FOR BETTER WATER OUT OF MY TAP.

I AM A CUSTOMER BUT I DO NOT DRINK THE WATER SINCE IT COMES FROM THE POSSAIC RIVER. THE MOST POLLUTED ONE IN THE COUNTRY. REGARDLESS OF TREATMENT I DON'T TRUST THE WATER. I DON'T TRUST PVWC NOR THE POLITICIANS SITTING ON THE BOARD.

I AM A RETIREE, SO COST IS AN IMPORTANT FACTOR. BUT SO IS THE HEALTH OF THE POPULATION AND MEETING GOVERNMENT REQUIREMENTS. I SAY DO THESE TWO THINGS AT THE LOWEST COST POSSIBLE. IT'S NICE TO TRY TO BLEN IN THE TAKN WITH THE SURROUNDINGS, BUT LET S NOT GET TOO CUTE!



I am a senior citizen and I'm living on a fixed income. The water has a very bad odor.

I am a senior citizen on very little income and I have to buy drinking water because your water is not for drinking.

I am against doing anything. Other states have done NOTHING and the Feds have taken no action to punish them. I have attended many meetings about this including the one comment about the danger of polio. Apparently you do not know that the polio vaccine has eliminated polio in this country.

I am concerned about the wildlife who depend on the reservoir for their lifestyle. It seems the EPA has not been truthful about the 1993 Milwaukee incident, since the problem was caused by a malfunction of their water filtration system. Since no such problem has occurred here, therefore, I don't see any reason to change the system at a cost to the customers. The EPA again, is using their power of control to invent a situation that does not exist. My question is WHY.....I can't help but feel, money has much to do with it....stop taking away the little wildlife and beauty we have left in this congested County....Our water is FINE.....

I AM FOR CLEAN DRINKING WATER. I CURRENTLY BOIL ALL MY DRINKING WATER AS A PRECAUTION. THE TANK IS NOT THAT BAD IN AESTHETIC. THANK YOU FOR KEEPING THE WATER CLEAN.

I am horrified you haven't already complied with EPA guidelines.

I AM IN FAVOR OF A TANK WHICH SHOULD BEEN DONE YEARS AGO. ALSO TREES LANDSCAPING IS ALSO PROVIDING THE TREE ROOTS DONOT AFFECT THE INTEGRITY OF THE TANK OVER TIME. THANK YOU FOR ALLOWING FEEDBACK FROM YOUR CUSTOMERS.CLEAN WATER IS ESSENTIAL FOR LIFE.

I AM NOT CERTAIN JUST HOW MANY PEOPLE WERE AWARE THAT THE WATER STORED IN THE RESERVOIR IS ALREADY TREATED.

I am not knowledgeable enough to make any alternative suggestions. I just know I want clean and safe water, at a reasonable cost, for my family to drink and for normal household uses.

I am not qualified to suggest alternatives to the current proposals as suggested. Perhaps, as the study goes forward, updates to the public would be a measure for individuals like myself to examine and further comment.

I AM ONE OF THE PEOPLE IN LAKE THAT PAYS FOR WATER .I DON'T USE EVERY QUARTER.THE LESS YOU DO IS BETTER FOR ME OR I BE STUCK PAYING MORE FOR A LOT LESS.

I am quite impressed with your communication via letter and your survey as well as grateful for your diligent and thorough work. I am a strong opponent in the citizenry giving you the full liberty to do what is the highest right way to proceed with full satisfaction for those who might be left with what they perceive to be an unsightly construct. For those reasons I am willing to support and pay my full share of the best we can achieve.

i am really lost on this matter ! I'm a senior citizen on fixed income and already struggling with a sewer tax. PVWC has never gotten back to me on my bill that went 13 units to 45 units in the same time period ,previous year -impossible since I live alone . thats why I'm leary about this project .Please ask the Federal Govt to provide funds to complete this project - not its senior residents !

I AM SHOCKED WE ARE FINDING OUT ABOUT THIS NOW. RATES ARE HIGH ENOUGH, WE SHOULD HAVE NEVER SOLD THE WATER COMPANY TO PVWC.

I AM UPSET LEARNING ABOUT THE QUALITY OF THE WATER. AS A CONDO OWNER IN PASSAIC I FEEL AS THOUGH I PAY A VERY SIGNIFICANT WATER BILL. AS A RETIRED PERSON ON A VERY FIXED INCOME I DON'T WANT TO SEE MY WATER BILL INCREASE. WHY WASN'T THIS FACT (WATER QUALITY) ADDRESSED YEARS AGO?

I AM WORRIED ABOUT TERRORISM. BUILD WATER STORAGE TANKS.

I and my family drink this top water for so many years and We are fine and healthy I do not see any need of change to the present status. Thanks

I APPRECIATE THE FACT THAT YOU SHARE YOUR CONCERNS WITH THE RESIDENTS AND ALLOWING US TO TAKE PART IN OUR DECISION MAKING. THANK YOU

I ALWAYS BOIL THE WATER BUT I WANT SAFE AND CLEAN WATER FROM PVWC

I believe in the tanks because the risk of contaminated water is a High Riskfactor that no one can tally. Air borne illnesses will be the plague of the 21st century and no illness or contaminates should come out of your drinking water. Move the water to tanks and reuse the reservoir for historical and health purposes. Walking past and learning the history of the Passaic River would be a learning experience for citizens to share together.

I BELIEVE RE-TREATMENT OF THE WATER WOULD BE THE BEST CHOICE.

I BELIEVE THAT EVERYONE SHOULD FIGHT BACK AGAINST LT2. THE COSTS INVOLVED ARE ONEROUS AND THE EPA IS STEPPING BEYOND ITS OWN BOUNDRIES IN AN ATTEMPT TO GIVE MORE POWER , REGARDLESS OF THE COST AND BENEFITS.

I believe that we have been getting our drinking water for a hundred years this way. I believe that politicians think this is a solution to eliminate a terrorist threat to our reservoirs. There is no need to change anything.

I believe the state of our drinking supply (lead, wildlife) is horrific. Every time I receive a notice from PVWC I cringe because I know it will be just another notice informing me that there are dangerous levels of some toxin or waste in our drinking water. Sadly, but thankfully, it has taken federal government action to force us to better our drinking water conditions. It's about time.

I BELIEVE THERE IS MORE NEED TO SAFEGUARD THE FRESH DRINKING WATER BESIDE CONCERN ABOUT DISEASE. IF FEAR TERRORISM AND READY ACCESS TO OUR WATER SUPPLY. I THINK EPA LT2 CAN ONLY PASS AND THE SOONER THE WATER SUPPLY IS PROTECTED IN TANKS, THAT CANNOT EASILY BE TAMPERED WITH, THE BETTER ON SO MANY LEVELS.

I BELIEVE WE ALL CAN AGREE 1ST AND FOREMOST WATER IS ONE OF OUR MOST IMPORTANT RESOURCES FOR LIFE AND HOW WE PRESERVE, PROTECT AND TRANSMIT IT. AGAIN WE ALL HAVE A STAKE AND SHOULD BE CHARGED ACCORDINGLY FOR ITS PROTECTION AND USE. RESIDENTIAL, BUS, GOVNT, MUST BE WILLING TO PAY OUR FAIR SHARE- NO EXCEPTIONS. AESTHETICS VS PRAGMATICS.

I CAN'T AFFORD MY WATER BILL TO INCREASE AND MY TAXES HAVE INCREASED TO THE POINT WHERE I MAY HAVE TO MOVE.

I CAN THINK OF ANY OTHER ALTERNATIVES.

I CAN,T BELEIVE YOU PEOPLE ARE PAID WELL TO CREATE SO MUCH RED TAPE AND BS DO YOUR F\*\*\*ING JOBS ALREADY

I CAN'T BELIEVE THAT ANYONE WOULD STORE WATER IN THE OPEN AFTER IT HAS BEEN TREATED.

I CAN'T BELIEVE YOU PEOPLE HAVE THE NERVE TO CHARGE FOR THIS WATER!!! IT'S A SIN FOR SURE.

I can't share any thoughts because I don't know anything about that business.

I CAN'T THINK OF ANY ADDITIONAL ALTERNATIVES BUT I DO THINK IT'S ABSURD THAT THE ISSUE IS SO HOTLY DEBATED. THE VEIW FOR 12 BUILDINGS IS NOT WORTH COMPROMISING WATER INTEGRITY FOR SO MANY MINICIPAITIES. SAFTEY FIRST..

I cannot think of a better alternative.

I consider water quality to be of great importance however I am more concerned with chemicals in the water than bacteria. Water can always be boiled in an emergency... Regarding Levine, I don't like any of the options presented here. I think they will all negatively impact the historic park area. I think PVWC should seek to delay any action until new, and more favorable options become available. Thank you

I could care less about the Paterson Historic District. You can tear it down to use as building material for your projects. Just stop raising water prices. That's what I care about.

I currently use bottled water for drinking. I do make coffee with tap water. I do not see any need for treating the water for myself. Have you thought of supplying homes with bottled water. It would probably be less expensive than I now pay and possibly no need for the ruling.

I currently use bottled water only for drinking and cooking, because I understand the lead content is not safe. I support measures to ensure clean, safe, water.

I DEFINITELY LIKE THE WATER BEING TREATED AFTER IT IS STORED AND STORING THE WATER IN A SAFE WAY TANKS.

I DIDN'T ANSWER Q11 AND Q12 BECAUSE I DON'T FELL I KNOWN ENOUGH ABOUT THE LEVINE RESERVOIR. MY MAIN CONCERN IS SAFE DRINKING WATER . I'LL THOSE ISSUES TO THE EXPERTS.

I do believe clean, healthy water is more important than worrying about the historic district, which most Paterson residents don't care for, what they care for is their next fix. Sorry to say but it's true, as well as no one out of state travels to the filthy city of Paterson to see the district. Maybe 5th graders go as a filed trip. Clean drinking water is far more important to us & our pets.

I do not believe that a water tank changes much about Paterson. Even if the city is located in the historic district, people are afraid or not interested in this city anyway.

I do not believe the CH2M Hill report. A typical consultant slanted report - wasted money!

I do not have at this time other thoughts about this but I do hope our water is more safe cause there are far too many people who could possibly become ill if the water is not stored in tanks and not in the open. A solution has to be made soon & I believe you will find a good safe one. Thank you.

I do not know about alternatives, but my concerns are about how this would affect wildlife and cost to homeowners. It bothers me if only home and business owners would have to absorb this cost. This should be absorbed by all with some type of local tax applied to goods.

I do not think it wise to make our source of drinking water accessible to the general public for obvious reasons. Please protect our financial resources to protect our water source and the residents who need the valuable resource. It should not be an attraction.

I do not want to pay anything extra in my water bill. In Clifton my taxes are already to HIGH, I pay a SEWER BILL every 6 months. I do not have extra money in my budget to pay for this.

I don't have any IDEAS ON THE WAQTER EXCEPT TO SAY PROTECT OUR DRINKING WATER IN THE MOST COST EFFECTIVE WAY.

I DON'T HAVE ANY IDEAS, BUT PATERSON IS DIRTY UGLY SO NOTHING CAN MAKE IT WORSE.

I DON'T KNOW ENOUGH ABOUT WHAT OTHER OPTIONS MIGHT BE AVAILABLE THAT HAVE BEEN INVESTIGATED AS YET .WE NEED GOOD SAFE DRINKING WATER.

I DON'T KNOW OF ANY ALTERNATIVES BUT I I,M OUTRAGED TO FIND THAT I HAVE BEEN DRINKING WATER THAT WAS EXPOSED TO DUCK,BIRD, AND OTHER KINDS OF POO AFTER THE TREATMENT.

I DON'T KNOW THIS CAUGHT ME BY SURPRISE THE DISADVANTAGES HIGHER COSTS IMPT. LANDMARKS INFRINGED

I don' t have other ideas. No one wants to see increases in already significant bills; however, I consider safe, clean drinking water to be worth the cost. If you can't drink the water coming out of the faucet, you would be purchasing water daily, which also costs money and adds up on a yearly basis.

I don't agree to any extra charges for water at this time. We already pay enough money for water to get another increases. A tank construction for water will be helped in this case.

I DON'T CARE ABOUT APPEARANCE OR HIKING PATHS OR HISTORICAL DOCUMENTATION. I WANT CLEAN SAFE WATER!

I DON'T DRINK OR COOK WITH TAP WATER. I LEAVE IT TO YOU PROFESSIONALS TO DO WHAT IS BEST FOR THE PUBLIC (WATER HAS A TERRIBLE ODOR).

I don't have an alternative method but wanted to express my appreciation of being asked my opinion on what you have on the table right now. It was refreshing to be included in the process rather than simply told what will be. I prefer the water be cleaned at the reservoir and I hope you will be able to do so as economically as possible. Doing nothing is not only fiscally irresponsible with regard to fines, it is choosing a path that creates lawsuit potential based on admitted liability, which, in the end is also fiscally irresponsible.

I don't have any recommendations since I don't have the knowledge necessary; all I know is that I am a customer who wants clean water at the cheapest possible way. Thank you.

I don't have any thoughts.

I DON'T HAVE ENOUGH INFORMATION TO KNOW IF I WOULD SUPPORT OR OPPOSE THESE MEASURES I'M OPERATING HERE ON THE ASSUMPTION THAT THE EPA IS COMPLYING WITH SOUND SCIENTIFIC STUDY AND APPLICABLE LAW. IF I ASSUME THE EPA IS ACTING SOLELY IN THE PUBLIC INTEREST, THEN I SUPPORT THE CONSTRUCTION OF A TANK WITHOUT RESERVATION.

I DON'T KNOW BUT AS A SENIOR CITIZEN CITIZEN ON A FIXED INCOME OUR WATER BILLS ARE TOO EXPENSIVE. THERE SERVICE CHARGE IS MORE THAN THE WATER. WE AREN'T ALONE FEELING THIS WAY EITHERE. CHARGES ARE RIDICULOUS.

I DON'T KNOW ENOUGH ABOUT ALL THIS-ONLY FEEL OUR WATER COSTS ENOUGH! I CAN'T AFFORD ANYMORE I BUY ALL DRINKING WATER

I don't know what's best for the city.

I DON'T KNOW WHY PVC CAN'T TREAT THE WATER ONCE I HAVE IT DIRECTLY SENT TO US WITHOUT HOLDING TANKS.

I don't live that close to area. However, I am aware that residents there are opposed to tanks.

I don't think my opinion really counts. You're going to do what you have to do anyway. All BS.

I DON'T THINK PEOPLE SHOULD BE ABLE TO GO NEAR OUR DRINKING WATER THE WAY THE WORD IS TODAY, ITS A BAD IDEA.

I DON'T THINK PLANTING TREES AROUND THE RESERVOIR WOULD BE A GOOD IDEA. THE LEAVES WOULD BE BLOWN INTO THE WATER AND BUGS ALSO CLING TO THE LEAVES OF THE TREES.

I don't think the survey or the process truly allowed for open input. That is to say that the very first mailing--and the survey itself--is heavily skewed towards the tank option. It misrepresents reality in that the diagram makes it seem as if all water entering every customer's home comes from Levine where it is fouled by wildlife after being treated. That is not accurate. This survey and process only exists because the PVWC had to be taken dragging and kicking, aghast at the notion that the public it serves ought to have input into its largest ever public works project. The PVWC has a culture of shutting out the public and the only good thing that may come of this matter is that the public is now much more attuned to the PVWC's doings and there will be ongoing public monitoring of its activities, including its regular, yearly budgetary increases that far outweigh inflation. The public is now watching. This matter is going to wake up state legislators in a way that they are likely to feel ongoing heat from constituents due to this project, how it is handled, and ongoing costs associated with it. Already legislation has been introduced or is being fashioned to abolish PVWC as it currently exists or to merge its operations in with other water utilities. The Governor's office is being asked to extend oversight by its Authorities Unit. The very best advice that the PVWC could take at present is to abandon Levine. It can get the water it needs to the area through alternative means. Maybe they aren't fully desirable, but they are very doable from an engineering standpoint. The Section 106 process in itself will be nightmarish given some of the consultants being engaged to protect the reservoir as a contributing asset to the historic district (something else the survey fails to mention). Again, the best thing that current leadership at PVWC can do is abandon Levine and decommission it. It will not be worth the cost--literally and otherwise--that it will cause.

i don't think there is any harm in storing water in our open reservoir. There are old pipes that are really mark in Passaic, Patterson, Clifton.

I DON'T UNDERSTAND HOW THERE IS ANY QUESTION IF TRERE IS A QUESTION OF HEALTH SAFTEY. PLEASE TAKE CARE OF THIS ASAP! AND THE CITY SHOULD BE PAYING FOR THIS TOO.



I don't understand the necessity. Paterson born and I drank the water all my long life w/o any illness or anything resulting from the water.

I don't want anyone to be put at risk, particularly those with compromised immune systems - water quality is important for all of us and I think protective tanks makes the most sense. We will have to accept higher costs unfortunately.

I DO NOT FEEL COMFORTABLE WITH Q12

I DO NOT THINK AS THIS AREA AS HISTORIC THEY MUST BE MANY CHANGES IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD FOR ME TO VISIT THER AND CONSIDER IT SAFE FOR VISITORS

I FEEL OUR WATER NEEDS TO BE SAFE BUT I,M WORRIED ABOUT THE COST AS I,M ON A FIXED INCOME

I feel that the survey was phrased in ways to possibly give you the answers you were looking for.

I feel that this project can be done by complying with health concerns AND being cost effective. More money should not be invested into the appearance of the tanks. They have to be put in and that's it. These water tanks are huge and will be seen no matter how many trees you plant or if you put a mural around it. The trees won't hide it and the mural on the tank does not make it disappear. So why spend an extra \$450,000 when the size of it won't change and it will still be seen. Therefore, I don't feel it's worth the money to make it esthetically appealing. It's a reservoir! More concerns should be made about the water that will go in it, not the outside of the tank. I still feel uncomfortable drinking water that has been sitting in a metal tank. Will any lead be getting into the water? I would feel very comfortable with having water come out from my faucet that was JUST treated. I feel that the steps in treating the water are in the wrong order. From the Passaic River, the water should then go to the reservoir and THEN the treatment plant and then to our faucets. So I know it hasn't been sitting somewhere. Anything, especially water that sits for a long period of time can become contaminated. Having the tanks is definitely better then the system that is in place now. I can't believe that the water commission thought it was ok for us to drink from an open reservoir. However, even with the tanks, I still strongly feel that the last step before reaching our faucets should BE THE TREATMENT PLANT. Why can't the tanks even be avoided and the process go: Passaic River, reservoir, treatment plant to our faucets? Please continue to keep residents up to date with the results and what will happen next. Thank you.

I feel that water safety is a lot more important than worrying about looks. I don't believe that the average resident of Paterson is that concerned about the scenic view of the water reservoir. Just planing water tanks is sufficient enough. Drinking and cooking with water that plants and animals utilize is disgusting!!!!

I feel the Reservoir should be left as is. There is a much greater problem with the pipes that deliver the water to residences and commercial properties. The infrastructure is ancient, breaks/ruptures, and the pipes deliver lead to our faucets. The EPA has focused on the wrong issues. Ignore LT2 and leave the Reservoir as is.

I FEEL YOU HAVE TO PUT IN TANKS . TREES DO NOT COST AS MUCH AS YOU PREPARE OR YOU ARE REALLY CHARGING WAY TO MUCH. I DON'T FEEL YOU NEED TO CHARGE ANYONE EXTRA MONEY

I filter my water as I do not trust the purity of water from my tap.

I FIND IT HARD TO BELIEVE THAT WATER IS TREATED AND STORED IN THE RESERVOIR. THE STRONG CHLORINE SMELL WHEN I OPEN MY FAUCET (AT TIMES) MAKES ME THINK IT IS TREATED AFTER STORAGE, BECAUSE THE CHLORINE WOULD EVAPORATE FROM THE RESERVOIR. THE REST OF THE SURVEY SEEMS SLANTED AND THE DECISIONS THAT MATTER HAVE ALREADY BEEN MADE.

I find it terrible to think that water is not treated after it is stored outdoors like that. The water should definitely be re-treated after storage under those conditions. If tanks are deemed to be the only other solution, put them at the alternative location.

i fish in the pepecton res. in new york state...it is not covered...are they following the law?

i get changes over \$300 per month just for access to water for a sprinkler system. It goes up 5-10 years ever though there is almost 0 growth. I understand some top employees make 6 figure salaries from my high rates. they can pay for the plantings.

I HAD NO IDEA WATER WS TEAKEN FROM THE PASSAIC TOXIC DISGUSTING RIVER

I have all the sympathy the PVWC I believe will make the right decisions & the public will be satisfied.

I HAVE BEEN A RESIDENT MY ENTIRE LIFE, THAT IS FROM 1936. I DO NOT FULLY UNDERSTAND ALL THE NEEDS TO BE DONE, HOWEVER, I DO THINK THE MAIN ISSUES SHOULD BE THE QUALITY OF THE DRINKING WATER AND THE PRESERVATION OF ALL THAT PATERSON REPRESENTED IN THE PAST. WHAT A WONDER PLACE IT WS GROWN UP HERE. BUT HOW SAD THAT HAS ALL CHANGED.

I HAVE BEEN DRINKING THIS WATER FOR THE LAST 55 YEARS NO PROBLEMS. MY NEIGHBORS HAVE BEEN DRINKING THE SAME WATER WEREALL CLOSE TO 90YEARS. I DON'T THINK THE WATER HARMS US.

I HAVE FILTERS AS THE CITY WATER ENTERS MY HOUSE. I PAY IT MONTHLY SO WHAT EVER IS DISSIDED I,LL PAY IT WITH THE REST OF THEM

I have installed main line water filter for \$750 including labor. it filters the water as it enters my house. Consumers should be given an option to install these types of filters and receive a rebate. The annual filter replacement is \$125 and quality of water superb. A study will need to be conducted if this will be a cost effective alternative.

I HAVE LIVED HERE ALONE FOR 14 YEARS. WIDOW FOR THE LAST 31/2 YEARS. I GO TO THE LAUNDRY MAT. I ONLY BATHE NIGHTLY NO WATERING AT ALL OUTSIDE AND I CONSIDER MY BILL HIGH. I ALSO BUY BOTTLE WATER. I WOULD NOT LIKE TO SEE A HIGHER BILL AS I'M ALONE. THANK YOU.

I HAVE LIVED IN CLIFTON FOR 49 YEARS AND MY WATER BILL HAS TRIPLED. STOP WASTING MONEY JUST GIVE US CLEAN SAFE WATER.

I HAVE NEVER BEEN TO THE AREA ALTHOUGH I AM A LIFELONG PATERSON RESIDENT AND I THINK WE SHOULD DO THE BEST WE CAN FOR PATERSON SINCE IT IS AN HISTORICAL LANDMARK. OVER THE YEARS WE HAV ETAKEN A BIG HIT AS TO PATERSONS VIABILITY TO NJ HISTORY. I ALWAYS TRY TO TALK UP PATERSON ALTHOUGH MANY PEOPLE ARE NEGATIVE ABOUT THE CITY AND WITH SOME VALIDITY TO THIS.

I have no additional ideas, but I never knew that water stored in an open pond is what I am drinking. I always thought that it was treated and then released into the system for distribution. You need to fix the ASAP and the cheapest way possible at this time!!! And you are so cheap I have to pay the postage!!!

I HAVE NO ALTERNATIVE IDEAS

I have no alternatives to offer. I believe the storage tank option is the best when all factors, such as cost and time to complete, are considered. I do believe, however, that the best attempt should be made to hide the tank as effectively as practicable with trees, bushes, vines, etc., so as to decrease it's visual effect on the area.

I HAVE NO IDEAS BUT I'M SURE THAT THE BUDGET WILL BE SHORT OF MONEY. WE WILL PAY MORE FOR FLUSH THE TOILET OR CLEAN AROUND THE HOUSE

I have no knowledge as how the tank works. We need more education. All I request for is clear water that is safe for the customers. Good luck with EPA. No additional cost to customers. Thank you.

I HAVE NO OTHER ALTERNATIVES THAT I HAVE OR YOU HAVE CONSIDERED AT THIS TIME. THANK YOU

I HAVE NO OTHER ALTERNATIVES. YOUR'S ARE FINE, AFTER THIS YOU COULD HAVE PUT A STAMP ON THE ENVELOPE, BUT I GUESS MY WATER BILL WOULD HAVE GONE UP. HAHA

I HAVE NO PROB WITH BUILDING TANKS AS PROPOSED BUT FOR THOSE WH DO, WHY IS THERE SUCH A HUGE EXPENSE INVOLVED IN MURALS AND PLANTINGS? WHY NOT HAVE LOCAL STUDENTS VOLUNTEER THEIR TIME AND TALENT TO PAINTING MURALS WITH SUPPLIES DONATED FROM LOCAL STORES SUCH AS HOME DEPOT, LOWES, ETC. COULDN'T SEEDLINGS BE DONATED FROM LOCAL NURSERIES & PLANTED/TENDED B VOLUNTEERS

I have nothing to add. This was a vey clear and visually appealing survey. Thank you.

I HAVE RUNNING WATER FROM MY HOME TO OUTSIDE ON THE SIDE WALK SINCE GTHE PROJECT STARED I HAVE CALLED BUT NOBODY CARES. I HAVE TO PAY FOR THE WATER. I CALLED MANY TIMES AND NOBODY CAME

I hope that our elected congressmen congresswomen and senators are actively working to get the funding for this project. PVWC customers should not have to pay anything for this work.

I HOPE YOU COMPLY WITH THE REQUIREMENT OF THE EPA LT2 RULE SO THAT NO ONE GETS SICK ND DIE ITS BETTER TO BE SAFE THAN SORRY.

I JUST DON'T KNOW!! DO MORE STUDIES AND MAKE A RIGHT DECISION. THANK YOU

I JUST WANT CLEAN FRESH WATER WITH OUT THE FRILLS

I just want the safest water for my family.

I JUST WORRY ABOUT THE COSTS OF ANY IMPROVMENTS. THESE ISSUES ARE VERY OBSCURE GTO ME, PLEASE FORGIVE MY LACK OF KNOWLEDGE. I HAVE A HEART CONDITION AND CANNOT DEAL WITH CERTAIN THINGS RIGHT NOW.

I know that PVWC has to comply with the EPA LT2 Rule but in this area we have been drinking from an open reservoir for the last 50 years. Please, ask the state and federal government for money to fund this project as per EPA requirements. I am a retired senior with a pension and paying \$11,000 a year for real estate taxes, \$3,000 for utilities and every year my taxes go up, no matter what. I agree that our drinking water should be stored in a closed reservoir but strongly disagree that the poor consumer should pay for this project.

I know very little about this situation and, therefore, not qualified to answer here. I've had no problems with the water.

I like Alternatives Design 'A' --- No additional cost please.

I like the idea of a mural on the tank. Why not use graffiti artists to paint a landscape type picture on the tank. You could make it a contest; the best design wins say \$1,000 or even \$5,000. The design would have to stick to a landscape scene that fits the surrounding area, but could be a little out of the box. That would kill two birds with one stone....make the tank look more environmental looking, and cut the cost of doing so.

I like the idea of water being stored in a closed environment because as of now I only use the water to bath. Can drink can't cook with it and only can use on garden sometimes. Have to buy drinking water always is becoming costly on top of I see me water bill went up. Not happy about whole going on.

I LIKE TO SPEND TIME AT THE LEVINE RESERVOIR, BUT THE MOST IMNPORTANT THING IS TO GET = GOOD SAFE DRINKING WATER. AND TO DO AT THE MOST COST EFFECTIVE WAY IF I HAVE TO SEE A STORAGE TANK IT'S OK WITH ME.

I like your plans. Good job!

I LIVE IN PATERSON AND I HAVE SEEN PEOPLE GO DOWN TO THE RIVER TO DO THERE BIZNESS SUCH AS PEEING AND POOING IN THE WATER I WOULD LIKE IT IF THEY PUT UP A WALL OR SOMETHING TO STOP IT.

I MOSTLY DRINK WATER FROM A BRITA BUT THER ARE ALOT OF CHEMICALS IN THE WATER TO DISCOLOR MY FILTER.

I NEED TO ASK THIS QUESTION WHAT YOU PEOPLE DOING ABOUT THE PASSSAIC RIVER DON'T YOU GUYS SEND ANYBODY OUT TO CHECK THE CONDITION OF THE RIVER. ITS REALLY BAD AND SOMETHING SHOULD BE DONE NOW!

I NEVER DRANK TAP WATER AS IT TASTES LIKE CHLORINE. I DON'T PLAN ON DRINKING TAP WATER. I DON'T KNOW ANYONE WHO DOES AND WOULD RATHER NOT PAY MORE THAN I DO OR HAVE TO FOR SOMETHING I DON'T USE ANYWAY.

I NEVER DRINK WATER FROM THE FACET . I DRINK BOTTLED THAT IS ON SALE .I ONLY USE FAUCRT WATER FOR CLOTHES DISHWASHER AND BATHING. I WOULD AGREE ON THE TANK IF IT MEANS SAFER CLEANER WATER BUT I STILL WOULD NOT DRINK IT.

I NEVER KNEW OUR DRINKING WAS STORED IN AN OPEN RESERVOIR AFTER BEING TREATED THIS IS SO UNSANITARY. HOW DID YOU GET AWAY WITH THIS AND TO THINK MY CHILDREN HAVE BEEN DRINKING THIS WATER AND SWIMMING IN IT.

I only care about keeping costs down. Stephen Brickman, Clifton

I order from a water service and would not like to pay an additional rate to PVWC. We have drinking water delivered.

I pay \$1,200 as a consumer and whatever it takes to do whatever needs to be done without any additional cost to me!

I personally am not able to think of an alternative. I do not have the expertise and I am truly hoping that there is someone in the area who does. It goes without saying that safe water is vital to any community. However, there is also the spiritual/emotional well-being factor involved. Creating a project that serves the health but impacts on the beauty of the area needs to be considered. Paterson and the surrounding towns and cities desire (and need) to have the natural beauty of this region enhanced and maintained.

I PERSONALLY BELIEVE THIS IS ALL BS.JUST ANOTHER WAY TO AWARD POLITICAL CONTRIBUTORS NICE KICK BACK.CONTRACTS.AS HUMANS WE HAVE BEEN DRINKING OUT OF OPEN WATER SINCE THE BEGINNING OF TIME. WHY TANK PATERSON FIRST.DO WOODLAND PARK WE WILL WAIT UNTILL 2016.

I PREFER CLEAN DRINKING WAER THE RESERVOIR SHOULD BE COVERED TO AVOID IT FROM BEING CONTAMINATED. I LIKE MY RATES TO STAY THE WAY THEY ARE.

I READ THE HERELD NEW EVER DAY I HAVE HEARD ABOUT THE TANKS THE WATER IS FINE AS IT IS USE MORE FILTER TO TEST AND CLEAN WATER.

I realize that project costs always fall back on the consumer but is any of this cost being paid for by PVWC contributions? What about Government funding? EPA? Also, Letter A - Storage Tank - It really doesn't look bad! Different than I expected to see which is a good thing!

I REALY DON'T KNOW TO MUCH ABOUT IT . I RECOMMEND THAT THE TREATMENT SHOULD BE BETWEEN THE RESERVOIR AND OUT WATER SUPPLY LINES.

I suggest you must educate the users of of using unclean water of the wrong storage way. Although most of them think that the water store in healthy tanks so it should be safe and clean.

I SUPPORT THAT IDEA OF BUILD TANKS; IT WILL BE MORE SAFE FOR EVERYBODY.

I think everyone should agree with the tanks to store our drinking water.

I think it is ridiculous. Why the water gets treated and then stored with then coming to our homes with not being treated again seems obvious that the water may get contaminated. It seems water should be stored then treated and then sent out to our homes. in one of the survey questions listed below it doesn't say the cost would be a one time resident cost or this would be an annual requirement for all residence every given year: Re-treatment at the reservoir û Cost of \$14.0 million, which equates to about \$97 per customer plus an additional \$13 per year in ongoing costs. Advantages: Smaller buildings than storage tanks, meets LT2 Rule, lower up-front costs. Disadvantages: Initial costs are lower, but ongoing cost are more expensive. Retreats already treated water, new buildings at reservoir would disrupt historic setting, more expensive as it requires additional maintenance and operating personnel. Storage tanks at reservoir û Cost of \$18.7 million which equates to about \$129 per customer Advantages: Meets requirements of LT2 Rule, cost effective, safe, secure and reliable. Disadvantages: Located within the Paterson Historic District. All i can say is i am so sick of living in NJ and we as a residence have to make up/pay for the cost of things that were either done incorrectly or the negligence of others. I pay so much taxes for a small tiny house that i can barely afford to live here anymore. We now pay sewer cost which we never had to pay before, this had been included in everything else.... but now a separate made up thing that now residence have to paid to offset everything else. Its just not right.

I THINK LEAVE WELL ENOUGH ALONE I CAN'T AFFORD A RAISE IN MY BILL.

I think many residents that are supplied by the Levine Reservoir already have household water filtration systems. Does this reduce / eliminate the potential risks that LT2 is trying to mitigate? It might be easier to work with government to encourage households to install filtration systems where they are not already in use. And government should make a law/requirement for housing developments / apartments / condos to have them installed for all residents. This could save the cost of building an additional facility to house the treated water. It would also pass the cost to the residents if they choose to install the filtration systems. Otherwise, the risk is theirs to bear (for standalone home, not residential complexes where filtration would be mandatory).

I think personally we all need clean drinking water all towns should allocate land that use Passaic water and it could be pumped into all the towns tanks after its treated and pumped as needed we never know when we will encounter a very bad drought



I think PVWC should seek financial assistance from government to lessen the costs to customers.

I THINK QUEST 6 SECOND COMMENT HAS WORKED AND SHOULD CONTINUE TO PROVIDE GOOD DRINKING WATER.

I THINK TANK IS OK. COULDN'T A GRANT OR MAY BE GARDEN CLUB GROUPS OR VOLUNTEERS PROVIDE SUITABLE PLANTINGS TO GROW TO COVER TANK EVENTUALLY?

I THINK TANKS ARE THE BEST CHOICE.

I THINK THE COMMISSIONERS ARE VERY WELL INFORMED AND WILL MAKE THE BEST DECISION ON WHAT HAS TO BE DONE FOR THE LOWEST COST POSSIBLE.

I think the cost to the people will cause people to lose their house.

I think the option of tank with plantings is too high - you can buy evergreen trees at Home Depot. Saying the cost for trees is \$250,000 just shows how extensive mismanagement of funds and little common sense. I shudder to think how over-priced the rest of the job is.

I think the tank as proposed is a good idea.

I think the whole concept is a paranoid and extreme view, which doesn't take into consideration the ecosystem in the area. With no evidence of the water ever being contaminated. If the concern is contamination after treatment, have a smaller facility built to filter water before it goes to the public. Simple solutions that don't disrupt the ecosystem in place and maintain the same system for future generations.

I THINK THERE SHOULD BE MORE TESTINGS OF THE WATER WE DRINK. WE SPEND 1,000'S OF \$ IN FILTERS TO HAVE SAFER WATER. THE WATER WE DRINK IS ABSOLUTELY AWFUL AND IS SO FULL OF CHLORINE IT SMELLS BADLY EVEN WHEN YOU WASH DISHES. WE ARE VERY UNHAPPY WITH THE TREATMENT BEING USED.

I think this whole thing is ridiculous. I believe the reservoir has been open for years. All of a sudden the EPA is worried about ducks and geese pooping in the water? I can't imagine this just started to occur within the last two or three years. What is wrong with these people? Treat the water as it comes out of the reservoir and be done with it. Don't jump through hoops to appease the EPA or make us crazy thinking we are all going to get sick from this open reservoir. Just do the lowest cost option and move along.

I THINK TREATED WATER TANKS SHOULD BE WHERE THE WATER IS TREATED AND RESERVOIRS FOR STORAGE PRE TREATED ONLY

I think we should select option 3, but we should try to get help from the Federal government in funding this

I think you can do something better or other things

I THINK YOU CAN MAKE IT BETTER BY MONITORING IT AND KEEPING IT CLEAN

I THINK YOU COVERED AND PRESENTED EVERY VISIBLE SOLUTION.

I THINK YOU COVERED IT ALL.

I THINK YOU NEGLECTED OUR WATER QUILTY AND COLLECTED OUR MONEY FOR TO LONG.TO BE ASKING IF THIS IS A GOOD IDEA OR NOT.OF COURSE IT IS EVERY OTHER WATER COMMISSION HAS REPLACED THESE RESERVOIRS ACCORDING TO THE STATISTICS YOU MAILED.

I THINK YOU SHOULD COMPLY WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE EPA. BUT MAKE SURE IT FITS THE FINANCIAL BUDGET FOR THE CITY AND US HOMEOWNERS.

I THINK YOU SHOULD CONFIDE WITH THE OTHER WATER COMPANYS START N.Y.C. AND SO ON.

I THINK YOU THOUGHT THIS ISSUE THOUGH VERY THOROUGHLY . I HAVE NO OTHER IDEAS ,BUT THANK YOU FOR SEEKING CUSTOMERS INPUT.

I THINK YOU'VE PRETTY MUCH COVERED ALL THE BASES.

I TRUST THAT PVWC ENGINEERS AND STAFF WILL DO WHAT IS RIGHT FOR THE PUBLIC.

I TRUST YOUR PROPOSAL AT NO ADDITIONAL COST WITH HOPES THAT YOU HAVE CAREFULLY CONSIDERED EVERYBODY'S NEEDS AND THE VERY BEST YOU DO .

I UNDERSTAND THE EPA IS LOOKING FOR THE WELL BEING OF THE OF THE PEOPLE-BUT THEY ALSO HAVE BEE KNOWN TO TAKE UNREASONABLE MEASURES AND DON'T CARE ABOUT THE EXTRA EXPENSE INCURRED BY PVWC OR THE PEOPLE. WHATEVER LEAST EXPENSIVE WAY CAN BE DONE. I WOULD GO WITH IT. PEOPLE CAN'T HANDLE EXTRA TAXES AND EXTRA WATER PRICE IN THIS ECONOMIC LOW TIME.

I understand the EPA rule and why. The cost is understandable but I do not want the lake to be open to the public. I want it to be a wildlife reserve.

I UNDERSTAND THE NEED FOR THE TANKS BUT I DON'T THINK THE RESERVOIRS SHOULD BE REMOVED. THEY SHOULD COEXIST; SAFER WATER IN TANKS AND BEAUTIFUL NATURAL SCENERY WHERE LITTLE EXISTS.

I USE BOTTLED TO DRINK FAUCET WATER COOKING BATHING.

I WANT CLEAN AND SAFE DRINKING WATER. I DON'T CARE HOW IT LOOKS (THE TANKS AND BUILDINGS.)

I WANT SAFE CLEAN WATER HOWEVER AS MOST PEOPLE I WANT AS LOW AN INCREASE IN WATER COST AS POSSIBLE.I SEE NOTHING WRONG WITH TANKS IF THEY ARE SHIELDED FROM SIGHT

I WANT THEY TREATED WATER IN TANKS. DON'T REALLY CARE ABOUT TREES, PLANTINGS, ETC.

I want to have the best drinking water in the country!! At no additional costs! What are you doing with the extra money I pay you on every billing cycle? I do not receive a pension and either should you!

I WANT TO KNOW IF AND HOW THE WATER WILL BE IMPROVED.AS IT B IT TASTES TERRIBLE.HOW WILL THE WATER QUALITY TASTE AND IMPROVE

I WANT TO KNOW ISN,T THERE ANY AVAILABLE FUNDING FROM STATE OF NJ OR FED GOV.IN A PROJECT AS LARGE AS THIS FOR ALL THE YEARS YOU HAVE BEEN SELLING WATER WHERE ARE ALL THE PROFITS FROM THE PAST .THE FOCUS NOW SHOULD BE SAFE CLEAN WATER

I was surprise to know that I was drinking water from such an open reservoir. Health and safety matters above historical and aesthetic aspect of the site. PVWC must comply EPA LT2 rule asap.

I was surprised to hear you store the treated water in open reservoir. Do you drink water from the reservoir? Bergen county has a very high water rate, higher than some other counties, with less quality. Shame, shame, shame.

I WILL GO WITH THE PROPOSED TANK I BELEIVE IT IS THE BEST IDEA.

I WILL LIKE CLEAN WATER FOR MY FAMILY AND COMMUNITY WITHOUT INCREASE OF TAXES.

I wish to have drinking water.

I WORRY ABOUT PATERSON AND ITS CRIME . I HAVE BEEN TO SEE THE FALLS SEVERAL TIMES WITHIN THE PAST YEAR AND TOOK OUT OF STATE GRANDSON TO SEE THE FALLS AND SURROUNDING AREA BUT I WAS UNCOMFORTABLE AND DID NOT FEEL SAFE

I would be nice if a portion of the reservoir could be kept available for the wildlife that has come to depend upon it.

I WOULD HAVE ALWAYS THOUGHT THE TREATMENT OF THE WATER WOULD HAVE BEEN LAST STEP PRIOR TO IT ENTERING MY FAUCETS! THE RESERVE IS ABSURD.

I WOULD HOPE THAT THE LAND OF THE RESERVOIR BE MAINTAINED. IT IS A BEAUTIFUL SIGHT. I WOULD VEHEMETLY OPPOSED TO ANY DEVELOPMENT ON THAT PROPERTY. PERHAPS AN ENVIRONMENTAL CENTER FOR EDUCATIONAL PURPOSED.

I would like the base charges to be reduced because my spouse and I are on Social Security and can't afford to pay this high amount every month. My consumption only amounts to between \$20 and \$30 except in summer months when I water the lawn, which is only about \$20 more. I think the base charge is ridiculous and way out of hand.

I WOULD LIKE THE SAFEST AND LEAST EXPENSIVE. I PAY HIGH PROPERTY TAX AS IT IS. WHY CAN'T YOU TAKE \$ FROM SCHOOL TAXES FOR SENIOR CITIZENS (REDUCE SCHOOL TAXES AND PAY THAT TOWARDS RESERVOIR) WITHOUT SENIOR CITIZENS INCURRING ADDITIONAL COST.

I WOULD LIKE THE TANKS BUT NO EXTRA COST RESIDENTS ARE LOOSING HOUSES WITH OVER DUE MORTGAGES PEOPLE IN PATERSON DO NOT WANT TO PAY FOR WATER NOR CAN AFFORD IT TANKS AS PROPOSED NO EXTRA COST.

I would like the water that I get to use to be clear and clean and contaminate-free as possible no matter what the costs. I was shocked to find out that it is stored out in the open after treatment. What took the EPA so long I wonder. I can't stress enough the importance of getting this resolved now not later because of the health risks, worry, and inconvenience it presents.

I would like to know besides the 50 deaths a comparison to how many other facilities in the US had not had this problem - a ration of people affected compared to non affected. To site a problem by the EPA (who studies are very questionable) makes me wonder about compliance to this Federal Agency...

I WOULD LIKE TO SEE MORE INPUT AND FOR YOU TO CONCENTRATE ON PEOPLE WHO LIVE IN THAT AREA WHEN IT COMES TO PRESERVING HISTORIC FEATURES AND SENIC VIEWS AND JUST CONCENTRATE ON OTHER CUSTM=OMERS WITH BEST WATER QUILITY .

I WOULD LOOK INTO CUTTING EXPENSES, STAFF POLITICAL JOBS.ESPECIALLY EXCESSIVE PENSIONS .

I WOULD NEVER DRINK TAP WATER. MY PETS DON'T EVEN GET TAP WATER. IT SMELLS LIKE CHEMICALS. I DON'T EVEN BOIL PASTA OR MAKE SOUP WITH TAP WATER. BUT I ALSO DON'T LIKE THE FACT THAT IT IS OPEN. IN THE PASSAIC AREA ARE A LOT OF DRUG USERS. WHAT IF THEY WERE TO THROW SYRINGES OR DRUGS IN THE WATER? VERY CONCERNED!

I would really like to leave it all alone//so far so good//If it comes to push and shove//the cheapest way to fix it/the resivoir cant be seen until you really go looking for it/no commercial use of the area/off limits to all

I would support hiking trails, recreational use of the lake and/or plantings as long as the cost is not significant.

I WOULD SUPPORT RETREATMENT OF WATER BUT STRONGLY OPPOSE STORAGE TANKS.

I,D LIKE TO SEE BETTER SECURITY OF THIS RESOURE FROM POTENTIAL THREATS. SINCE IT'S CURRENTLY EXPOSED PEOPLE THAT MAY WANT TO DO US HARM HAVE A EASY TARGET.

I'D LIKE THE WATER FLOURIDATED IT IS DREADFUL THAT CHILDREN IN NJ DO NOT HAVE THE DOCUMENTED HEALTH BENEFITS OF FLOURIDATED WATER.

I'd like to know if this LT2 rule applies to all 50 states! Because some reservoirs out West are Huge and are they building Concrete tanks? I honestly believe that this L2 rule is a product of some Lobbying in DC. by our corrupt elected officials! The Feds. need to mind their on beeswax! Bottom line waste of taxpayers money!

I'll leave it to the experts.

I'M 79 YEARS OLD AND HAVE LIVED IN CLIFTON FOR 50 YEARS. I DON'T THINK THE WATER IS GOING TO KILL ME.

I'M 84 YEARS OLD AND I HAVE LIVED IN ESSEX COUNTY AND PASSAIC ALL MY LIFE. BAD WTER NEVER ENTERED MY MIND. BEER AND BREAD COMPANIES WERE PLENTIFUL I NEWARK, GOOD WATER. MY MAIN CONCERN ARE PEOPLE THAT LOOK TO HURT US THROUGH OUR DRINKING WATER (TERRORISTS) SO LETS HAVE THE TANKS.

I'M 86 YEARS OLD, I LIVED IN PATERSON ALL MY LIFE. THERE IS NO NEED FOR A CHANGE. SINCE THE BEGINNING OF LIFE ON EARTH PLANT AND HUNAN LIFE STRIVED. THE EPA AND THE PRESENT ADMINISTRATION ARE BOTH RADICAL. THEY ARE BOTH FOR CLIMATE CONTROL. THIS IS A POLITICAL PAYOFF.

I'M 89 YEARS OLD AND KNOW WHATEVER IS BETTER FOR EVERYONES HEALTH

I'M A 90 YEAR OLD SENIOR CITIZEN. I HAVE NOT HEARD OF ANYONE GETTING SICK FROM CITY WATER. I DO NOT WANT TO PAY MORE FOR WATER. I DO NOT WANT TO PAY MORE FOR WATER USE BECAUSE IM ON A STRICT BUDGET. LEAVE IT THE WAY IT IS. THANK YOU DOROTHY BAURYS

I'm all for building storage tanks to comply with EPA ruling. Would storing water in storage tanks result to better quality/ drinkable water? Since my family moved to Passaic county 25 years ago we've never trusted your water quality. We're spending \$30 /mo minimum on bottled or RO process for drinking/cooking water. As far as the esthetics of storage tanks goes to people living around Paterson Historic District, view of storage tanks should be the least of their concern. How much tourism money does Paterson receive bec. of the falls? We've been there once and it's not worth going back to unless Paterson improves the city peace and order situation, sanitation and security around area surrounding Historic District. It's not even advertised. Maybe this move will put Paterson in the limelight and hopefully elected city officials will prioritize their city's economic development. Good Luck.

I'm fine with what I have chosen in this survey. Thank you.

I'm from Wallington, NJ and just was told about the 4.5% increase in water for 2016/2017. I like to voice my concern about this hike in water. I think it's a bit high and people are having problems with all these price increases that it's just another one for us to struggle with. I don't mind a little increase but 4.5% is much too high.

I'm glad to hear that measures are being taken in order to secure the health and safety of the public. With that being said, it is also important to keep additional costs for the consumers at a minimum. As long as the EPA requirements are met by installing the tanks, I don't see the need to increase the cost of this project with murals, etc.

I'm just still scratching my head at how anyone could've EVER thought that storing water in an open/exposed place AFTER treatment was a good idea. Seriously?? Why don't we all just bring gallon jugs to the reservoir and fill them up from there? Because that's pretty much what we're doing right now when we take water from the tap. Awesome job, PVWC. You really shouldn't be charging us a dime for this project, by the way.

I'M MORE CONCERNED ABOUT PROTECTING THE PUBLIC WATER SUPPLY FROM FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC TERRORISTS, WHO CAN DO FAR MORE DAMAGE THAN A DUCK AND ITS FECES. AT FIRST GLANCE, CONCRETE TANKS SEEM AS THOUGH THEY MAY MITIGATE THIS RISK. BUT CONTAMINATION OF WATER IN THE TANKS IS ALWAYS POSSIBLE-AS IS DESTROYING TANKS, OR USING THEM AS INCUBATORS. TREATMENT AT THE RESERVOIR PROVIDES REDUNDANCY AND BETTER SECURITY/QUALITY/MONITORING CAPABILITY FOR THE H2O.

I'm shocked that our drinking water has been exposed to natural waste and bacteria. 19th century method used in this day and age is inexcusable, considering the risk of bioterrorism as well. Do something immediately to protect our drinking water! !!!!

I'M SOMEWHAT AT DISABLED. IT IS VERY UNUSUAL TO ASK THE CITIZENS AND CUSTOMERS WHAT DOES THE BOARD WANT TO DO. WHY CAN'T A DECISION BE MADE, DON'T THE EXPERTS KNOW? ANYWAY THE RATES WILL GO UP REGARDLESS,RIGHT?

IF ANY SUGGESTIONS REQUIRES ADDITIONAL COST THEN I DONT SUPPORT ANY.

If I had to choose between saving the looks of the Great Falls and having safe drinking water in the homes, I personally would choose the planting of trees around the reservoir.

If it ain't broke don't fix it!

IF IT'S NOT BROKEN, DON'T FIX IT.

IF ITS NOT SAFE TO DRINK THAN HOW CAN A PORTION BE OPEN AS A LAKE FOR PUBLIC .THIS IS REDUNDENT. THE COST OF SERVICES IS WAY TO HIGH NOW AND IF YOU AND THE EPA GO AHEAD WITH THIS PROJECT WE THE HOME OWNERS WILL SUFFER. MAKE IT COST EFFECTIVE



IF PEOPLE DON'T LIKE THE WAY THE TANKS LOOK TELL THEM TO MOVE. I WOULD RATHER HAVE SAFE WATER FOR ME AND MY FAMILY.

IF POSSIBLE TREAT THE WATER AFTER THE RESERVOIR BY PIPING OR MOVING THE TREATMENT PLANT

IF TANK IS OPEN WATER IS NO GOOD. WHY BECAUSE BIRDS WALK ON THE GROUND AND THEN THEY SWIM AND THERE S\*\*\* IN THE WATER. SO OPEN WATER IS NOT GOOD FOR THE PEOPLE. SAFE IS THE RIGHT WAY TO DO THE PROJECT.

IF THE DANGEROUS ORGANISMS CAN BE TREATED WITH UV LIGHT, CREATE A TREATMENT STATION USING SOLAR ENERGY TO ZAP THIS WATER STREAM. PROBABLY NOT FEASIBLE BUT WORTH MENTIONING.

If the EPA (Government) mandates these changes then they should pay or subsidize them.

If the EPA feels this is an issue, it should be taken care of as soon as possible. As a father of two young children, I am not comfortable leaving the situation as is - with possible contamination and health risks. Thank you

If the EPA is requiring this it is the best option. Safe & clean drinking water is key to keeping local residents safe & healthy. Although it is in a historic district but must be done regardless.

If the EPA wants this they should pay for it. We receive low return on our tax money this is one way to get some back. They still have the TVA. Why? Federal mandate. Federal pay.

If the purification of the reservoir water does not include ozonation & ultraviolet light to kill parasites & bacteria, it should. And the micro-filtration should be able to remove the array of medicines people take & pass into the water supply. Contaminated water endangers us all.

IF THE RESERVOIR WILL BE DRAINED THEN THE RECLAIMED LAND SHOULD BE SOLD OR LEASED TO RESIDENTIAL OR COMMERCIAL BUILDINGS TO OFFSET THE COST OF THE TAXES.

IF THE RESERVOIR'S WATER COULD STAY IN THE OPEN BUT SHIELD IT FROM ACTUAL CONTACT. I WOULD PREFER IT. MY MAIN CONCERN IS SAFETY FOR ME AND MY FAMILY USING A NEW TO RESTRICT ANIMALS FROM LEASING ON THE WATER LIKE THEY DO IN ZOOS.

IF THE TANKS WERE BUILT IN THE 1930'S, MORE THAN 180 YEARS AGO, AND PEOPLE HAVE BEEN DRINKING SUCH WATER FOR SO LONG AND HAVE NOT DIED, WHAT'S THE PURPOSE OF CHANGING IT NOW JUST TO PLEASE THE GOVERNMENT REGULATIONS? BESIDES, MORE PEOPLE PREFER DRINKING WATER FROM STORE BOTTLES AND ONLY USE TAP WATER TO COOK AND BATHE.

If the water has to be treated before it can be sent to residents. a treatment plant. However water should be tested for contamination to prove it's necessary. The destruction of some of the most beautiful areas of Passaic County is criminal. The other bodies of water in question happen to be in Woodland Park, in the Garret Mountain area. Don't you think it should have some opinions by our citizens, since it will have the most effect on our town. Please reconsider.

if the water only gets dirt from the birds and other animals that are floating on the water from the open reservoir why just come up to guarding the open reservoir from those animals. planting more trees around the tank will just encourage more birds.

IF THERE HAVE BEEN NO ISSUES, IT DOES NOT MAKE SENSE TO IMPLEMENT TANKS BASED ON WHAT MAY OCCUR. WHAT I HAVE SEEN ARE ANY STUDIES ON THE IMPACT TO THE ECOSYSTEM ANIMALS, PLANTS ETC.

IF THERE IS A NEED TO HIDE STORAGE TANKS CONSIDERS VOLUNTEERS TO DO PLANTING AND OR PAINTING. ALSO CONSIDER CORPORATE SPONSORS, THESE ARE WAYS TO DRIVE DOWN COSTS

IF THEY WANT THE WATER CONTAINED IN A STRUCTURE KEEP IT PLAIN POST NO STOPPING OR STANDING ALONG THE FENCE WAY AND YOU WON'T HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT SOME IDIOTS WORRIED HOW IT LOOKS. SOME PEOPLE ARE DUMB ENOUGH TO BUY LAND ON MARS.

IF TREES AND FLOWERS ARE PLANTED REMEMBER SOMEONE HAS TO MAINTAIN IT AT A COST. NO MURAL I COULD JUST PICTURE IT WITH GRAFFITI

If water is stored in an open reservoir then sent to my faucet, am I drinking rain water? Then rates should not be increased if water is stored after treatment and combined with rain water.

IF WE ARE GOING DYING BECAUSE THE QUALITY OF WATER WE BETTER MAKE AN INVESTMENT. SO FOR THOSE WHO DISAGREE WITH THE TANK MAKE THE KIDS WITH ARTISTIC TALENTS PARTICIPATE IN A CONTEST TO PAINT AN AREA OF THE TANK.

IF WE CAN'T EAT THE FISH THAT LIVE IN THE WATER WHY SHOULD WE DRINK THE WATER? ESPECIALLY ALL OF PATERSON TOILET WASTE GO INTO THE RIVER. AND DON'T TELL ME THAT'S NOT TRUE BECAUSE I'VE BEEN IN EACH WASTE TUNNEL WHEN I WAS A CHILD. AND THE TUNNEL ARE STILL THERE. I CAN POINT THEM OUT. (SHOW US THE WASTE)

If we haven't have any problems that I know of, why the changes. My only concern about having drinking water in the open would be terrorism.

If you are outsourcing the job, get competing bids. Ensure that there is a multi-year warranty involved that specifies that the tanks will perform as specified - and if not there will be fines levied against the builder / contractor until the deficiencies are remedied. Ensure that all cost overruns are to be the liability of the contractor. Set a timetable for work to be done and inspections along the way. Again if there are delays or deficiencies allow a reasonable time for correction of these but also with a limit where fines are levied after an unreasonable period of time. We live in difficult times where NJ families & residents are jobless and/or struggling to make ends meet (educated people don't believe the Unemployment rate that the Federal & State governments report because they understand that the participation rate has been falling simultaneously). We expect city and state governments to be prudent with costs and spending.

IF YOU ASK ME, THERE ARE TOO MANY RULES SET BY EPA STANDARDS. YEARS AGO WE NEVER HAD THESE PROBLEMS BEFORE! PASSAIC VALLEY WATER COMMISSION I COMMEND YOU. YOUR PEOPLE AND STAFF WORK HARD IN KEEPING OUR WATER SAFE AS IT IS. - LILI LUTERZO

IF YOU DECIDE TO PLANT TREE AND SHRUBS YOU MUST ALSO CONSIDER THE CARE TAKING OF THEM FOR THE FUTURE (LEAVES AND BRANCHES.)

IM CERTAIN THIS TANK PROJECT WILL HAPPEN WOULD BE NICE TO SEE THE FENCES DOWN AND A PLACE FOR PEOPLE TO WALK AROUND IF YOU NEED FENCE JUST PUT IT AROUND THE TANK

IM CONCERNED ABOUT THE QUALITY OF THE WATER FROM THE PASSIC RIVER . LETS MAKE SURE WE HAVE CLEAN DRINKING WATER .

IM FOR WHAT EVER THE ENGINEERS COME UP WITH THAT FINANCIALLY EFFECT PATERSONS RESIDENTS ANY MORE THAN THEY HAVE IN THE PAST .

IM FROM GA THEY HAVE WATER TANKS THERE. THAT YOU CAN SEE FOR MILES. NO MURAL JUST SILVER TANKS. NOT THAT JUNK ON THEM, THEY LOOK FINE.

IM NOT QUALIFIED ENOUGH IN THIS AREA TO MAKE ANY TYPE OF DECISION ON THE PROBLEM. IT SEEMS NO MATTER WHAIS PROPOSED ITS GOING TO RESULT IN HIGHER PAYMENTS FOR CUSTOMERS .IT SEEMS SOMETHING SHOULD HAVE BEEN DONE LONG AGO AND WEARE NOW GOING TO HAVE TO PAY FOR THIS MISTAKE. YOU CAN TELL WHEN THINGS ARE BAD WHEN THE CUSTOMER HAS TO USE OWN STAMP

IM40 YEARS PLUS THAT WE LIVED IN PASSIC COUNTY I CANNOT RECALL ANY PAST ISSUES WITH WATER . HOWEVER WE TAKE INTO CONSIDERATION THE OPINION OF THE EPA . CHANGING THE SYSTEM CAN BECOME VERY COSTLY BUT ON THE OTHER HAND CK=LEANER WATER IS THE MOST INPORTANT THING WE CAN DO .

Improvements should have been made before the EPA ruling. Who would knowing drink from a duck pond I ask you. There should not be any additional charges for the customers. It should be considered a cost of doing business. You profits may be cut down for a few but it is better than having lawsuits filed due to knowingly putting your customers and the public at risk for illnesses and possibly deaths. Please do the human thing and make the improvements necessary. You yourselves would not want to drink water from a glorified duck pond. Thank you.

In California when cell towers were being installed the towers were decorated to look like trees and if you did not stare at them they looked like trees. Unfortunately, the citizens who own properties around the reservoir are concerned about their property values. Is there a way their properties could be purchased and have condos or apts put in their place, could they receive a tax break or water reduction rate-what I am trying to say is maybe if you could create some incentive for these residents to comply with the law.

IN MY SMALL MIND I WOULD L=BETTER THE WATER BEFORE IT OGES TO THE HOMES AND NOT FILTER IT AN STORE IT. STORE-FILTER-HOMES.

In order to comply with the EPA to provide clean water to PVWC customers all proposed solutions are directed to how to store treated water before sending to customers. I have always believed the opposite to be true. Reservoir - treatment - customer? I can only assume the logistical problems, if any, of doing this way are overwhelming? Or not.

In other countries they use tanks to storage water and they are monthly cleaned to avoid any contamination. They also check water on daily base to make sure is drinkable.

In your drinking water of the River, Treatment , Reservoir, Faucet, They are in the wrong order, As if you did not know. SHOULD BE (RIVER) ( RESERVIOR) (TREATMENT) (FAUCET ) That's how it will work . How to do it is something else.

INCREASE IS UNACCEPTABLE WE ALREADY PAY THE HIGHER TAXES IN THE COUNTRY AS WELL AS A SEPERATE SEWER TAX WHICH IS OR WILL INCLUDE A WATER TAX IN THE FUTURE.

Industrial grade biodegradable filtration and pretreatment after treated water leaves Levine or Tank A Storage Opt.

INSTALL TANKS AT LEVINE AND LEAVE A BUFFER ZONE AROUND TANKS TO ALLOW NATURAL SHRUB TREES TO GROW

INSTEAD OF A MURAL ,PAINT THE TANK GREEN . INSTEAD OF TREES PLANT CLIMBING IVY.

INSTEAD OF AN EXPENSIVE MURAL PAINTED ON THE TANK WHY NOT MAKE THE ENTIRE TANK ONE SOLID COLOR GREEN TO BLEND IN WITH THE SURROUNDING GRASS LANDSCAPE.

INSTEAD OF PAINTING A MURAL WHY NOT JUST PAINT THE TANK GREEN THAT MATCHES THE COLOR OF THE TREES .JUST PLANT TREES AROUND THE EDGE OF THE PATH AND AROUND THE TANKS .THAT SHOULD SAVE SOME MONEY ON BOTH THE PLANTING AND ON THE TANKS.

Instead of producing tanks and raising water bills that can effect families and leave them homeless due to the ?? cost. We could instead use this open area as an attraction for tourists and bring more revenue to the city. With more attraction towards the city we can attract businesses as well, which can as well bring more job opportunities into the cities.

INSTEAD OF PURIFYING THE WATER BEFORE IT GOES INTO THE HOLDING RESERVOIR , HAVE THE HOLDING WATER TREATED ONE BEFORE IT GOES INTO THE SYSTEM.

Instead of tanks, make something useful.

Is it fenced in? If not that would keep miscreants from fooling w/ supply.

IS IT POSSIBLE TO HAVE MULTIPLE TANKS AT SITE OF THE RESERVIOR TO TAKE INTO CONSIDERATION OF EXPENSION OF THE POPULATION. I THINK THE TANKS WOULD OFFER BETTER PROTECTION FROM A TERRORIST ATTACK OF SOME NATURE.

IS IT POSSIBLE TO ROUTE THE WATER FROM THE WATER FROM THE TREATMENT FACILITIES TO TANKS IN ANOTHER GEOGRAPHICAL AREA ALL TOGETHER.

Is it possible to cover the water in the reservoir as it now stands rather than build a separate storage tank?

IS IT POSSIBLE TO HOLD WATER AND THEN PROCESS IT JUST BEFORE IT GOES OUT TO THE PUBLIC .

IS PASSAIC COUNTY THE PEOPLE IN THE USA THAT MUST COMPLY WITH LT2 RULE PEOPLE IN PA NEVER HEARD OF IT. EUGENE MURPHY, CLIFTON, NJ

IS THE WATER SHOWN IN THE ILLUSTRATION A RESERVOIR OR A LAKE FOR RECREATIONAL USE? IF IT IS I VOTE FOR #3.

IS THERE A POSSIBILITY OF UNDER GROUND TANKS ?

Is there a way to have a more inline processing facility that doesn't require large storage tanks at all or shrink the amount of storage space required. Perhaps with something like that, we could then use the current reservoir space for a better lake / park for all the residents and it would be disconnected from the water supply. The key would be to preserve this as an open space. Alternatively, is it possible to cover the lake at a lower level than the current surface, perhaps digging it deeper if needed for capacity. Then above that intermediate cover, creating a faux lake for the people on top of it. None of that water people see or birds would access would be for drinking, the actually drinking supply would be below it but you would preserve the feel of a lake.

Is there a way to process the water then send it to users, without interim storage? Seems wasteful.

Is there any way to have plantings around the storage tanks to totally shield them from view? If so, then maybe it would be unnecessary to spend the money to paint murals on the tanks. How can the Levine Reservoir be maintained as a scenic lake? I thought it had no natural source of water. If it can be maintained as a scenic lake with public recreation without great cost, then I'm for it.

IS THIS ONLY ABOUT THE LEVINE RESERVOIR, OR ARE OTHER RESERVOIRS SUCH AS GREAT NOTCH, NEW STREET AND CEDAR GROVE ALSO INVOLVED?

IS WATER USAGE STEADY YEAR ROUND? HOW ABOUT DEMAND PRICING TO CURTAIL WASTE?

ISSUE A 30 TO 40 YEAR BOND TO PAY FOR IT .IF YOU RAISE THE RATES YOU WILL EVENTUALLY PROFIT IN THE LONG RUN .

IT APPEARS THAT ONLY 7 TREES ARE NEEDED TO MAKE THE TANK LESS UGLY. THE OTHER TREES ARE EXTRANEIOUS AND MONEY SHOULD NOT BE SPENT FOR THEM.

It doesn't make sense to purify water first & store it in a way for the water to possibly become compromised. Store it - then purify it before it reaches our homes or build that tank. The price to customers is VERY important. The average person can no longer afford to live in New Jersey.

IT DOESN'T PAY TO SPEND A LOT OF MONEY TO DRESS UP THIS AREA AS FEW PEOPLE WILL GO THERE.

It is clear PVWC needs to consider other vendors. \$250,000 for a forest mural on a water tank is extremely over-priced. The plantings seem overpriced a bit as well. These figures are disgusting and reflect typical government overspending.

IT IS COMMON SENSE THAT OPEN WATER WILL BE OPEN TO DISEASE. SUCK IT UP AND SHAME ON YOU FOR NOT PRE-PLANNING LIKE OTHER COUNTRIES. HISTORY IS GREAT IF YOU'RE HERE TO SEE IT IN LIEU OF DRINKING DUCK S\*\*\*, ETC. PUT THE TANK IN AND PAINT IT TO BLEND IN THE ENVIRONMENT. IT WAS INEVITABLE!

It is important that the water from the faucet is safe for human consumption and fees will be associated with that. Either the fees can be paid now to resolve the matter or we can pay the fines and the fees to fix the matter. I certainly think this matter should be brought more to the public attention.

It looks like any costs associated with this project would be passed onto your customers. You have created a dangerous situation for the health of your customers. Who thought that cleaning the water where it could be open to other dangers was a good idea? Be thankful that everyone who is a customer does not sue your company. Who knows how many people got sick from drinking unsafe water that you provided? I never feel good and have no idea how drinking your water all my life has affected my health.

IT MAKES NO DIFFERENCE WHAT THE RESULTS OF THE SURVEY ARE BECAUSE THOSE AT THE TOP WILL MAKE DECISIONS THAT THEY WANT AND FILL POCKETS.

It seems like you are really pushing for the Tanks option. While it could be the best option I don't like the forced effort.

It seems there is no no cost method available to customers. Perhaps we can cut salaries at the top, force the employees at PVWC to work more efficiently (more work--less employees) in an effort to cut the costs of the upgrade and renovations.

IT SEEMS THIS PROBLEM WILL NEVER BE RESOLVED TO SATISFY EVERY PERSON WHO IS CONCERNED WITH IT. THE MAJORITY WILL PROBABLY RULE. COST NEEDS TO BE CONSIDERED AS MANY RESIDENTS HAVE FINANCIAL DIFFICULTIES IN MAKING ENDS MEET WITH THEIR BILLS. THEY DON'T NEED INCREASE IF POSSIBLE.

IT WOULD SEEM REASONABLE THAT MANY YEARS AGO THE PURIFICATION SHOULD HAVE BEEN DONE AFTER IT LEAVES THE RESERVOIR AND NOT BEFORE.



It's hard to answer any of these questions truthfully when NJ seems hell bent on destroying sites of cultural significance. I don't feel that people's opinions matter. You will do what you want to do.

It's Paterson I believe it should be secured drinking water û Security is a must this day & age û homeland security is priority for drinking water!!! But tank should be secured but doesn't need a mural or plantings at tax payer expense. It's Paterson plenty of commercial building only a mile or so away doesn't have murals!!!

It's wrong. Fix it.

IT THINK IT IS IMPORTANT TO PROTECT OUR WATER SUPPLY .YOU CAN'T PLEASE EVERYONE , BUT IT HAS TO BE DONE.

ITS A WASTE OF MONEY.

ITS BEEN FINE AS IS FOR YEARS LEAVE IT ALONE STOP OVER CHARGING THE RESIDENTS FOR BULLS\*\*\*!!

Its quite surprising to learn that the quality of our drinking water is not safe for us to consume. Given the fact that we live in Clifton, NJ USA and NOT a third world country. Why would such a basic living necessity allowed to be compromised? Also, at a minimum of \$200,000 for a cosmetic upgrade to a water tank (did you read that, it's a water tank) is such a waste of money. What about using that money for schools, roads, etc.?

Its sad that this survey is truly was set up for failure. Everyone knows changes cost money to the working class and with the increasing foreclosure rate in the city of Paterson's additional cost in the American dream will result in a deficit for the fiscal year. Of course we need to stop drinking and using polluted water but this also confirms New Jersey/Passaic County is becoming a place of the past. What a nightmare.

ITS SO SAD THAT WERE PAYING PEOPLE FOR DRINKING WATER FOR SO MANY YEARS THAT ARE NOW INDECISIVE ABOUT HOW TO SUPPLY US WITH SAFE DRINKING WATER

ITS THE EPA IDEA LET THEM PAY IT THE EPA IS A JOKE AND HAS NO IDEA WHAT THEY ARE DOING

ITS THE REASON I INSTALLED A WATER FILTRATION SYSTEM TO ADDRESS CRYPTOSPORIDUM .

ITS TIME FOR AN UPGRADE BUT PETERSONS DEBT IS UP TO OUR EARS. BEING SAFE IS IMPORTANT TO HEALTH AND OUR CHILDREN SPEND MONEY ON SOMETHING THAT S BENEFICIAL TO OUR CITY.

IVE BEEN DRINKING FOR 70 YEARS WITH NO ADVERSE EFFECTS IF N.Y. CAN DELAY AND \ OPT SO CAN WE.

just as long as there is no increase in the water bill, we pay enough already

JUST BUILD A TANK AS PROPOSED. NO ADDITIONAL COST. PEOPLE ARE SUFFERING FROM HIGH TAXES IN THE HISTORY OF AMERICA SO DON'T TRY COMING WITH IDEAS TO INCREASE THE BILL

Just build a tank at no additional cost. Do you have any idea how people earn every single cents of their income?!!!

JUST BUILD TANK AND SEND OUT CLEAN DRINKING WATER.

JUST CLEAN UP THE WATER MOST COST EFFECTIVELY. I DON'T CARE ABOUT THE VIEW-JUST OUR HEALTH! I'VE BEEN BUYING BOTTLED WATER AND STILL PAYING YOUR HIGH REATES FOR YOUR WATER THAT IS NOT POTABLE. AND WHATEVER HAPPENED TO THE CASE OF ONE OF YOUR STAFF FOUND DEAD IN THE WATER?? ALSO, YOU SHOULD AT LEAST PAY FOR THIS POSTAGE!!!!

Just do not disrupt the ecosystem. We share that reservoir with plant/animal life that I am sure if disrupted will affect us. Try to preserve best of both worlds. Thanks for asking.

Just do tank a proposed with no additional cost!! Us working class cannot aford any more financial hardship!!

Just don't put tanks!

JUST DON'T RAISE RATES.

JUST DRINKING WATER CLEAN THANKYOU

JUST FOLLOW THE RULES. NOTE: CUSTOMER ZIP DID NOT SEEM RIGHT BUT THERE WAS NO RETURN ADDRESS ON ENVELOPE TO SHOW OTHERWISE.

JUST GET THE JOB DONE RIGHT WITHOUT ALL THE POLITICAL NONSENSE.

JUST KEEP IT THE WAY IT IS. EVERYBODY GET ON A BAND WAGON, WHAT HAPPENS SOMEPLACE ELSE, IS SUPPOSE TO HAPPEN HERE ITS ALL BULLS\*\*\* AND AGAIN WATER RATES GO UP. YOU AND THIS ASSHOLE THAT'S SUPPOSE TO BE GOVER JUST KEEP PRICING PEOPLE OUT OF THERE HOME WITH THESE NICKLE AND DIME S\*\*\*.

JUST KEEP OUR WATER SAFE AND CLEAN

JUST KEEP US SAFE AND STOP WORRING ABOUT SCENERY, ETC..

Just make sure water is very important for our health. Thank you. Jose Bombon

JUST MAKE SURE WE HAVE CLEAN DRINKING WATER

JUST PAINT THE TANKS GREEN.

JUST PAYING THIS DOES NOT TURN INTO MONEY PIT WITH POLITICS FILLING THER POCKETS LIKE ALWAYS .

JUST PLANT A LOT OF TALL THICK TREES AND SHRUBS AROUND THE THAT ARE MAINTANCE FREE LIKE LIKE EVERGREEN TREES AND ARBARVITES REAL TREES AND HEDGES LOOK BETTER THAN A PAINTED TANK.

JUST PROTECT OUR WATER FROM ANY CONTAMINATION

JUST TO LOOK AT HOW FAR YOU GUYS HAVE COME CONTINUE DO WHAT IS BETTER FOR OUR LIVES AS WELL AS ALL ANIMALS, ETC. TO LIVE TO. WATER IS PART OF OUR DAILY LIVING EACH AND EVERY DAY.

JUST WANT CLEAN WATER SUPPLY TO AVOID HEALTH ISSUES NOW AND IN FUTURE.

JUST WANT SAFE DRINKING WATER.

JUSTB DO WHAT IS THE SAFEST FOR ALL PEOPLE WHILE CAUSING THE LEAST IMPACT.

KEEP BRAINSTROMING FOR BEST SOLOUTIONS.

Keep drinking water safe. First and foremost concern! We are senior citizens with a fixed income. How much we can financially support these endeavors is very limited. The PVWC and Passaic County should realize how vulnerable seniors are with water safety and to keep costs limited. Keep it simple.

KEEP EVERYTHING THE SAME !!

KEEP PEOPLE AWAY FROM THE SUPPLY

KEEP THE COST DOWN WE TO NOT NEED TO PAY MORE FOR WATER DO THE TANK AS PROPOSED NO MORE COST FOR THE EPA IT'S ALL MONEY.

Keep the costs down please. Follow the law (although our water is, and always has been, fine). No extra cash on 'frills or nice-to-haves. I think it's great Paterson is a historic district, but who goes there? Don't need anymore parks, go up to Garrett Mountain.

KEEP THE CUSTOMER INFORMED MORE AND HAVE IT ON US CABLE SO WE CAN UNDERSTAND BETTER OR HAVE COMMUNITY MEETINGS. THANK YOU

KEEP THE ITS IS FOR NOW

Keep the reservoirs and treat the water again before it arrives to the customers. There isn't enough nature in the area and draining these bodies of water will just add to that.

Keep the reservoirs as they are---no tanks!--- but re-treat water as it leaves the reservoirs and enters the active supply system.

KEEP THE WATER SAFE AND KEEP THE PEOPLE AWAY FROM WATER RESERVOIR AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE

KEEP THE WATER SAFE.

Keep the water visible!

KEEP UP WITH NEW EPA IMPROVMENTS.

Kudo's to you! This is very well done. I hope the public understands the depth of the problem. As an avid hiker, kayaker and outdoorsman, I am all too aware of the water problem. I see it first hand when I paddle frequently on NJ's reservoirs and recreational areas. The aquatic birds are ruining the water that we need to survive. I applaud the steps and strategies that you are undertaking. I would be willing to take a more active role in your support.

Least

LEAST POSSIBLE COST TO HAVE SAFE DRINKING WATER

LEAVE AS IS THE MANDATE CAN AND WILL BE DELAYED

Leave everything as is. I'll install a water filtration system in my home. Thank you

Leave it alone, it is fine and has worked all these years.

Leave it alone. Tank and go.

LEAVE IT AS IS..

LEAVE IT AS IT IS WE HAVE HAD NO PROBLEMS OVER THE YEARS LEAVE IT ALONE PWC IS ALWAYS SPENDING AND SPENDING.

LEAVE OPEN WATER RESERVOIR AS IS

LEAVE TANK AS IS WITH NO ADDITIONAL COST TO RESIDENTS

Leave the reservoir open as it is. Treat the water with Ultra violet radiation which will destroy harm full bacterial.

LEAVE THE RESERVOIRS AND TREAT THE WATER BEFORE IT GOES INTO THE SYSTEM. JUST LIKE NEWARK DOES. AREAS SHOULD BE OPEN FOR REC PURPOSES, EX, FISHING, HIKING, EVEN FOR A FEE JUST LIKE NEWARK WATER SHED.

LEAVE THE RESERVOIRS AS THEY ARE . WHERE ARE THE ANIMALS GOING TO DRINK. YOUR AGAIN UPSETTING THE BALANCE OF NATURE.

LEAVE THE WATER ALONE

Leave well enough alone

LEAVE WELL ENOUGH ALONE.

LEAVE WELL ENOUGH ALONE. WHEN WAS THE LAST TIME ANYONE HAS GOTTEN ILL. I FISH THE NEWARK WATERSHED AND HAVE CAUGHT SOME OF THE BEST FISH IN THE TRI STATE AREA. IF IT'S GOOD ENOUGH FOR THE FISH IT SHOULD BE GOOD ENOUGH FOR US.

Leaving treated water where it can become recontamited doesn't make any sence and should have been addressed long before this. I was not aware of this. Regarding cost, is the increase quarterly or yearly? Rates now are more for the service than for consumption. Clean water is top priority. Don't have ideas for alternatives.

Lets not make these tanks and make those places as a public place where people can visit and see the beauty of Paterson.

LETS WAIT TILL IT BECOMES MANDITORY IF IT EVER DOES .NY IS WAITING SO SHOULD WE.

Like a lot o people I thought the water went thru the treatment plan to the faucet. I was really surprised to read that various birds sat in the water before going to the faucets. I put my health before money. Please act without delay.

Listen, it is what it is. We need clean & safe drinking water in order to survive as a species, correct? The only solution is to make it clean and secure against any threat, man made or otherwise. Thank you!

LIVE PASSAIC WATER SUPPLY AS IS FINE.

Look, I'm sure most people don't realize that their drinking water is stored in the OPEN before it gets to their faucet. I thought, as you pointed out, that drinking water flows from the Reservoir, to the plant that purifies the water and then to the faucet. To store water for drinking out in the open, exposed to all of the contaminates in the environment today, is barbaric! This is insane!!! Wouldn't it be easy for a terrorist to contaminate our drinking water if it sits exposed to the open air, a hell of a lot easier than if it were enclosed in some sort of a secure facility. Has anyone ever heard of the Diamond Water Paradox! We can't live without clean drinking water, lock it up and make it safe!!! No one wants to pay more, unless it's the price of life! Thank you for the opportunity to be heard.

LOWER WATER PAYMENTS THAT IS ALL I CARE ABOUT WE MIGHT MOVE OUT OF CLIFTON..

Lowest cost for clean water. If 12 people have an issue for the good of several hundred thousand spend the money on court fees rather than higher cost, longer term maintenance.

LT2 = stupid and expensive solution to a non-problem. Treat reservoir water when claimed for use, not before.

MAINTAINING AN OPEN SITE TO OUR WATER RESERVOIR IS NOT THE SMARTIST CHOICE ANYONE CAN MAKE. WE CAN PAY NOW AND MAKE THE MOST OF A VERY DANGEROUS SITUATION

Make drinking water safe to citizens of Paterson.

Make home filtering systems affordable and available to the home ownneers involved .

Make our water safe and clean at any cost. Also make our property where tanks are stored neat.

MAKE SURE THAT OUR WATER IS VERY DRINKABLE WITH NO ADDITIONAL COST TO US!!!!

MAKE THE RESERVOIR A PUBLIC PARK/LAKE CHARGE SMALL FEE FOR ENTRY TO GO TO PATERSON HISTORIC FOUNDATION/COST OR RESERVOIR WITH SWIMMING, PICKNICK TABLES.

Maximize effectiveness while minimizing cost.

MAYBE YOU CAN EVERY HOUSE A FREE WATER FILTER THAT ATTACHS TO YOUR SINK .

MIDDLE CLASS AND LOW INCOME FAMILIES CANNOT AFFORD HIGHER WATER PRICES ALL THE TIME.OUR SALARIES DON'T RAISE

MOST COST EFFECTIVE APPROACH WOULD BE DESIRABLE AS WATER BILLS HAVE ALREADY GONE UP THIS YEAR. CONSIDERABLY FOR NO APPARENT REASON.

MOST OF SHORE TOWNS IN SOUTH JERSEY HAVE TANKS SHAPED LIKE POPCICLES AND ARE WAY ABOVE SEA LEVEL. NO ONE HAS A ISSUE WITH THEM, AND THEY SERVE AS LANDMARKS. THEN PAINT THESE WITH BIRDS, CLOUDS AND MURALS TO IDENTIFY THE TOWNS MOTTO AND LOCATION.

MOST OF THE PEOPLE DON'T USE TAP WATER FOR DRINKING DON'T WASTE OUR MONEY PLEASE

MOST PEOPLE BUY THERE DRINKING WATER MOST USE IS FOR COOKING WHICH KILLS THE BACTERIA. I THINK WE SHOULD LEAST EXPENSIVE WAY TO MEET EPA RULES.

MOSTLY MAKE THE WATER SAFE FOR THE PEOPLE OF PASSAIC AREA AND ANYWHERE ELSE FOR PEOPLE TO LIVE LONGER. THANK YOU

MOVE AT THIS TIME.

Move forward with the storage tank plan as soon as possible -- clean, safe water is the priority, whatever the cost per customer

Move the tanks to an area far from the reservoirs and Garret Mountain. Utilize disinfectant chemicals in reservoirs. Do not destroy Garret Mountain area any more than it already has been destroyed.

MOST OF THE WATER IS USED FOR WASHING/LAUNDRY/POOLS/SPRINKLER SYSTEM AND WASHING CARS. WE ARE DRINKING WATER FROM BOTTLES OR FILTER. I DON'T SEE REASON FOR THAT EXPENSE

MY BIGGEST CONCERN IS WHAT WE HOMEOWNERS ARE PAYING. PSU FOR SERVICES OUTRAGE.

MY CONCERN LIES SOLELY WITH THE PURITY AND QUALITY OF MY WATER. I AM NOT OPPOSED TO THE TANK. I DO NOT WANT TO SEE AN INCREASE IN COST. NO OFFENSE BUT THE PVWC IS RICH ENOUGH. FOR ONCE CAN'T THE GREED BE PUT ASIDE AND THE BIG SUITS DO THE RIGHT THING. PEOPLE ARE STRUGGLING TO MAKE PAYCHECKS AND S.S. TO COVER THEIR NEEDS..

My feelings are that if the EPA dictates a change, they should support the funding for it. How much more are the tax payers suppose to keep dishing out. If the reservoir is to have the tank, it should be secluded from anyone. The more people have access to it, the more likely that garbage will accumulate. For years the reservoir has been like it is. The option of filtering the water after and not before it is stored was not mentioned.

MY FIRST IMPRESSION IS THAT IT IS UTTERLY RIDICULOUS TO ASK CUSTOMERS QUESTIONS THAT WOULD MORE APPROPRIATELY BE ASKED OF LEGAL AND SCIENTIFIC EXPERTS.

My first preference is to allow us to go back to our water supplier and maintenance before we contracted with PVWC irrespective of the possibility you believe that system has faults. I've spoken with you personally, Mr. Bella, but I'm sure you may not recall--it was after the first bacteria report after PVWC became our water supplier. I was first corrected and told there were 3 public reports of bacteria instead of 2.

My highest concern is security. Storage tanks sound like the most secure alternative.



My husband and I never use the water unless we filter it. Besides insects, animals, etc. getting into the water I worry about how easy it would be for terrorists to put something in the water. They're crazy!

My main concern for years has been the easy accessibility to the water supply as a security concern, not a clean water concern. While I'm totally fine with open reservoirs, I am concerned with some nut poisoning the supply. For that reason alone I'm ok with the tanks.

MY MAINE CONCERN IS THE HIKE IN ALREADY HIGH TAXES. MOST OF THE PEOPLE THAT THE RESERVOIR SERVE ARE FROM COUNTIES WHERE WATER POLLUTION IS CAUSED BY COW MANURE DUCK ,CHICKENS ,AND FISH . SO THE WATER THAT IS IN LEVINE RESERVOIR IS FINE . BUY BOTTLED WATER KEEP TAXES DOWN..

MY NAME IS ????????, ME AND MY HUSBAND ARE BOTH RETIRED ON A FIXED INCOME, HOWEVER, WE ARE WILLING TO CHIP N ON ANY WATER BILL INCREASE (BUT PLEASE NOT MUCH) ALTHOUGH WE DO NOT USE WATER VERY MUCH EXCEPT FOR TAKING SHORT SHOWERS EVERY OTHER DAY, WE RESPECT WHATEVER IS THE FINAL DECISION. MAYBE FOR THE GOOD OF THE ENTIRE COMMUNITY.

MY OPINION IS THIS RESERVOIR HAS OPERATED AS DOES CURRENTLY FOR QUITE EFFICIENTLY AND ANY CHAGES ARE COSTLY EXCESSIVE AND UNWANTED. (SURVEY ONLY PURPOSE IS TO STEER CUSTOMERS TOWARDS A TANK VERSION)

My opinion; I leave it up to you, you people deal with day-by-day. Use your judgement. Thank you.

My suggestions for the the Levine Reservoir project is to place the new system of water tanks inside the Grand Street Rock Quarry that sits off to the side to the entrance to the Garrett Mountain Reserve. Below the existing Levine Reservoir System, out of the view of the public. Keep the park as it is, use the old reservoir system as a backup water supply in the event of a drought, creating a much larger water supply if ever needed.

My thoughts are why purchase water? We the people of Paterson should have clean water for ALL. PERIOD !

MY UNDERSTANDING IS THAT OTHER DISTRICTS APPEAL THIS RULING AND SOUGHT DELAYS. IT DOESN'T SOUND LIKE YOU HAD ANY INTENTION OF DOING THAT FROM THE START.

N/A

N/A

N/A

n/a

N/A

N/A It's was all good. Be careful it could be dengerse.

N/A for me! I just do not want additional monies I have to pay for the upkeep of Paterson where in the quality of life is #3 on the list of alternatives from those in charge!!!

NA

NA

NATIONAL HISTORICAL PARK DESIGNATION NO CHANGES IN AREA .

NATURE IS VERY IMPORTANT SO THEREFORE, THE WATER THAT WE CONSUME SHOULD BE CLEAN

NO

No additional alternatives.

No additional comment.

no additional costs please nobody drinks from the faucet - we all buy bottled water

No additional increase in water charges for consumers! 1. The reservoir is for water storage. It should not try to be everything to everyone by trying to hide it or unnecessary enhancements. 2. Have PVWC research technology of water on call that does not need additional storage after it has already been purified? 3. Have all efforts been exhausted to find grand funds available through agencies and government?

No additional thoughts.

No alternatives, but would like to know if filtration through home filters like Britte would make any changes necessary.

NO ALTERNATIVES, HOWEVER SOMETHING NEEDS TON BE DONE ABOUT THE SAFETY OF OUR WATER.

No alternatives.

NO BUT WE ARE AGHAST THAT PVWC DID NOT COMPLY WITH EPA RULES AND ENDANGERED LIVES OF THE YOUNG, ELDERLY. AND THOSE WITH COMPROMISED IMMUNE SYSTEMS.

NO COMMENT

NO COMMENT

no comment on question 11.

No comments

NO COMMENTS.

No extra costs

NO EXTRA SPENDING ON BEAUTIFICATION KEEP IT PLAIN AND SIMPLE. I HAVE HAD A WATER BORNE ILLNESS AND THE SYMPTOMS AND RECUPERATION WERE HORRIFIC! MAKE THE WATER SAFE AS QUICKLY AND EFFICIENTLY AS POSSIBLE!

No increases in rates.

No matter how you slice it, reconditioned water is gross. I don't care what type of chemical cleaning solutions are applied. Other people's pee and poo, meds, toxic chemicals.

No matter what data you get from the survey you are probably going to do what you want to do. It's a way to make money. You are forcing people to buy bottled water, due to the fact that the project is too costly and confusing.

NO MATTER WHAT OPION WE CHO OSE THE CUSTOMERS END UP THE LOSERS. I'M DISGUSTED WITH THIS BECAUSE PEOPLE ARE STRUGGING ENOUGH ALREADY TO PAY THE BILLS THEY HAVE. THE EPA IS A BUNCH OF RADICAL NUTS PART OF THE ALL CONTROLLING DICTATORSHIP WE LIVE UNDER NOW..

No matter what option is chosen, the end result is that PVWC will pass the cost along to the consumer along with any other costs they think they can justify.

NO MATTER WHAT THE ALTERNATIVE (WHEN SHOULD HAVE BEEN ADDRESSED YEARS AGO) THE BOTTOM LINE FILTERS DOWN TO THE CONSUMER. WHY CAN'T THIS SYSTEM BE S GOOD AS JERSEY CITY OR NEWARK? THEIR WATER IS GREAT. IT WOULD BE NICE TO TURN ON THE FAUCET AND THE WATER NOT SMELL

NO MATTER WHAT YOU DO YOUR ORGANIZATION LIKE PSEG ARE GOING TO DO WHAT EVER YOU WANT YOUR A BUNCH OF CROOKS .

NO MATTER WHAT YOU WRITE IT WILL COST ALL OF US MORE MONEY!! I EVEN HAVE TO SUPPLY THE STAMP ON YOUR SURVEY!!

NO MATTER WHAT=THE PEOPLE TAHT LIVE IN PATERSON WILL NOT CARE FOR ANYTHING NICE THIS TOWN HAS TO OFFER. WE NEED TO DO WHAT IS BEST FOR THE ECONOMY

NO MORE INCREASES! ALL THE YEARS I GREW UP HERE AND NOW RETURNED, HOW WAS WATCHING THE WATERLOO? IT SMELLS-IT BROWN ALOT. I DRINK BOTTLED WATER. I DON'T CARE AS LONG AS OUR COST DOES NOT INCREASE!

NO MORE OPINIONS; BUT GOD BLESS PATERSON AND THE PASSAIC VALLEY WATER COMMISSION!!

NO MURALS-REAL TREES/PLANTS TO BENEFIT NATURE.

NO NOT AT THIS TIME

No opinion. Can't afford any of the changes financial.

NO OPIONION

no other ideas on this matter

No postage!! What amateurs you are!

NO PUBLIC CONTACT W/TREATED WATER SHED AND RESERVOIR

NO SUGGESTIONS

NO TANKS

NO TANKS WE NEVER HAD PROBLEMS THE WAY IT IS-STOP LOOKING TO FIX THINGS THAT DON'T NEED IT!!!!

NO TANKS!

No tanks! 100 years as is no problem!

NO TANKS! Is there any way this commission can do ANYTHING without stealing money from its customers? Feasibility studies? Hogwash! Just another way to pad your pockets. The PVWC is one of the most inept and corrupt agencies in our area.

No viable suggestions.

None

NONE

None

NONE

NONE

None

None

None

None

None

None

None

None

None

None

None

none

None

NONE

None

None

None

none

none

none

None at this time.

None I could think of.....

None of the above. Do this project at the lowest cost and think of more projects after the clean water project is done. How high can our taxes go up?

None.

None.

None. Good luck!

Not at the moment

NOT AT THIS TIME.

NOT BEING AN EXPERT, I WILL LEAVE IT TO THE POWERS TO BE. GOOD LUCK.

NOT HAPPY WITH ANY INCREASE PVW COST MORE THAN SURROUND MUNICIPALITIES NOW YOUR KILLING US WITH ALL THESE EXTRA EXPENSES! DO SOMETHING AND I FEEL WE, THE PEOPLE SHOULD NOT HAVE TO ABSORB THE INCREASE.. WE PAY ENOUGH ALREADY.

Not much of a survey. Pretty obvious what results are hoped for and it all costs the people a lot of money that isn't in the family budget.

NOT SURE HOW MANY CUSTOMERS BELONG TO PWWC. POSSIBILITY INSTALLING FILTERS IN EACH HOME THAT MITE ELIMINATE SOME OF TOXINS IN THE WATER AND ALSO BE COST SAVING

Not sure why you need Levine altogether? Do not see the benefit of storing treated water? If you are even considering the option of building a second treatment to treat water right before it is sent to the faucets (which is a redundancy) why can't the piping of the existing treatment plant be modified to send the treated water directly to the faucets as opposed to first storing it at Levine?.

Not worried about cost. Worried about getting sick and dying. Come onset's be for real about this. What is important? Our health and life I hope...

Nothing but to make it as safe as it can be. I always thought there was something horribly wrong with the water besides it tasting corroded!

Nothing to add, thanks

NYC WATER IS ALLEGEDLY ONE OF THE CLEANEST WATER SUPPLIES IN COUNTRY. HAS ANYONE AT PWWC CONTACTED THEM FOR SUGGESTIONS AS TO HOW TO MAKE OUR WATER SAFE TO DRINK FROM THE FAUCET.

Obviously people's health is more important. For years I have wondered why there is a sulfur smell to the water and now we know. It is the excrement from animals. This needs to be done to secure the health of everyone and to be honest the price we paid all these years for dirty water should be reimbursed. I would have gladly paid more had our water been properly stored! Make this an educational experience. Have the children in the schools paint the tanks & murals. Teach them that health is ore important than the views and cost of the water consumers.

OMG HOW DID GROWN MEN COME UP WITH SOMETHING SO STUPID? CLEAN THE WATERS THEN PUT IT BACK IN A HOLE IN THE GROUND TO GET CONTAMINATED. YOU SEND TO IT TO PEOPLE TO DRINK. SOME DAYS MY WATER SMELLS LIKE FISH-NOW I KNOW WHY

ONCE AGAIN THE EPA GROSSLY OVERSTEPS THIER BOUNDARIES AND EXPECTS THE TAX PAYERS TO NOT ONLY TO PAY THIER SALARIES BUT TO PAY THEIR EXPENSES.

One option you showed was an enclosed tank as proposed at no additional cost. What about an option of the tank enclosed in glass (like a greenhouse)? Understanding the cost associated with the other options, I think a more cost effective option should be available. Definitely against the mural as it will never match -->what will it look like in the fall or winter when the trees around it have different color leaves(no leaves) or snow?--TERRIBLE IDEA! In addition, murals have a maintenance fee for upkeep (UV rays from the sun change the color of murals) -- this is not being shared with consumers as it will impact our water rate. I'm personally very happy to hear that measures are being taken to fix our water. I have followed the water info mailed to our homes since I moved to Clifton a few years back and was disappointed to see that the quality was so much lower then the town in NJ I moved from. A huge supporter of this change, although not something we all want to spend our money on. It is the right thing for the health of our community & it's people. Thank You for allowing us to have a voice!

ONE QUESTION- IS WATER STANDING IN STORAGE THANKS FOR A LONG PERIOD OF TIME AT THE RISK FOR BACTERIA FORMATION? IF SO, IS THIS A SAFE OPTION?

ONE THING I KNOW I AM PAYING EVERY WEEK ABOUT 5-7 DOLLARS FOR MY DRINKING AND COOKING WATER! I WISH I HAVE BETTER IDEAS, THANK YOU.



OPEN RESERVOIRS ARE VERY VISABLE TARGETS FOR MALIECIOUS CHEMICAL CONTAMINATION AND SHOULD BE ENCLOSED FOR HEALTH AND SECURITY REASONS.

OPEN. I ANSWER TO THE BEST I COULD. GOOD LUCK IN WHATEVER BEST.

OPTIONAL ITEMS Q12 DEPENDS ON COST WITH WATER TESTING / MONITORING HOW QUICKLY CAN A ISSUE BE DETECTED TO NOTIFY USERS. WE HAVE A E-SRING WATER FILTER FOR OUR DRINKING WATER WHICH REMOVES 99.95 % OF CYSPTOSPORIDIUM AND OTHER PATHOGENS. ANNUAL FILTER COST IS LESS THAN YOUR INCREASES.

Our drinking water is not safe for consumption. Get it done. Being out of compliance for 20 some odd years is inexcusable and shows a blatant disregard for public health and safety.

OUR FIRST CONCERN SHOULD BE OUR HEALTH . IF WE PERISH OR OTHER WISE INFLECT OUR WELL BEING ,WE COULDN'T VISIT THE HISTORIC SITE ANYWAY.THE SECOND CONCERN OUGHT TO BE THE MOST ECONOMIAL WAY TO PRESERVE THE HISTORIC AREA . CAMOFLAGE SEEMS TO THE MOST EFFICIENT. MAYBE CONCERNED ENVIRONMENTALIST CAN VOLUNTEER SOME SERVICES AND THEREBY CUTTING SOME COST.

OUR ONLY CONCERN AT THIS TIME IS TO HAVE THE WATER CLEAN AND SAFE TO DRINK. BEING ON A FIXED INCOME (RETIRED) THIS WOULD BE OUR OTHER CONCERN IF THE WATER RATES WENT UP CONSIDERABLY.

PAINT TANKS GREEN

Paint the tank green. It will blend in just fine.

paint the tanks green and be done with it!!! please it's Paterson right???

Paint the tanks GREEN!

Paint the tanks with an inexpensive design such as camouflage design and the shrub with various types of landscaping vegetation.

PARTS OF THE SURVEY I DO NOT UNDERSTAND. IN ANY CASE WE AGREE TO IMPROVE OUR WATER SYSTEM WITHOUT ANY COAST TO US, THINGS ARE BAD. THANK YOU

Passaic River Water Sucks! Here I was thinking that using the most toxic river for drinking water was DISGUSTING?!?! but treating it and then storing it open in Paterson? That area is industrial and toxic abandonment. Crackheads hide in shadows at nightà where? Just where do they piss? They should hang all those involved in this! Including the corrupt Lodi government who changed from Hackensack water

Paterson as a city is already an eye-soar. I grew up here and the city has only gone down hill. The most important factor is that the population gets clean & safe water supply. Any added expense is just waste and a way to frivolously spend money & give it to contractors.

Paterson has a high percentage of disadvantages to its youth and their mental competencies. As one of the highest special education cites in NJ one would conclude that not only lead from from paint but lead in the drinking water as well as other microorganisms continue to disaffect learning. This is a great concern.

Paterson was a prosper city due to jobs and industries. Not anymore. It is a high crime area that brought the real estate value down. The historic district is just that, history. An open reservoir can be also an easy target for terrorist attacks. Keep it effective and efficient with the new project, keeping in mind the working class families.

Pay for everything yourself our rates are too high. Next time send a stamp.

PEOPLE BUY DRINKING WATER IN BOTTLES OR FILTER IT. WATER FROM THE TAP IS FOR WATERING PLANTS, WASHING CARS, PEOPLE AND DISHES. WHAT'S THE BIG DEAL!!!

PEOPLE DON'T DRICK THE WATER FROM TAP.WE PAY A SMALL PRICE FOR BOTTLED WATER I CAN,T AFORD A BIG WATER BILL BECAUSE I DON'T DRINK IT. DO A SERVEY ON HOW MANY POEPL E GOT SICK NJ. PEOPLE ARE MOVING OUT OF THE STATE BECAUSE IT COSTS TO MUCH TO LIVE HERE

PEOPLE THAT IS DRINKING WATER FROM A FOUNTAIN ON THE OUTSIDE OR IN DR. BUILDING SURE NOT DRAW GUM OR WIPE THERE FACE IN THE FOUNTAIN. I DISAGREE WITH AT ALL TIMES I THINK THAT THIS IS RIGHT AT ALL.

Perhaps build the tanks and put minimal trees to obstruct ??? of viewers that is will affect not all the way around. Add fluoride to drinking water as a health benefit. Thank you.

PERHAPS I DO NOT KNOW ALL THE ISSUES BECAUSE Y CONCERN IN S TGUS SURVEY IS ONLY ABOUT TGE LEVINE RESERVOIR. I THOUGHT IT WOULD ALSO CONCERN THE RESERVOIRS AT GARRETT MOUNTAIN.

PERHAPS I'M JUST NOT PAYING ATTENTION BUT HOW CAN THE STORAGE TANK, AS ILLUSTRATED, HOLD THE SAME AMOUNT OF WATER AS THE RESERVOIR CURRENTLY CONTAINS? IT WOULD SEEM AS THOUGH THE RESERVOIR WILL BE RENDERED USELESS BUT THAT DOESN'T MAKE SENSE EITHR-IT WILL BE LEFT FILLED WITH WATER BUT ONLY FOR ORNAMENTAL PURPOSES? WHY NOT INVEST THE MONEY IN REVERSING THE DIRECTION OF FLOW TO THE TREATMENT PLANT SO THAT UNTREATED WATER FILLS THE RESERVOIR AND THE STOAGE TANKS EXIST NEXT TO THE TREATMENT PLANT. IF MY QUESTION MAKES NO SENSE, THEN I WOULD SUGGEST THAT THIS SURVEY LACKS THE INFORMATION TO TRULY EXPLAIN THE CURRENT SET UP AND ALTERATIONS. GOOD LUCK

PERHAPS JUST PUT TREES WHERE ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY AS IN THE FOREGROUND TO SHIELD VIEW OF NOT ALL AWAY AROUND. THE PVWC SHOULD ADD FLORIDE TO THE WATER.

PERSONALLY, I THINK THAT THIS IS A PROJECT FOR SPECIAL INTERESTS TO MAKE MONEY. ALL THESE YEARS THE WATER HAS BEEN FINE.

Personally, my husband & I have no issues related to the drinking water as it is now, stored in an outside reservoir. We do not drink water from our faucets! We drink bottled Spring water! Perhaps all citizens should do this! Save all the costs of these rulings! Just use water for non-drinking purposes! Costs keep escalating, people cannot afford & r forced to move elsewhere! So, people who do not drink water from their faucets will b forced to pay for the higher costs when it does not benefit them! We have had this system for a hundred years or more! Now it becomes an issue! Unbelievable!

Place the treatment tank where the reservoir is and the reservoir where the treatment tank is location. Then the water would be treated just before it is pumped to the homes.

Plans for existing reservoir seem to offer best alternatives. After all, where else will we get our water if not from the Passaic River?

Plant visit aria it will cover the tank w/o painting mural.

PLANTING TREES AROUND THE TABLE IS BEST BUT DON'T LEAVE IT GRAY AS IN PICTURE C BUT PAINT IT A SOLID FORREST GREEN (NO MURAL) GREEN COLOR BEHIND THE TREES

PLEASE BUILD THESE TANKS AND GIVE US GOOD DRINKABLE WATER. HIDE THE TANKS WITH TALL TREES AND MOVE ON.

PLEASE COMPLY ASAP! NOBODY WANTS TO DRINK DIRTY WATER! IF PEOPLE GET SICK, IT WILL BE OUR FAULT FOR TAKING YOUR TIME!

Please consider option. tank as proposed at no additional cost

Please continue with the communication on this issue. It is very much appreciated. We would like to know the timelines of the project, when it is planned to be completed, when it is actually completed, and would like to be notified when our water is being stored in the tanks and is no longer coming from the open reservoir. Thank you!

PLEASE DO NOT RAISE OUR WATER BILL

PLEASE DO NOT SEND ANYMORE OF THESE. THIS IS THE SECOND ONE. THANK YOU

PLEASE DO THE MOST COST EFFECTIVE THING TO KEEP THE WATER PRICES DOWN.

Please do what is right and honest for everyone involved. Thank you.

PLEASE DON'T DO UNNECESSARY STEPS THAT INCREASE RATES. THANK YOU.

PLEASE DON'T DESTROY OUR ENVIRONMENT. THE GARETT MONCLAIRE RESERVATION ALONG WITH WOODLAND PARK AND GREAT FALLS SHOULD BE PRESERVED. NOT DESTRUCTED. MIGRATORY BIRDS USE THESE RESERVOIRS. I DO NOT WANT MY DRINKING WATER KEPT IN CEMENT PLEASE LEAVE MY BACK YARD ALONE.

Please don't even think of using the Passaic River for our drinking water. it is totally polluted. An I don't even drink the water from the Levine Reservoir. It tastes so disgusting. After you clean it, you leave it open so animals can poop in it and run-off can contaminate it again! What a bunch of morons. Use your common sense!

Please don't ruin what is a national treasure to be around.

PLEASE DUE WHAT IS THE BEST FOR SAFTEY AND GOOD ; HEALTH FOR ALL OF US.

PLEASE JUST MAKE OUR WATER SAFE.

PLEASE JUST MAKE WATER CLEAN. SAFE. AS OF NOW I DON'T WANT TO DRINK IT, NEVER MIND CLEAN MYSELF WITH IT.

PLEASE KEEP OUR DRINKING WATER SAFE. THE WATER IS SOMETIMES BROWN.

PLEASE KEEP THE COST DOWN . IM A SENIOR CITIZEN AND CAN NOT AFFORD ADDITIONAL COSTS

PLEASE MAKE THE DRINKING WATER AS SAFE AS POSSIBLE.

PLEASE MAKE THE WATER SAFE AT A LOW COST.

PLEASE NEVER UTILIZE WATER FROM THE PASSAIC RIVER. THAT WATER IS COMPLETELY DIRTY WITH A LOT OF GARBAGE AND DEAD ANIMALS.

Please protect our drinking water. I did not realize that the open body of water was already treated. You could at least place a stamp on the envelope.

PLEASE PROVIDE US WITH SAFE CLEAN WATER.

Please review your budgets to see if any funds can be used to finance the project. This may result in lower rate increase for customers.

PLEASE STOP RAISING PRICES FOR NON DRINKING WATER THAT SMELLS AND HAS LEAD IN IT. TAXPAYERS PAY ENOUGH. STOP ROBBING THEM FOR SEWER CHARGES AND FOR NON DRINKING WATER NEXT YOU WILL CHARGE FOR RAIN WATER. TAKE THE MONEY FROM SOMEONE ELSE.

Please take care the quality of our water for the sake of our children and elders.

Please tell me why I have a brown residue on sinks and toilets.

Politicians are relentless in finding ways to hurt the people of Paterson, I have been living in Paterson for 34 years, and never had a problem of whatsoever. But this creatures (politician) have to end the way to drain people's pockets. At the end we all have to do what they say. Isn't this freaky??? I have been drinking this water for 30 years and no health problems...

Possibly retreating the water at the reservoir with just UV light to remove any microorganisms that come from the already treated water

Post-storage filtration and treatment of the water from all 3 reservoirs in 1 location.

Postpone until further review by EPA. Ignore EPA ruling, refuse to pay any fines. Read 10th Amendment to the US constitution. This is a local/state matter. EPA has no jurisdiction here. Demand abolition of the EPA. Place all EPA administrators in large tank of water in Washington DC at EPA expense. Let that be the last taxpayer money that they spend.

PRE PAID POSTAGE WOULD HAVE BEEN NICE !!!!

Present plan by PWWC is to drain (3) reservoirs in Garret Mountain & replace the reservoirs with water tanks to keep water clean after it has been purified. My suggestion is not to drain the reservoirs and place the tanks in alternate locations: (1) in the abandoned New Street quarry 6 100 ft dis x 50 ft high tanks holding 12 million gallons of water. (2) Locate tanks also on the north and south ends of the Rifle Camp Reservoir. Comment: Storing clean water in tanks will soon become contaminated with algae blooms, mold spores & Legionnaires Disease (all toxic) requiring repurification.

PRIOR TO THE EPA ORDER, DID THE INDIVIDUAL OR GOVERNING BOARD (IF THIS EXISTS) OF THE PWWC, IN CHARGE OF MONITORING TH PWWC-REALIZE THE DANGER TO CUSTOMERS? I NOT, THE EPA IS A NECESSARY WATCH DOG!

PROCEED AS PLANNED. EXCELLENT.

PROTECT ANY TANKS FROM BEING POISONED BY THE TERRORIST ELEMENTS. GET FUNDING FROM THE EPA

PROTECT DRINKING WATER ALL THE REST IS NONSENCE DON'T WASTE TAX PAYERS \$\$

PROVIDE CUSTOMERS W/FREE ON-SITE/IN-HOME WATER FILTRATION SYSTEMS.

Public safety should be the most important factor in these requirements. Paintings fade over time and end up looking shabby. The cost of keeping them fresh will just add more expense. Everyone against this should be reminded that a reservoir is just that, a reservoir, not a pretty lake or body of water for the pleasure of a few residents.

Pump the treated water into above ground tanks and make the Levine Reservoir available for recreation (sailing, fishing, electric motor boats) and create a beach area where people can sun and swim.

PUMP WATER UNTREATED RESERVOIR AND TREAT IT BEFORE IT IS INTRODUCED INTO THE WATER LINES .

PUT IN THE TANKS AT THE LEVINE RESERVIOR . LATER PUT IN THE MURAL ( SCHOOL PROJECT) THANKYOU.

PVWC has all the answers. They've should of taken care of this at their cost. As it is we are bugged down with the high cost of living in this area. PVWC knew it had to be done. PVWC employees make plenty of money and so does the water company.

PVWC HAS CONTINUALLY RAISED WATER FEES WHILE NOT IMPROVING WATER QUALITY. WE NOT ONLY PAY WATER FEES, BUT WE ARE FORCED TO TREAT OUR OWN WATER BEFORE DRINKING IT OR BUY BOTTLED WATER, WHICH MAY OR MAY NOT BE ANY BETTER. ALL OF THIS ALREADY INCREASED THE COST OF DRINKING WATER AND ENDANGERS OUR HEALTH. SOMETHING SHOULD BE DONE ABOUT THIS SO THAT WE, THE CUSTOMERS MAY HAVE GOOD WATER AT LESS COST.

PVWC has delayed far too long in implementing EPA's LT2 rule (and is very fortunate not to have been sued already). Stop putting our health at risk and OBEY EPA'S LT2 RULE NOW!!!!

PVWC has known about this requirement for almost 10 years and has had 10 years to financially prepare for it, so I don't understand why as a customer I will be burdened with the cost. According to your literature there are only 20 of the 750 open reservoirs left, and you have 3 of them- 15% of them! PVWC has obviously acted irresponsibly all these years and now you are asking us to take this phony survey as a way to prepare us for huge price increases!! Shame on you!

PVWC HAS SUPPLIED US WATER FOR OVER 21 YEARS AND HAS ALWAYS BEEN A PROBLEM.FIX THE PROBLEM NOW PLEASE .

PVWC is a very inept, political commission. It is apparent this has been badly (mis)handled! PVWC doesn't care about its customers!! At all! It is obvious by this problem and the bad attitude of the employees!

PVWC is an incompetent group. Please care about the customer not yourselves! You spend too much \$ and you have an entitled attitude!

PVWC IS RIDDLED WITH CORRUPTION AND THE CONSUMERS END PAYING FOR IT. PVWC KNEW THE WATER WAS CONTAMINATED AND THEY IGNORED FOR YEARS PUBLIC OUT CRY. WATER IS A GOD GIVEN RESOURCE THAT PVWC

HAS RAPED THE PUBLIC WITH CHARGING AND RAISING RATES WHILE THE FAT CATS AT PWWC THRIVE. PWWC SCREWED UP .. STOP RAPING THE PUBLIC..

PWWC SHOULD TAKE ANY MEASURE NECESSARY TO ENSURE THE SAFE DELIVERY OF PURE WATER TO THOSE OF US WHO PAY EACH YEAR FOR MANY YEARS TO INSURE THAT THIS IS THE CASE. WE SHOULD NOT BE BURDENED WITH ADDITIONAL FINANCIAL HARDSHIP FOR PROVIDING WHAT WE ASSUMED WE WERE RECEIVING ALL ALONG. NOW I KNOW WHY MY WATER REEKS OF CHLORINE AND MY TOILET WATER SMELLS LIKE VOMIT.

Q12 Sounds good. The question is the cost. We need clean water that we can drink safely, currently we are drinking only bottled water. The cost should be driving factors for all the other enhancements.

Q6 is poorly written and results in a choice slanted in approval of tanks. This survey is biased in favor of the tank construction and reflects badly on PWWC!

Q9,10,11: ARE NOT COST EFFECTIVE, LONG TERM SOLUTIONS FOR ME. -PASSAIC RIVER COULD BE AN ALTERNATIVE SOLUTION; AFTER A BANKS MAINTENANCE AND SEDIMENTS CLEAN UP. COST OF ACTIVATE A TREATMENT PLANT IN THAT RIVER SOULD BE LOWER THA ACTUALLY PROPOSED, PLUSE ADDITIONAL BENEFITS OF CLEAN WATER AVAILABLE THROUGHOUT THE YEAR AND SIGNIFICANT REDUCTION OF FLOODS...

Question 9 Why not treat water only once before pipping out to customers.

QUESTIONS: THE COSTS NAMED ON Q'S 9,10,11 ARE LISTED BUT NO WHERE DO I FIND IF THESE ARE ONE TIME, ANNUAL OR HEAVEN FORBID MONTHLY. I USE AN EXPENSIVE FILTER AS I WILL NOT DRINK THE WATER COMING INTO MY HOME. MY NEWISH REFRID. ALSO HAS QUALITY FILTER FOR BOTH ICE AND WATER. I THINK EVERYONE KNOWS THE WATER IS NOT SAFE.

RE ROUTE THE PIPING FROM THE RESERVOIR TO THE TREATMENT PLANT THEN INTO THE TREAMENT PLANT TO THE FAUCET AND UPDATE THE PUMPING SYSTEM.

Recommend that you nice folks do like the Round Valley reservoir in Lebanon, NJ in Hunterdon County, with a park including a beach pavilion and full recreational facilities. We cannot overlook our national historical and cultural heritage as man could not possibly exist without the existence of water! The Hunterdon facility is an excellent model for this suggested project.

Reduce the Canada Goose population to reasonable numbers. They are a blight on the towns, with our public areas canvassed in droppings, and they are often hostile to pedestrians or disruptive to traffic. The numbers of these geese have been increasing drastically every year and reducing the population would go a long way to making safer drinking water as well as resolving other sanitary issues.

Regarding question #10, pretreatment or tanks would seem the best alternatives. Additionally, working in the landscaping industry, I cannot even comprehend how some trees spruces could cost \$250,000 as well as painting the tanks which looks gaudy. In regards to question #12, all 6 proposals are a complete waste of money.

REGARDLESS OF HISTORIC DISTRICTS OR PLEASING TO THE EYE ISSUES, WE NEED SAFE WATER AND WITH THAT FOR OUR ECONOMY AND COUNTRY TO GO FORWARD WE NEED TO DEVELOP FOR THE FUTURE NOT WORRY WHAT WAS IN THAT DISTRICT WHENEVER.

Regardless of the EPA rule, it's a public health issue. It has to be remediated as soon as possible. Further delay may also result in EPA penalty and fines, which will make the cost even higher. In terms of the cost per household, considering the cost people are paying already to treat their water at home on an on-going basis, a one-time cost of \$100-200 is justifiable.



RELOCATE THE WATER TREATMENT PLANT TO PROCESS THE WATER AFTER THE RESERVOIR OR CHANGE THE WATER IN-TAKE FROM THE PASSAIC RIVER TO THE LIVINE RESERVOIR. THEN AFTER THE WATER IS TREATED SEND IT TO THE CUSTOMER.

REPEAL ANYTHING BY THE EPA. THEY SHOULD HAVE OUT BEST INTEREST BUT THEY DON'T. THEY WANT TO FORCE US TO PAY. I'M AGAINST ANY MANDATORY INCREASES. MY WALLET IS ALREADY EMPTY.

REQUEST RESEARCH RESULTS FROM EPA WHICH SHOW THAT ILLNESSES IN RESIDENTIAL OF PASSAIC COUNTY RESULTED FRM DRINKING WATER FROM LEVINE RESERVE

Require the EPA pay for these requirements itself instead of increasing the amount that the residents must pay.

Retreat the water.

RETREATMENT IS THE BEST OPTION WATER FROM TANKS IS NOT ALWAYS GOOD.

Right now I am a bit concerned that all the added cost to pay for these upgrades are coming from customers, what about pay reductions? I have seen the pay scale for those that work for Passaic Water company and I believe they are highly over compensated for doing nothing. I am tired as a customer to always have to be the one absorbing the cost of upgrades. Ridiculous and very immoral in my opinion. It is very disgusting to know that all these years we were using water that was stored in the open. God only knows what kind of bacteria we were all consuming, for those who drank the water. How can you store water that you are telling people to drink in the open where birds and animals can defecate in the water, or die in the water and you are sending it to people's house. Don't you think that is defeating the treatment process. Build a structure over the reservoir to cover up the water from animals and insects. That does not cost millions of dollars. If my water bill is increased more than 2%, I am done with Paterson and I know I will not be alone.

Right now I have a filter in my pitcher from the sink and also I use Poland Spring water delivery. Thank you all for being concerned about others.

Right now not too much comments, only I want the best decision, that you take for the well being of the clients of PVWC. Thank you, God Bless you!

SAFE CLEAN WATER IS THE PRIORITY!! SPENDING LEAST AMOUNT OF MONEY NATURALLY, IS PRIME CONSIDERATION. BECAUSE OF HEALTH RISKS, WORK SHOULD BE DONE ASAP.

SAFETY FIRST JUST BUILD THE TANK AS PROPOSED .AFTER IT IS DONE, CONDUCT ANOTHER SURVEY ABOUT THE POSSIBILITY OF A MURAL AND PLANTING.

SAFETY OF OUR COUNTY POPULATION SHOULD BE YOUR MOST IMPORTANT OBJECTIVE.

SCREW THE EPA-THEY ARE BUNCH OF WACKY LIBERAL SPENDERS IF THEY GET THERE WAY WE WILL END UP IN THE (ILLEGIBLE)

Sculpture tank that an artist/architect could design that is cost effective / green and preserves the historical nature of the the area. Artist could possible design pro-bono or less fees but with recognition. Explore commercial possibilities as part of the tank construction such as restaurants, recreational facilities to be able to obtain concessionaires to support future maintenance and costs. This will also create more awareness and enable sustainability of maintenance.

SECURITY AROUND THE CLOCK ANIMAL CONTROL .

SECURITY IS THE MOST IMPORTANT ISSUE WITH WATER . WE HAVE MUSLIN POPULATION THAT HAVE IN MIND TO DESTROY U.S.A.

SEEK CONTRABUTIONS FROM NURSERIES IN THE SERVICE AREA, FOR FAST GROWING ARBORVITAES OR CYPRESS TREES .THE ESTIMATE FOR \$200,000 FOR PLANTING IS REDICULOUS. PERHAPS LOCAL SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS WOULD WILLING TO VOLUNTEER TO PLAMT TREES ELIMINATING LABOR COSTS.

SELL BONDS TO FUND PROJECT.

Sell bottled water!

SELL RIGHTS BACK TO TOWN-GO BACK TO THE WAY IT WAS BEFORE PVWC CAME IN. EVERYTHING WAS FINE BEFORE PVWC TOOK OVER.

send more information

Send water from reservoir back to treatment plant then to my faucet.

SERIOUSLY \$200,000 FOR CAMO . JUST PAINT GREEN AND PUT SHRUBS AROUND IT.

Shade balls in all three reservoirs. They are used in California. They are a safe and cost effective alternative.

<http://www.npr.org/sections/thetwo-way/2015/08/11/431670483/la-rolls-out-water-saving-shade-balls>

<http://www.bloomberg.com/news/articles/2015-08-11/who-s-behind-the-96-million-shade-balls-they-just-rolled-into-l-a-s-reservoirs->

SHOULD BE BLOCKED FROM THE COMMUNITY.

SIMPLY IMPLANT THE TANKS ON LOW COST FOR CUSTOMERS AND STOP INVESTING TOO MUCH AGAINST RESIDENTS POCKETS. EXTRA CHARGES FOR NO REASON. MAKE IT SIMPLE WITH LOW COSTS AND EFFICIENT 100%

SINCE COMPLIANCE WITH THE EPA LT2 RULE IS NECESSARY AND MANDATORY I FEEL OU MUST PROCEED BY KEEPING THE COSTS TO THE CUSTOMERS AS LOW AS POSSIBLE. WATER BILLS ARE ALREADY TOO HIGH IN MOST CASES. THANK YOU

Since I have never visited the Levine Reservoir, I have go opinions about any alternatives that may help you at this time. Hopefully I can visit the site in the near future.

SINCE I'M ON THE WAY TO 90 IN LESS HAN 4 MONTHS FROM NOW IT'S NOT EASY TO MAKE SUGGESTIONS WHICH WILL AFFECT THE CHILDREN OF TODAY GROWING UP-IN MY SUMMATION I TRIED TO THINK ABOUT THEIR FUTURE. I'M ON R.N. AND HAVE ENJOYED LIVING IN CLIFTON-SINCE 1984.

SINCE IT DOESN'T SOUND LIKE PVWC HAS A CHOICE (IF TRUE) THEN EPA SHOULD GIVE THE 12 HOUSES AFFECTED BY THE VIEW THEIR PERSONAL CHOICE OF ANOTHER LOCATION @ NO COST OF THEM OR US. CREATE THE HOLDING TANK AS PLANNED, HIRE LOCAL ARTISTS @ A FRACTION OF THE PRICE TO PAINT MURALS ON IT. TAKE THE AREA WHERE THE 12 HOMES WERE AND MAKE IT A NATURE RESERVE.

Since the EPA was responsible for polluting a river in Colorado, we don't trust anything they recommend. I have no idea who runs that agency or what they know/don't know. I worry about problems like Legionnaires' disease in a closed water tank. Most people drink bottled water anyway so this directive is surprising. The water should be treated as it leaves the reservoir before reaching our homes. Or give us a filter for our home faucets. This all sounds like a big waste of money.

SINCE THE LIVINE RESERVOIR WAS NOT PART OF THE HISTORICAL INDUSTRIES AND JUST FALLS WITHIN THE GEOGRAPHY OF A DECLARED HISTORICAL SITE, IT SHOLD BE OMITTED FROM THIS HISTORICAL DESIGNATION. COVER THE RESERVOIR IN THE MOST COST EFFECTIVE MANNOR AND PROTECT THE PEOPLE'S WATER SUPPLY.

Since the major issue is due to airborne contaminants, droppings from animals, then the simple and most practical solution would be to build a tank that will store the already treated water.

Since the majority of the population now drink bottled water and since there has been no significant outbreak of any illness from the current system, WHY do this

SINCE THIS IS BEING MANDATED BY THE EPA, ARE THERE ANY GRANTS OR LOW-COST LOANS AVAILABLE TO COMPLY? USING A PORTION OF THE RESERVOIR FOR RECREATION MAY BRING IN REVENUES AS A SMALL FEE CAN BE CHARGED FOR IT'S USE.

SINCE WATER IS A VITAL IMPORTANCE TO HUMANS AND MOST PEOPLE BUYING BOTTLED WATER BECAUSE THE WATER IS UNSAFE TO DRINK ,PWVC NEEDS TO DO WHAT IT NEEDS TO DO. PREVENT FURTHER DIEASES AND BACTERIA FROM ENTERING OUR HOMES. IF IT REQUIRES A TANK TO FILTER IT DOES.

SINCE WE NEVER HAD ANY ISSUE WITH CONTAMINATION BEFORE , WE SHOULD JUST DO THE MINIMAL THAT IS REQUIRED ,IF ANYTHING , TO COMPLY WITH EPA LT2 RULE. WE SHOULD APPLY FOR GRANTS FROM THE STATE. PASSAIC HAS FINANCIAL HARDSHIPS AND SHOULD NOT BE FERRED INTO HAVING TO PAY MORE \$ WE DO NOT HAVE THAT HAS BEEN A PROBLEM TILL NOW. I THINK THIS IS A MONEY MAKING SCAM FOR SOME PRIVATE INTEREST.

SIRS, IFIND IT SELFISH TO BEND THE WISHS OF A FEW .RESIDENTS TO SACRAFICE THE WATER QUALITY OF MANY THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE IN AREA BUILD THE TANKS.

So the EPA cares about pathogens and such in our water but it's heavily chlorinated anyway. Did they forget about the high levels of lead, VOC's and other contaminates in our drinking water? Is this EPA Rule going to take care of that or is our water still going to be undrinkable after the instillation???

SOME HOW PEOPLE GOT SHOCK FROM THE COST OF YOUR PROPOSED .WHY DON'T ENVITE THE PEOPLE TO VOLUNTARY NTO SOME PLANTING SO DON'T COST ANYTHING AND EVERY BODY HAPPY

Some one gets sick in 1993 and we now have to do something about our water so we don't get sick? Just test it after it's been treated. No need to go nuts building tanks and more storage just because the epa says all of the sudden we have to do it because in 93 people got sick. Where was the epa in from 93 till now? Sleeping. Give me a break.A simple solution. Just tell people to boil there water or use filters on there home faucets.Problem solved. Spores are hard to destroy.I know this but that sounds all lot better than hiking rates just to be super safe and build something we really don't need. epa please stop sticking your nose in where it doesn't belong. 1. retest after being treated at random to make sure water is safe.If a duck or some other bird poops in it.They can't help that lol. 2. tell people to use filters high end brand name that filter out all the bad stuff. 3. problem solved Thanks.

Sometimes you have to leave it simple, just treat the water before it goes to the public. Shield the tanks water would have problems too, just like if you leave a water bottle in the heat too long. Even if the water was in the tanks I would still like to have it treated before I drink it.

Sounds as if you have already done all your homework on this! Let's keep our drinking water safe! Thank you!

SPRAY TANKS WITH A PROTECTIVE FINISH TO REFLECT THE WATER AND SURROUNDING AREAS INSTEAD OF PLAIN GRAY PAINT

Stand up to the bureaucratic EPA and build NO tanks.

STILL DON'T SEE WHY IT SHOULD CHANGE THERE HASN'T BEEN HEALTH ISSUES DUE TO OPEN RESERVOIRS IT'S JUST ANOTHER EXCUSE TO EXTORT MORE \$\$ FROM CONSUMERS. I'M THINKING OF GETTING MY OWN WELL.

still trying to get my head around why treated water is stored in an open reservoir.. we already pay high water rates so it's extremely disturbing to know that our water not only is more vulnerable to disease but it's also high in lead content.. what improvements have been made over the years to account for these high rates??

Stop d\*\*\*ing around and get the d\*\*\* job done--correctly the first time, one eye on corruption through the project.

Stop Increasing the Water Rates. All you do every year is raise them 4.5% to 5% every year. Pay for your own Medical Benefits, Stop giving the high end raises to all of your Office people & High end people.

STOP SPENDING MONEY ON THINGS THAT CAN BE DONE OTHERWISE-DON'T WANT ANY MORE HIGHER BILLS.

STOP STEALING OUR MONEY. THESE COSTS SHOULD BE COVERED BY OUR EXORBITANT AND CRIMINAL TAXES. MY BILLS KEEP GOING UP AND SO DO YOUR SALARIES. SHAME SHAME SHAME. AND I NEED TO PAY FOR THE STAMP TO SEND THIS JUNK BACK TO YOU

STOP THE NONSENSE

STOP THIS NONSENSE, WATER IS A GIFT FROM GOD-WE SHOULDN'T HAVE TO PAY FOR IT-LEAVE IT ALONE I HAVE BEEN DRINKING WATER FOR 65 YEARS. I AM STILL ALIVE. STOP GIVING HUGE RAISES AND BENEFITS TO COMMISSIONERS.

Store in natural reservoir and treat as needed when using - not before That's stupid. It's been fine all along for years why change now - not necessary - all political = 4 \$

store treated water in small tanks sufficient for shorter durations than already considered and then treat water from river to replenish small tank more frequently. In other words - Reduce batch size and increase frequency. This concept has been tried and tested elsewhere. For more information

Store untreated water at the reservoir, and treat it as it is used.

STORE UNTREATED WATER IN RESERVOIR THEN TREAT UPON SENDING TO TAP NO TANK REQUIRED!

STORE WATER AS USUAL. TREAT IT BEFORE GOES TO THE PUBLIC. IT SHOULD HAVE NEVER BEEN DONE THIS WAY FROM THE GET GO. YOU PROVIDE POSTAGE.

STORE WATER IN RESERVOIR UNTREATED; CHANGE PIPING TO TREAT WATER UPON RELEASE COST? USE SAME FOOTPRINT.

SUBMERGE TANKS IF THEY ARE MANDATED WITHIN EXISTING RESERVOIR

Submerge the tank.

SUE THE EPA . THIS IS A STATE ISSUE NOT THE EPA. MOST PEOPLE DON'T LIKE THE TASTE OF THE WATER ANYWAY AND DRINK BOTTLED WATER.

SURPRISED TO HEAR THE TREATED WATER IS STORED IN THE OPEN

Take a loss in profits this one time, instead of passing your future operating costs on to your customers

TAKE THE EPA TO COURT AS THEY WERE NEVER ELECTED AND CAUSE MORE HARM AND EXPENSE THAN THEY DO GOOD.

TAKE WATER FROM RESERVOIR SEND IT TO TREATMENT PLANT THERE SEND TO HOMES PURIFIED THIS IS MOST COMMON SENSE AND COST EFFECTIVE THE PROCESS IS THE WAY TO GO YOU MAY NOT LIKE THAT OPTION.

TANK AS PROPOSED IS VERY PLEASING NO NEED TO DO ANYTHING TO IT.

Tank at no cost!!!

TANK ONLY NOTHING ELSE.

tanks are the only reasonable safe option in my opinion. No matter what the cost will be consumers would have to pay out of their pocket. Hopefully, only fair cost of water would be charged to consumers and nobody working on this project should try to make any money out of it.

TANKS BUT PARTIALLY BURIED OR LOWERED INTO THE GROUND SO THEY ARE NOT AS VISIBLE. THEN PAINTED AND HIDDEN BY PLANTS AND TREES.

TANKS UNDERGROUND MIGHT BE A BETTER ALTERNATIVE DESIGN THAT MAINTAINS THE NICE VIEW OF THE RESERVOIR AND TAKES OUT THE COST OF PAINTING AND PLANTING.

TANKS WILL ONLY COST MONEY AND RUIN SCENIC OPEN AREA. DO NOT TANK PRESERVE OPEN SPACES.

Tanks with murals should mesh with environment during the seasons. Any plantings will not effectively hide the tanks during the seasons.

TANKS PROPOSED IN PICTURE.

Taxes in Passaic County, specifically Paterson, are high enough. People will move and so will businesses and tax burden will fall on the balance of customers.

TELL EPA TO GO TO HELL

TELL PEOPLE TO BUY BOTTLED FOR DRINKING AND PWWC WARER FOR BATHING .STOP WASTING MY MONEY

Tell the EPA to go to hell and fight, fight, fight. When a new administration is elected in 2016 sanity will prevail. Also ask Bill Pascrell to get off his backside and fight this like a badger in a barrel. His political career hangs in the balance. Thank you

THANK YOU

Thank you

THANK YOU FOR INCLUDING YOUR CUSTOMERS AND KEEPING THEM INFORMED AND ALLOWING THEM IMPUT

Thank you for keeping me informed.

Thank you for providing transparency in this matter. please make the best decision for all of our residents. please also treat the people of paterson, whom any future projects will directly impact with regards, respect and concern as you would any other community.

THANK YOU FOR TAKING CARE OF THIS MATTER AND KEEPING US AND OUR FAMILY SAFE

THANK YOU FOR THE EXELLENT SURVEY.

Thank you for the great work.

Thank you for the information provided and the opportunity to have a voice in the Levine Reservoir issue.

THANK YOU FOR THE INFORMATION.

Thank you for the opportunity to express my opinions. I never knew that water is stored in an open area after treatment. I am very grateful that this is being mandated to change for public safety. I don't really understand how PWWC has 'gotten away with' handling our water in this manner up to now.

Thank you for working to improve our water. The wording of this survey was very biased and guiding. Please do not use tax \$ for aesthetics when impacts so few and such a costly project to begin with!

thankful that you are giving the residents a choice. BUT WE ARE NOT EDUCATED WELL ENOUGH ON THIS TOPIC. WOULD BE GOOD FOR US TO HAVE INFORMATION ON WHAT OTHER TOWNS HAVE DONE IN THIS SITUATION.

THANKS FOR PROVIDING THIS GREAT INFO

THANKS FOR SENDING THIS OUT TO PWWC CUSTOMERS. KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK.

Thanks for the survey. It was a good idea to send it. Hopefully whatever approach is considered will improve the taste of the water which is pretty much undrinkable.



THANKYOU FOR ASKING ABOUT HOW WE THINK AND FEEL ABOUT HAVING SAFE WATER. IT WOULD HAVE NICE IF THE ENVELOPE WAAS NO POSTAGE NEEDED .

THANKYOU FOR GIVING US THE OPPORTUNITY TO EXPRESS OUR OPINION.

That mural idea is brilliant! An incredible way to appreciate local environment and artisans.

THE ADVICE FROM AN ENVIRONMENTAL EXPERT AND A NATIVE OF NEW JERSEY IS TO FOLLOW THE SOLUTION USED IN CA. THEY USE TREATED BASEBALL SIZE PLASTIC BALLS WHICH COVER THE ENTIRE RESERVOIR AND SERVES AS PROTECTION FROM EVAPORATION AND CONTAMINATION FROM POLLUTION. SOME USE COLORED BALLS/ARTISTIC THAT ARE PHOTO GRAPHED AND SOLD AS POST CARDS TO MAKE A PROFIT

THE BEAUTIFICATION OF THE SITE IS NOT AS IMPORTANT AS SAVING OUR DRINKING WATER IN ITS PUREST FORM .PEOPLE WHO WOYY ABOUT THE LOOK , SHOULD WORRY MORE ABOUT THE DANGER OF RUNNING OUT OF CLEAN WATER . BESIDES IT LOOKS FINE . THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONCERN ABOUT MY OPINION . GOD BLESS THE USA FREEDOM OF CHOICE

THE BOTTOM LINE SHOULD ALWAYS BE THE CLEANEST WATER POSSIBLE AGT THE LEAST POSSIBLE COSTS TO EVERYONE. ASTETHICS SHOULD BE SECONDARY IF HEALTH IS THE MAIN ISSUE.

THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES HAS EMPLOYED PLASTIC/RUBBER BALLS TO COVER IT RESERVOIR IN COMPLIANCE WITH LTZ. COSTS LOWER, NO UNSIGHTLY TANKS, NO CONSTRUCTION IN THE RESERVOIR OR SURROUNDING AREA. SOESN'T APPEAR THAT THIS METHOD HAS BEEN CONSIDERED, IF NOT, WHY NOT?

THE CITY OF PATERSON AS IT NOW EXISTS IS MORE O A DISASTER SITE THAN AN HISTORICAL ONE. THE MORE COST EFFECTIVE METHOD OF DEALING WITH THE ONEROUS EPA INTRUSION INTO OUR LIVES WORKS FOR ME. THE ENVIRONMENTALISTS CAN HAVE THE GAMETT AFTER PRESERVE AS A PARK AND HIKING TRAIL. OUR TAXES AND FEES ARE HIGH ENOUGH.

The cost mentioned of \$129 per customer for storage tanks, I'm assuming this is annually, is this taking into account EPA's grants? If not, I suggest this cost to be review after EPA's grants. Thanks.

The cost of providing clean safe drinking water to all customers should be kept to a minimal expense. Consider the fact that we have a aging older population that no longer can afford to live in this part of the country. Most of us are on a fixed or set income. Ask yourself, do we really need to spend extra money just to make 12 home owners happy?

THE COST PER CUSTOMER SHOULD BE BASED ON THE USE AND NOT FLAT \$129 PER CUSTOMER. HISTORIC USAGE DATA CAN BE USED AND SHOULD BE ONE TIME CHARGE.

THE CURRENT SYSTEM HAS WORKED EFFICIENTLY FOR MANY YEARS. WE DO NOT SEE ANY REASON TO DISTURB IT, WHILE PASSING UNNECESSARY COST ONTO THE CUSTOMERS. WE DRINK AND COOK WITH THE WATER WITHOUT HAVING BEEN WARNED TO DO OTHERWISE.

The design of the storage tanks

THE DICISIONS AS TO HOW TO FIX THE PROBLEM SHOULD BE LEFT TO THE EXPERTS WHO WORK WITH WATER SAFETY AND NOT LET THE POLITICIANS.

The drinking of safe clean water is a right in any modern society. This should be guaranteed in our community regardless of cost. Please do what must be done to insure our right to usable safe water. Thank You.

THE END RESULT SHOULD BE CLEAN SAFE DRINKING WATER .IF THE TANK IS LOCATED IN A HISTORIC DISTRICT SITE PRESEVATION OF THE AREA SHOULD BE CONSIDERED . BUILD SOMETHING THAT OFFERS BOTH OPTIONS.

The entire issue of water supply to residents and businesses should be evaluated. The PWWC should explore the possibility of supplying non-drinking water only. The majority of people currently use commercial drinking water such as Poland Springs, Aquafina, etc. for drinking consumption. Water for washing clothes; watering lawns; washing cars; flushing toilets; washing dishes, etc. should not have to go through extensive purification and costs. As the population grows, we must protect drinking water but not non-drinking water. Maybe the simple alternative is for drinking water to be something that the population should be responsible for by purchasing purified water; having residential rentals owners and condo associations be responsible for local/in-house purification systems for drinking water supply . The future costs that will be incurred for security; storage; processing plants; legal fees; etc. will be uncontrollable and a big cost burden to every person in the entire state. If you think sensibly about the projection of future population growth, you have few costs controlling ways other than the one that I have suggested. The PWWC should only supply non-drinkable water to the homes and commercial properties. The entire structures for water tank storage; inside/outside storage; the multitude of ever growing legal rules, fees and regulations would dissipate rapidly and the overall costs to the consumer would drop dramatically.

THE EPA HAD TO TELL YOU THAT OPEN WATER COULD ATTRACT BACTERIA ! YOU ARE IDIOTS? MY SUGGESTION IS TO STOP THE NEPOTISM AND TURN OVER THE PWWC TO A MORE RESPONSIBLE AUTHORITY.

The EPA is always out to make money some way or another.

THE EPA IS ORDING IT THEN CONGRESS SHOULD ALLOCATE THE FUNDING. NJ TAX RATE IS ONE OF THE HIGHEST IN THE NATION WHAT ARE OUR CONGRESSMAN DOING TO DEFRAY THE COST. I ALSO THINK IF YOU WANY A BETTER RESPONSE PAYED POSTAGE WOULD HAVE NICE.

THE EPA LT2 IS DESIGNED TO NELIMINATE SOURES OF CONTAMINATION NATURAL OR MAN MADE THERE FORE WHY WOULD YOU PROPOSE A HIKING PATH OR SCENIC LAKE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC .THIS AREA SHOULD BE TIGHTLY SECURED.

THE EPA SHOULD BE ELIMINETED THEY HAVE NO BUSINESS MEDDLING IN LIVES AND OUR FINANCES. THIS BEING SAID, WE CAN'T THINK OF MANY ALTERNATIVES MOST COST EFFECTIVE WOULD BE BEST. Q11 IS OUR BEST CHOICE. WE PAY ENOUGH FOR WATER AND DON'T WANT ADDITIONAL COSTS.

THE EPA SOMETIMES OVER STEPS ITS AUTHORITY . FOR MILLIONS OF YEARS PEOPLE HAVE BEEN DRINKING WATER FROM OPEN RESERVOIRS. I DON'T BELIEVE WE HAVE EXPERIENCED THE 1993 MILWAUKEE EXPERIENCE IN THIS AREA' I AN AGAINST ANY CHANGE BEING MADE. IF WE MUST MAKE A CHANGE LET BE THE CHEAPEST WAY.

THE EPA'S LT2 RULE IS DRACONIAN AND ABSURD. IT IS OVER KILL AND A WASTE OF TAX DOLLARS. MOST WATER IS NOT USED FOR DRINKING. WASHING CLOTHES/DISHES, BATHING DOES NOT NEED MICROBIAL PURE WATER. IF SOMEONE IS IMMUND SURPRESSED THEY CAN INSTALL A MICROBIAL FILTER OR THEIR FAUCET. OR USE TAX DOLLARS TO BUY FAULT FILTERS FOR NEEDY. A HELL OF A LOT CHEAPER.

THE GEESE ARE GETTING WORSE HERE IN NORTH JERSEY. WE HAVE BEEN DRINKING THIS WATER FOR YEARS AND THE PRICE WENT UP DRASTICALLY. NO REPAIRS BEFORE THE PRESENT SITUATION.NOW EVEN HIGHER PRICES. WHAT GIVES?

THE GRANDCHILDREN AND GREAT GRANDCHILDREN ARE THE ONES BEING AFFECTED BY THE SITUATION MY AGE IS 94 .I DRANK A LOT OF WATER PENNA. HAS THE BEST WATER. SORRY I'M NOT MUCH HELP.

THE HISTORIC DISTREST IS A DUMP POPULATED BY HOME LESS PEOPLE. I DO NOT WANT TO INCUR ANY ADDITIONAL EXPENSES ON THAT AREA.

THE HISTORIC DISTRICT IS A JOKE . BUILD WHATEVER WORKS BEST.

THE LAST TIME WE WERE AT THE PATERSON FALLS HISTORIC GROUNDS-NOT OPEN-WE PARKED IN NEW LOT TO WALK OVER TO THE ONLY VIEW TO SEE FALLS. WE WERE DISGUSTED B ALL THE TRASH AND UNRULY APPEARANCE THERE WAS. HOW WOME OF THESE PEOPLE VISIT COULD ONLY CONFIRM THE SOLUTION TO ENCLOSE THE WATER SUPPLY, MAYBE GIVE THEM A PATH BECAUSE IF THEY REALLY CARED THEY WOULD DUMP

THE LESS PEOPLE ALLOWED AROUND THE RESERVOIR THE BETTER CLEAN WATER. I DO LIKE THE IDEA OF TREES AND PLANTS BUT ONLY IF THE COST TO PEOPLE DOESN'T BECOME A HARDSHIP.

The Levine Reservoir has provided potable water for the area for a long time with no ill effects that I am aware of. However, being aware of the world today and the ability of someone to poison the reservoir I certainly think a secure and protected enclosure is appropriate. It would also shield the public from animal waste that could effect their health.

THE LEVINE RESERVOIR WAS THIS LONG BEFORE THE AJACENT AREA WAS DESIGNATED A NATIONAL PARK . LET THE PATERSON RESIDENTS FOOT THE BILL. ONLY LOCALS WILL USE OR CARE ABOUT , ESPECIALLY SINCE OUT OF TOWNERS ALREADY PAY A HIGHER RATE.

The LT2 rule is another example of Big Brother/Big Government pushing its' weight around. Cut the salaries/benefits of the Executive Director/Commissioners to share in any costs. Cut Yitz Weiss' salary, also. The PVWC raises water rates EVERY JANUARY (4.5% for 1-1-16!) Rater should not exceed 2% increases. Past rate increases should be sufficient. Quoting the Milwaukee situation in this survey gives the impression that this survey is bogus.

THE MAIN CONCERN I HAVE IS TO HAVE BETTER WATER FOR A BETTER LIFE.

THE MAIN SITUATION IS TO KEEP THE WATER SAFE FROM DESEASE CAUSING MICROORGANANISMS AND KEEP COST DOWN.

The most important about this issue is to preserve this historic district surroundings. Make sure water is justified and safe for consumer (users) come up with any alternatives that will help us to minimize the costs by using the existing reservoir locations and resources we already have.

THE MOST IMPORTANT IN THIS CASE IS THE DRINKING WAER STORED MUST BE SAE AND HEALTHY FOR OUR AND THE FUTURE GENERATION

THE MOST IMPORTANT ISSUE IS CLEAN DRINKING WATER THAT IS SAFELY STORED AND SECURED.

THE MOST IMPORTANT ISSUE IS CLEAN HEALTH DRINKING WATER FOR ALL, INCLUDING BIRDS, PLANT, TREES AND ANIMAL THAT MAY BE ATTRACTED

THE MOST IMPORTANT THING HERE IS OUR HEALTH. I HAVE TO BUY BOTTLED WATER FOR COOKING AND DRINKING. ONCE I MADE COFFEE WITH THE TAP WATER AND TASTED TERRIBLE. I HAD TO THROW THE COFFEE OUT I DON'T LIKE BOILED WATER. SO UNTIL YOU PEOPLE MAKE YOUR MINDS AS WHAT TO DO , I,LL HAVE TO KEEP BUYING WATER.

The only point I want to add is once you've decided which option you're going with, when you're ready to bill us (your consumers) perhaps if you could give us an option that we spread out payments, instead of one lump sum, as for some of us, myself included, it's difficult to pay it all at once. Thank you.

THE ONLY THING I,M WORRIED ABOUT IN THE FUTURE IS THE IS ANY CHANGE THAT YOU MAKE TODAY WILL AFFECT THE PRICE OF WATER. I DON'T WANT THE WATER PRICES UP TO THE SKY . WE ARE MIDDLE CLASS WORKERS AND STILL WATERS A NICESSITY .

THE ONLY THING THAT I CAN TELL YOU IS THAT I LIVE IN A GARDEN APARTMENT AND I DON'T HAVE ANY COMPLAINTS ABOUT THE WATER I USE. MY PRIMARY WATER USAGE IS TO SHOWER. I (ALWAYS) BUY MY COOKING AND DRINKING WATER. THIS PROPOSAL FROM THE EPA COULD AFFECT HOW I PAY MY RENT AND IM ON A FIXED INCOME.

The only thing you should be considering is complying with the requirements of the EPA LT2 Rule at the lowest or no cost to residents!!!

THE PASSIACVALLEY WATER COMMISSION WHAT A JOKE.

The pipes are probably very old and rusty anyway. The water goes through those pipes anyway, so the water is still not great.

THE PLANTINGS WOULD HAVE TO BE DEER RESISTENT IF SOME WATER BODY WAS LEFT NEAR THE TANK SO IT APPEARS AND WOULD BE SERINE.

The problem is this stupid dumb-a\*\* rule. These reservoirs have been in place for the last (minimum) 75 years. It wasn't a problem then and its not a problem now. No reservoirs should be drained. No tanks should be built. Do Nothing - is the only option. By the way, the premise of this survey is completely wrong. That premise is that the rule is good, and here is what we want to do- here are your very bad choices. I believe that if you add a DO NOTHING option, the response would be 80/20 to do nothing. To spend \$140,000.00 for this to ask people how much more to spend on these ridiculous options is the definition of oxymoron. Do nothing.

The processed water is terrible at the tap. You occasional water tests show many are at max or near max levels. There is foul smelling from the tap, sometimes stronger than others. Buildup of calcium type deposits on faucets, shower heads, etc. Wash car and see the spots let it rain on car and the car is clean. I'm surprised the water hasn't killed the grass yet. Jersey City/Newark Watershed by far beats PVWC water.

The project costs itself should not prohibitive if you ever manage to keep operating costs to the minimum. Watch, you are going to create sub-committees, strange advisory board with numerous members. If ever people choose to serve on any board, they should be pro-bono, or pledge to fundraise money towards construction of the reservoir tanks. Anyway, why PVWC does not create any escrow account towards renovation or improvement projects? Business seems profitable, simply poorly managed.

THE PVWC IS NO LONGER A CREDIBLE ADMINISTRATIVE BODY. EVERYONE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR DOWN SHOULD RESIGN AND ALLOW THE EPA TO OPERATE OUR WATER SYSTEM.

The reservoir has been like this for many years and has never been a problem so why the need for a sudden change

THE RESERVOIR SERVICES MANY TYPES OF WILDLIFE IN THE AREA WHAT IS YOUR PLAN FOR THEM?

THE SAFER THE WATER THE BETTER. ALTHOUGH PATERSON IS VIEWED AS A LOWER INCOME COMMUNITY WE DESERVE HIGH QUALITY DRINKING WATER THAT ADHERES TO GUIDELINES.

THE SAFETY OF FRESH DRINKING WATER IS THE MOST IMPORTANT FACTOR. THIS PROBLEM HAS TO BE LEFT TO THOSE EXPERTS WHO DEAL WITH THESE PROBLEMS. KEEPING COSTS DOWN IS A CONCERN BUT THIS SHOULD NOT INTERFERE WITH THE SAFETY OF PRODUCING FRESH ASEPTIC DRINKING WATER.

THE SURVEY WAS GOOD, AND ANSWERED THE BEST WAY I COULD.

THE TANK SHOULD BE BUILT AT THE LOWER POSSIBLE PRICE, SO THE RATES TO THE RESIDENTIAL AND BUSINESS CUSTOMERS REMAIN AT THE LOWER POSSIBLE PRICE TOO. WE ALREADY PAY A LOT OF TAXES IN NEW JERSEY. FORGET ABOUT PARKS, MURALS, ETC. AROUND THE TANKS. FOR MANY YEARS PEOPLE ARE BUYING BOTTLE SPRING WATER SINCE OUR WATER WAS NOT THAT SAFE TO DRINK. MAKE IT SIMPLE AND COST EFFECTIVE FOR EVERYBODY.

THE TANK SHOWN IS OKAY. NICE ENOUGH AND THERE ARE WORSE EYE SORES AROUND CLIFTON WHICH WE ALL HAVE TO GET USED TO. ENOUGH CLIFTONITES HAVE HAD TO MOVE ALREADY OUT OF CLIFTON AND MORE WILL ALSO HAVE TO MOVE OUT AS OUR MONEY DOESN'T GET HIGHER WHEN ON A FIXED INCOME MANY HAVE ONLY PART-TIME JOBS AND SOME SEVERAL PART TIME ONES IN ORDER TO MAKE ENDS MEET THESE DAYS

THE TANKS WILL NEED MAINTENANCE FOR ALGAE BUILDUP & CLEANING OF LINIG/PURIFICATION. ALSO REPAINTING OF MURAL ON OCCASION AND MAINT OF SHRUBS/TREES AROUND IT. EVERYTHING WILL COST NO MATTER WHAT THE CHOICE. IF A RE-PURIFICATION OF STORED WATER REQUIRE LESS OVERALL MAINT COULD IT NOT BE USED FOR RECREATIONAL PURPOSES AND ALL THE OTHER ITEMS NOT NEEDED?

THE TAXPAYER PAYS AROUND 1200/YEAR FOR WATER. THAT IS UNDRINKABLE AND SWEAR LINE CHARGE TO HOUSE. AND IF IT BREAKS IT IS THE LANDLORDS PROBLEM WE DON'T NEED AN EXTRA EXPENSE IN THIS TIME OF DEPRESSION AND HIGH TAXES. EVERYONE BUYS SPRING WATER TO DRINK, ENOUGH IS ENOUGH! STOP!

THE THOUGHT OF ANIMAL WASTE GOING INTO OUR FINISHED WATER IS AWFUL. MUST BE PREVENTED. DON'T STOP THE TANKS. ALL OF THE CHOICES IN Q12 LOOK INTERESTING. I'D SUPPORT WHATEVER YOU PICK.

THE TOPS OF THE TANKS CAN BE USED AS A ASTRONOMICAL OBSERVATORY OR AN OPEN AIR SUMMER CONCERT AND OTHER ACTIVITIES

THE WATER IN OUR AREA ( MONTCLAIR HGTS. SECTION OF CLIFTON) HAS ALWAYS BEEN SUSPECT. I LIVED IN THE AREA FOR 25 YEARS. GIVEN THAT ONLY 12 RESIDENTIAL BLOKS. WILL BE ABLE TO SEE THE TANKS THEY SHOULD BE BUILT AS PROPOSED. CLEAN AND SECURE DRINKING WATER IS MORE IMPORTANT THEN THE VIEWS OF A FEW. BUILD THE TANKS..

The water must be healthy and safe, however, costs need to be considered. Bills are extremely high already.

THE WATER SET IS TOO SALTY. IS THERE ANYTHING CAN BE DONE? A FEW YEARS AGO AN INDIAN WOMAN WAS THROWN IN THE WATER TANK. I BELIEVE IT WAS A BIAS ACT. DO YOU HAVE ANY MEASURE TO PREVENT SUCH HEANIOUS CRIMES? SHE WAS MOTHER OF A FEW CHILDREN, IS IT NOT?

THE WATER SHOULD BE FILTERED AT THE NEAR END WHERE THE WATER IS READY TO BE USED BY THE PEOPLE OF PASSAIC COUNTY. MY NAME IS

THE WATER SHOULD BE TREATED AFTER IT LEAVES THE RESERVOIR NOT BEFORE. IT SHOULD NOT BE AVAILABLE TO PUBLIC ACCESS AT ALL. LIKE ALL OTHER RESERVOIRS IN THIS AREA IT SHOULD BE FENCED AND SECURED. AFTERALL GTHIS IS PUBLIC DRINKING WATER AND SHOULD BE SAFE FOR ALL TO DRINK AND TREATED PROPERLY. REVERSE YOUR PROCESS AND TREAT THE WATER AFTER IT LEAVES THE RESERVOIR, NO NEED FOR TANK.

THE WATER SHOULD BE TREATED AFTER THE RESERVOIR . FILTRATION THOUGH UV AND POST TREAT WITH WITH CLORINE.

The water should go directly from the river (pretreatment) into the reservoir. From the river to the already built treatment plant then directly to the customer. There is no reason to treat the water two times and no reason why the reservoir (lake) should have treated water. Thank you.

THE WATER YOU CURRENTLY SUPPLY IS NOT SAFE TO DRINK. I HAVE HAD TO BUY BOTTLED WATER (EVEN FOR MY PETS) AT A COST OF \$365 PER YEAR. SINCE WE CAN'T DRINK THE WATER; I HAVE TO GO BUY IT, STORE EMPTY CONTAINERS, AND THEN RECYCLE THEM. I WOULD RATHER HAVE SAFE DRINKING WAER FOR ADDITIONAL \$129 PER YEAR (SAVE MONEY, TIME, GAS, ETC.)

THER MUST BE OTHER ALTURNATIVES THAT WORK OTHER THAN A UNSIGHTLY TANK .WHY HASN,T THER BEEN MORE STUDIES AND COMPARISIONS WAORKING WITH ENVIROMENTALIST.

There are better ways instead such as canoeing events and more public involvement

THERE ARE GOVERNMENT SUBSIDIES FOR WHICH COSTS AND CORPORATE TAX BREAKS, WHY SHOULD ANY COST BE PASSED TO THE CUSTOMER? WATER COSTS ARE ALREADY HIGH WITH NO OTHER WATER SOURCE ALTERNATIVE. MORE EFFORT SHOULD GO INTO SECURING GOVERNMENT FUNDING TO PAY FOR THIS NEEDED RENOVATION. WHATER SHOULD BE SOTRED AWAY FROM BIRDS, WILDLIFE, ETC.

THERE HAS BEEN VERY FEW PROBLEMS WIYH THE WAY OUR WATER HAS BEEN STORED. I BELIEVE THAT A FEW POLITICIANS HAVE FRIENDS OR RELITIVES WHO ARE IN THE BUSINESS OF TANK ERECTION,AND ILLEGAL KICK BACKS ARE MAIN REASON FOR THEM PROCEEDING IN THIS DIRECTION

There is a path next to the Levine Reservoir but is not taken care of. Also the reservoir grounds are not taken care of, so what would change? Recreation? Pool is next door Lou Costello.

THERE IS ALWAYS SOMEONE OUT THERE TO MAKE MONEY . THIS SHOULD RESOLVE WITH OUT EXPENSE OF THE CUSTOMER

THERE IS NO DIRECT EVIDENCE THAT THE SITUATION IN MILWAUKEE WAS A RESULT OF ONLY OPEN STORAGE. DO NOTHING-HAS ANYONE IN OUR AREA DIED? THE WATER COMMISSION IS A GROUP OF POLITICAL APPOINTEES WHO ANSWER, APPARENTLY, TO NO ONE. YOU DO WHAT THE POWERS THAT BE WILL. THIS WHOLE PHONY SURVEY IS YET ANOTHER WASTE OF MONEY.

There is no excuse why our drinking water is not treated properly before entering our homes. I have three young children and it is disgusting to now know this filthy water is entering their mouths. If the proper measures are not taken, PVWC should be shut down and a new, reliable company put in.

THERE IS THE ONLY OPTION THAT WASN'T MENTION IS HAVING CUSTOMERS PAY TO PUMP AND TREAT THEIR OWN WATER! WHICH CAN BE VERY EXPENSIVE, BUT ARE USED IN MANY OTHER STATES LIKE PA AND ARIZONA!!



There is true concern for the migration paths of the birds. This corridor is a major migratory path and rest stop for the birds. If you start removing the water at the Levine and the reservoir near Garret Mountain Park you are permanently impacting mother nature.

There should not be any tank, in my opinion. I think they should build a park or something similar to contribute to the National Historic Park.

THERE WAS A PREVIOUS SUGGESTION ABOUT TREATING THE WATER WITH CHEMICALS IN THE RESERVOIR. WHAT HAPPENED TO THAT DISCUSSIONS. SENIORS AND LOWER INCOME CUSTOMERS HAVE REALLY HIGH WATER BILLS . IF THIS KEEPS GOING ON WE WON'T BE ABLE TO AFFORD TO HAVE WATER IN OUR HOMES AT ALL. THE GOVERNMENT NEEDS TO HELP PAY FOR THE NECESSARY LAWS THEY ARE CREATING.

THESE ARE FINE. LETS GET THE WATER SAFE SO WE DO NOT HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT THE YOUNG OR ELDERLY BECOMING ILL AND THEN HAVING TO PAY FOR HEALTH CARE WHICH IS MUCH MORE COSTLY.

THESE SURVEYS ARE SUSPICIOUS. YOU WERE WRONG TO DO WHAT WAS DONE. YOU WANT US TO ASSUME SOME LIABILITY FOR OUR MISTAKES OR RELIEVE YOU OF FAULT. NO CAN DO. MAN UP AND DEAL WITH THE MESS, THE UNCLEAR WATER AND THE COST.

They cheapest way possible. Seniors cannot afford to pay the raises of water bills.

THIS A LOT BULL YOU ARE GOING TO WITH WHAT EVER MAKES YOU THE MOST MONEY.

THIS ARE IS NOW A RESERVOIR-ADD THE TANKS TO THE AREA SAVE OUR WATER, AND AS MUCH AS WE CAN-WE CAN LIVE WITH THESE TANKS. OR LET SOME MILLIONAIRE PAINT THE OR PUT EVERGREENS AROUND THEM IT THEY THINK LOOKS MATTER MORE THAN HEALTH. WE OWN 6 HOMES IN THE DOWNINGS COUNTY.

THIS FORM SEEMS LIKE OVERKILL, POLITICALLY YOU'RE LOOKING TO BLAME CONSUMERS FOR WHATEVER YOU DECIDE. THAT STINKS.

This hurting my heart brain, body, mind. Get it done tank please.

This is a bad idea

THIS IS A SURVEY THAT WILL NOT EVEN BE REVIEWED .

THIS IS ALL WELL AND GOOD BUT I,M CONCERNED ABOUT THE WATER QUALITY ITSELF WHICH IS AT THIS POINT IN TIME DISMAL

THIS IS FINE-NO FANCY ADDITIONS NEEDED. MOST COST EFFICIENT SOLUTION-THANK YOU.

This is in response to your solicitation of suggestions from the public for your workshops on November 14 and 19 regarding the storage of treated drinking water at the Levine Reservoir. I am opposed to your selection of alternative 7c which, in part, proposes the construction of two 2.5-million-gallon storage tanks 160 feet in diameter. Not only would the tanks be unsightly, but north of the tanks would be a parking area and the remaining south end of the reservoir, closest to Grand Street, would become a large retention basin. These features will substantially detract from the adjacent Paterson Great Falls National Historical Park. Elimination of the Levine Reservoir will remove an historic contributing resource. Although I prefer that the reservoir be kept in its existing form, there does not appear to be sufficient space on PVWC property to construct the necessary treatment facility. I am therefore proposing that the Levine Reservoir be lined and covered with a floating fabric. This suggestion only deals with the

Levine Reservoir and makes no recommendations with respect to the New Street or Great Notch Reservoirs. Lining and covering the Levine Reservoir, which certainly would be nowhere as aesthetically pleasing as the existing reservoir however, would be an evolutionary modification to the historic open reservoir. The floating cover would require a security fence, which is already in place. Surface water would be channeled and removed by pumps. The rain water might be available to furnish additional flow to the nearby raceway system, although it would not be sufficient to provide the necessary continuous flow. The cover would not likely be considered an "encroachment" on the Great Falls Historic District and, therefore, not trigger as strict a review by the State Historic Commission. In the Alternatives Section VI, one of the cost opinion assumptions states: "For Alternative 8, the reservoir liner and cover were assumed to need replacement every 10 years over the 50-year life cycle". Given the recent technology in synthetic covering materials, this seems to be an overly conservative estimate. Water manuals show a life expectancy for floating covers to be 25 to 50 years. Hypalon, a membrane material has 35-year installed experience and has a standard 30-year material warranty. <http://www.pnws-awwa.org/uploads/PDFs/conferences/2008/AWWA%20PNWS%20Eng%20Pre-con5b.pdf> If the PVWC engineers used an expected useful life of twenty years, instead of ten, for the material, the capital cost of covering and lining would be cut in half. In any event, the cost for covering and lining, including replacement and operations over the 50-year cycle, should be much lower than the cost for the tanks. It is also recommended that an evaluation be made of the installation of solar panels on top of the floating liner. This is an expansion of the cover and lining suggestion. Ideally, it would be done in conjunction with the floating liner, but could even be done at a later date. Solar technology has been rapidly improving and costs have been decreasing. Floating solar panels are presently in use in Japan, Australia, Spain, Brazil and as close as Millburn, New Jersey. The Millburn system at the Canoe Brook Reservoir owned by New Jersey American Water is the first solar array designed to withstand a freeze/thaw environment. The 538 solar panels are fixed at a 14-degree angle and produce 135,000 kilowatt hours per year with an estimated savings of \$16,000 per year in energy costs. The Millburn installation has fixed panels floating on raw water. Most of the floating solar panels that I've been able to locate float on water. However, I did come across Water & Power Innovations, Inc. an Australian firm that has the following on their website: <http://waterpowerinnovations.net/products/> "Solar Ready" Floating Reservoir Cover "Potable Water\_Treated potable water stored in open reservoirs is subject to United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)/Federal Health Department rules. Compliant floating reservoir covers have provided proper safeguards and conformity of potable water under these rules. Water & Power Innovations market a proprietary "Solar Ready" floating reservoir cover, compliant to AWWA guidelines, NSF 61 and California Department of Health certified specifications. The "Solar Ready" cover is designed to be retrofitted with solar photovoltaic power generation capacity if, when, or at any time determined by the owner/water resource manager. In most applications, the Water & Power Innovation's "Solar Ready" floating cover is cost competitive compared to a traditional full geo-membrane compliant floating covers. A special analysis and design will have to be done to determine if solar panels can be properly integrated with the floating cover for the Levine situation and climatic conditions. Although these suggestions were intended specifically for the Levine Reservoir, they may also have positive applications for the other reservoirs.

THIS IS SO DIFFICULT-NO ONE HAS GOTTEN SICK-THE WATER IS GOOD-EPA LT2 IS STICKING NOSE WHERE THEY SHOULDN'T. I QUESTION IF THEY ARE REALLY CORRECT-HMMM, LET'S SEE HOW LONG HAS THE RESERVOIR BEEN IN USE? YEARS+YEARS+NO PROBLEMS.

THIS PROJECT CAN BE DONE BUT ALL TAKES WE PAY ALWAYS CREATE SOME ISSUES TO PAY MORE. THAT IS NO SIGHT .

This reservoir should be covered (tanked) some how. I never knew drinking water can be left unprotected from the elements human, animals or nature. The area is well known to have homeless people and drug addicts there. As far as an historic site there is a high school that was built across the street about 15 years ago and there are newer homes facing the reservoir. In my opinion its a disgrace that the drinking water is in an open (unprotected) reservoir.

THIS SERVEY IS THE MOST REDICULOUS THING I EVER HEARD OF. THE COMMISSION IS SUPPOSE TO HAVE THE FOR OUR SAFETY AND I CAN NOT IMAGINE TREATING THE WATER AND THAN STORING IN THE OPEN IT SHOULD BE THE OPPOSITE.

This survey attempts to force people into answers with scare tactics about water cleanliness and cost. Why is it not disclosed that the current water treatment method has been in existence for decades without water quality issues despite the fact that animals and algae have always been present. While it is mentioned that waiting to see if the EPA rule is cancelled may increase costs, it is not disclosed that if the rule is cancelled it may allow for the continuation of the current treatment process that has been effective for decades with no additional cost?

This survey has been written to favor tanker

This survey is created in a biased fashion.

THIS SURVEY MEANS NOTHING. IT'S A SHOW. YOU WILL ALL BE GETTING SALARIE INCREASES AT THE INCREASED COST OF ROCESSING AND COST OF WATER USAGE. SHAME ON YOU!!

this survey seems to push you to answer as you want it to be. If you build a tank, then you should treat it when the water goes into the tank. I live in Ringwood, what about all the lakes that people swim in. Is the EPA going to say they must be treated. This whole thing is insanity.

This whole survey is a media presentation by the commission. I am a life long resident of West Paterson and with two reservoir's in our community we are impacted the most by this action of the PVWC. You are meeting with everyone except West Paterson. You are destroying one of the most scenic sections and destroying property values by these monstrous tanks. Why waste money on a public relations concern when you know what the public sentiment is. Over this past year you have come up with nothing. I wonder who you are serving, surely not the public. Even the Feds are restudying these projects so why are you going ahead. Get rid of the PR people and sit down and do your job that you are required to do. Don't destroy our town with such a disastrous plan. During your previous meeting various suggestions were brought to your attention and you have not come up with an alternative. I firmly believe you have made up your mind and the hell with the residents'.

TIME TO REDUCE RATES FOR THIS PUBLIC FACILITY THIS IS NO SUPRIZE TIME TO MEET REQUIREMENTS WITHOUT RATE INCREASES . FIND OTHER COST SAVING MEASURES TO OFFSET THE IMPROVEMENTS. IF THE EPA WANTS TO SHOVE THIS DOWN OUR THROATS LET THEM FIND IT. CURRENT PROCEEDURES HAVE BEEN IN PLACE FOREVER WHY CHANGE NOW .

TO INVESTIGATE WHO MADE THE RULE AND WHO PROFITS FROM IT.

To me it seems obvious that storing treated water in an open reservoir leaves it exposed to contaminants and is a bad idea, regardless of EPA rules.

To prevent what happened in Milwaukee back in the 90's, PVWC should consider the thousands of elderlies, children and all ages drinking water that may cause long term illness or death and start planning immediately a new project for and on behalf of all of us residents of Paterson an Passaic County as well.

TREAT IT AFTER YOU STORE IT - DO NOT TREAT IT BEFORE YOU STORE IT....

Treat the water at the time it enters the system for consumption by the public. After the initial cost it would be a safer/ more efficient system.

TREAT THE WATER ONCE AT THE LEVINE RESERVOIR. IT IS A WASTE OF MONEY TO HAVE IT TREATED TWICE. ARE THERE OTHER FACTORS IN THE FIRST TREATMENT THAT CANNOT BE COMPLETED IN TGHE SECOND TREATMENT? IF NOT, THEN WHY CAN'T THE WATER BE TREATED ONE TIME AT THE LEVINE RESERVOIR THEN SENT TO OUR FAUCETS?

Treat the water only after storing. Why should the water be treated twice? Any up-cost to customers should be equated proportionally by usage of water and not simply divided equally.

TREATMENT AND IMMEDIATE RELEASE TO DISTRIBUTION

Trees and birds should be kept away from water. Grid on poles, Rovers, Falcons.

Trees around the tanks, donated by Audubon, Appleseed or an Arbor group would save the \$200,000. It would have an aesthetic view. How do you stop someone from putting harmful chemicals into the open reservoir? Security cameras would help.

TREAT WATER BEFORE GOES OUT TO PUBLIC.

TRULY I BELIEVE COVERED TANK DECORATED OR NOT COULD CAUSE BACTERIA AND VIRUSES. TAKE NOTE IN NY THE COOLING SYSTEMS WERE COVERED TANKS AND CAUSED FATEL DISEASES RECENTLY. COULD TANKS HAVE CAUSED THESE PROBLEMS?

TRY TO AT LEAST GET SOME FEDERAL AND/OR STATE FUNDING TO HELP ALLEVIATE THE ADDED COSTS TO CUSTOMERS SINCE RESERVOIR IS OPEN, IT IS SUSCEPTIBLE TO TERROR ATTACKS, CHEMICAL WARFARE, GET MONEY FROM HOMELAND SECURITY, THEY HAVE PLENTUY OF MONEY.

TRY TO IMPLEMENT CORRECTIONS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. OUR HEALTH IS AT RISK.

Try to minimize the cost of all changes to the reservoir because NJ residents already pay some of the highest property taxes in the nation and Passaic County with it's environs is not exempt.

Tuck the tanks into the old quarry? Wait for the EPA to finalize the rule. Don't do push polls,

UNABLE FOR FURTHER INVOLVEMENT DUE TO LACK OF INFORMATION.

Under no circumstances would I support building storage tanks. The water should be retreated with new on site equipment.

UNDERGROUND WATER TANKS MORE SAFEST TO STORE WATER PROTECTION FROM OUTSIDE CONTAMINATION HARMFUL BACTERIA AND HARMFUL GROUP OF PEOPLE..

Underwater station not seen to purify water. Minimal damage to environment and beauty of area.

Use income from boating etc. to help cover costs.

Use it as a wonderful recreation area for swimming, boating, etc.

Use Tank A at no additional costs. Most people don't use that water to cook or drink with in their homes. We use it to bathe, shower, brush teeth, wash clothes or water the lawn. Most people use bottled water or have filtration systems in their homes for cooking. The cheapest method available should be used. Perhaps charge people to visit and learn about the reservoir to help with the costs.

USE TANKS.

USING BOY SCOUTS OR OTHER VOLUNTEERS YOU COULD CUT THE COST OF PLANTINGS. EXPLORE SCOUTS ESPECIALLY LOOK FOR PROJECTS.

UV treatment at the reservoir effluent. It cheaper than constructing and maintaining tanks, is effective against cryptosporidium and giardia, and meets the LT2 regulation. There are historical precedents using this treatment to meet the regulation.

Very simple .someone is getting rich .Why do i have to pay more for water .i only wash my hands and body with ..I would never drink tap water unfiltered. People in that are can go screw themselves i do not care if they see a big unsightly tank . i don't give a f\*\*\*! As for covering it do it like the army with a camo tarp a real cheap fix...you want bells and whistles take it out of your own pocket. I do'nt wanna pay more i would rather leave my house and nj!

WAIT AND SEE IF HE RULES WILL CHANGE. LARGER WATER PROVIDERS THAN PUWC ARE WAITING. YOU PEOPLE LOVE TO SPEND MONEY THAT'S NOT YOURS!!

Wait and see if the LT2 rule is cancelled. Today most individuals buy bottled water for drinking, rather than take water from a faucet.

WAIT DON'T BUILD THE TANKS.

Wait till the review. You don't know what the EPA will do in the review. Just because they say(epa) to do this does not make it right. You are destroying the area.

Wait to see if law repealed. Have an outside company come and audit the books make offset cuts in the commissioners salary and benefits to offset any rate hikes.

WAIT UNTIL IT BECOMES MANDATORY

WATER COST IS TO HIGH WITH THE SUB CHARGE AND INCREASES IT IS HARD WHEN YOU ARE ON A FIXED INCOME COST HAS TO PLAY IN WHICHEVER COARSE IS TAKEN

WATER HAS BEEN FINE FOR 100 YEARS, WHY NOW?

WATER IN ITS FORM IS OK DO NOT PUT IN TANKS ITS A MONEY MAKING FOR SOME COMPANIES. LEAVE WATER AS IS. SCREW THE EPA.

Water is King so please get your brightest & concerned workers you can get your hands on. Leave the lazy (if any) home. Put their great minds together to come up with a good solution to keep the water pure and safe. Thank you.

WATER IS OBVIOUSLY VERY IMPORTANT AND WE SHOULD HAVE CLEAN WATER AT ANY COST . I BELEIVE THE CHOICE IS THE SMARTEST WAY TO GO ABOUT IT AT POINT IN TIME.

WATER IS PARAMOUNT FOR ANY WELL FUNCTIONING SOCIETY. WE MUST LISTEN TO THE EPA LF2 RULE FOR WE ARE OWN SAFTEY.

Water is stored in lakes, reservoirs all over the U.S., its good enough for other states, but not N.J.???

WATER IS THE BASIS FOR LIFE . I STILL THINK MANY CONTAMIANYS FROM THE POLLUTION IS NEVER REMOVED .I ONLY USE AND DRINK BOTTLED WATER WHAT ASHAME

WATER SHOULD BE PUT IN TANKS SO IT CANNOT BE SABOTAGED.

Water should definitely be treated after being in the lake & not before. Maybe storing water in a welded steel water storage tank after treatment in each town wouldn't be a bad idea.

Water should never be in an open reservoir no matter how clean and well maintained it is. I strongly recommend to store treated water in a tank. I am not interested in plantation around the tank or paintings on it which would unnecessarily increase the cost.

Water should NOT be stored in tanks. The sun is a purifier as well as the chemicals and inspections in use at the present time. Other states have open reservoirs so should we! Leave things as they are. Thank you.

Water smells in Clifton

WE AGREE WITH YOUR ASSESSMENT. HOPEFULLY THIS PROJECT CAN GET ON THE WAY SO WE CAN HAVE SAFER WATER NOW AND FOR OUR CHILDRENS FUTURE.

We already pay a lot for water that quite frankly we are not comfortable ringing. This is 2015 in the USA. At least we can have safe, clean drinking water. Crazy!!

WE ALWAYS LOOK TO MAKE THE BEST OF OUR WATER BUT TO LOOK AT THE COST OVER THE YEARS IT BEING ALWAYS MEASURE FOR BY LAW TO SUPPORT OUR HISTORICAL PROPERTY AND OUR WATER WE HAVE TO DO THE BEST FOR INPACT AND BENEFIT THEY ARE WAS TO BENEFED ALL IT A MOTHER OF COMMUNICATION AND LAWS.

WE ALWAYS SAID WATER SHOULD NEVER BE OPEN AND EXPOSED LIKE THEY ARE . IT TAKES A SECOND FOR ANYONE TO THROW ANYTHING IN THERE .THIS SHOULD HAVE BEEN YEARS AGO.

We and many other people do not even drink water from the reservoir. We buy spring water for drinking and cooking purposes. Costs keep rising. People are going to be pushed right out of their home. Please do everything possible to keep costs down.! Thank you!

WE ARE PAYING FOR CLEAN WATER AND THAT IS WHAT WE SHOULD BE GETTING. FOR THOSE WHO DISAGREE, MAYBE YOU GET THEM DOWN TO THE RESERVOIR AND GIVE THEM A REFRESHING UP OF WATER FRESHLY DEFICATED IN. HOW IS THIS EVEN BEING QUESTIONED?? PUT IN THE TANK..

WE ARE TOTALLY FEARFUL OF OUR DRINKING WATER MANY OF US CANNOT AFFORD WATER COOLER UNITS. BOTTLED WATER IS NOT GOOD WE READ OF SEWAGE FLOWING INTO OUR DRINKING WATER.

WE ARE VERY UNHAPPY WITH THE CONSTANT RISE IN WATER AND SEWER RATES .WHERE WE WERE PAYING ONE RATE AT ONE TIME BOTH SERVICES, NOW ARE PAYING DOUBLE THAT RATE FOR DIVIDED SERVICES AND THE RATES ARE CONSTANTLY RISING.EVEN THOUGH OUR WATER IS LESS.

We believe we can have both clean water and a bucolic environment at minimal cost...if the right people just put their heads together.

We didn't have problems all these years but now some politician wants to pocket money so the make up new rules at the taxpayer's expense.

WE DO NOT DRINK OR COOK WITH PVW WATER HAVE NOT FOR SEVERAL YEARS NOW



We don't know any of the engineering information about water flow in and out of the site. What are the present problems, if any, with the existing storage method? Have you given this problem to the Engineering Colleges in the state? NJIT, Rutgers, Stevens Tech may have some free input or make it a \$5,000 grant competition!

We have been drinking from this reservoir for years, now all of a sudden it is not safe. I think this is just a way to raise the price of a gallon of water. We do not own the commission and we pay our bills accordingly; therefore, we shouldn't have to tell you how to run your business. If the water is not safe, it should be your responsibility to ensure that it is without us as customers having to pay for it, that is why we get a bill.

WE HAVE CHOSEN TO FILTER OUR WATER. CUSTOMERS WHO DO SHOULD BE CREDITED FOR PURCHASING THE RECOMMENDED SYSTEM. PASSIC WATER IS TERRIBLE. ALONG WITH THE ADDED COST AS STATED HERE, OTHER PEOPLE SHOULD LOOK INTO IT TO RECEIVE A CREDIT.

WE HAVE LIVED THOUSANDS OF YEARS WITH OPEN WATER WAYS. I THINK WE SHOULD TAKE TIME FOR WHATEVER IT TAKES AND COME UP WITH THE MOST COST EFFECTIVE MEANS. THE SUN AND OPEN AIR TAKE CARE OF OUR WATER. STORED WATER IN TANKS BECOMES STAGNANT AND COULD CAUSE MORE PROBLEMS. DO WHAT IS RIGHT.

We have lived with the water reservoir for a lifetime, and no one got sick or died. Leave the scenic reservoir alone and let the people of Paterson have the beauty of this forever.

WE HAVE TO CHANGE WITH THE TIMES! INSTALL THE TANKS AND DECORATE THEM! WE NEED CLEAN WATER MOST OF ALL! KEEP THE COSTS AS LOW AS POSSIBLE!

We just need clean and safe water for the people. How do you like the water in your house? We want the same clean water for the people. The same as you utilize for your kids and family.

WE MUST GUARD IT SOMEONE WON'T GET US THINK OUR WATER

WE MUST HAVE QUALITY / SAFE DRINKING WATER. SHOULD WE CONSIDER ANY HOUSE FILTRATION ??

We need a new reservoir at Great Falls site.

WE NEED CLEAN WATER! TO THINK WE ARE ONE OF THE FEW TO HAVE THE ISSUE IS A CRIME!

WE NEED HOME LAND SECURITY AND THE HELL WITH THE EPA, S L T2 RULES

WE NEED MORE SCIENTISTS TO FIND A BETTER SOLUTION TO OUR FUTURE NEEDS. A LOT OF PEOPLE ANYWHERE NEED TO PAY FOR DRINKING WATER IS A SIN AGAINST HUMANITY.

WE NEED PURE WATER BUT NOT ALL PLANTINGS AND MURALS.

We need safe clean water. After treating the water, put a cover on.

We need to create a plan that will NOT increase the cost of living here in Paterson. I am overwhelmed by the tax increase due to the recent tax re-assessment and I can't afford to pay more.

We need to do the right thing for all residents despite the costs and concerns over appearance. If there are known health risks and linked deaths, cost and appearance should be the least of our worries. In an effort to be understand the issues, it would be helpful, perhaps, to residents to know what other nearby states have done and learn more about the benefits post-remediation.

We need to figure out how to get the epa stay out of local politics. An isolated incident in 1993 should not trigger a review of something that has not been a problem.

WE PAY TO MUCH NOW FOR WATER I DON'T ANY MORE INCREASE. THANK YOU.

We pay too much for everything in Paterson. We just can't afford to pay that much more.

We should appeal the ruling all the way to the Supreme Court. It is draconian bureaucracy at its worst. I am opposed to any building of tanks which in themselves could become sources of bacteria and parasites.

We should definitely comply with the rule. Safety and clean water are, of course, the most important issue here, but we also have to worry about possible terrorism, although not mentioned in this survey, but a real threat these days. So, compliance is required but should be done correctly with the least amount of cost to consumers.

We should make it a recreational area a relocate the tanks placement which support both of our problems

We should not pay additional cost for being customers. Cost of living too expensive to be bringing the water bills high enough as is. Leave the tank as proposed without additional costs. Send the bill to the Gov. Chris Christie.

WE SHOULD SUPPLY THE BEST QUALITY WATER.

We the clients shouldn't be paying for something that the Passaic Water Company is responsible. I never get any money when the company gets a profit, why should I pay for work that the company is responsible. No way, I'm not paying.

We would like more information about fees mentioned in questions 9 & 10. Perhaps hese could be for public knowledge via he newspaper and online too. With many retirees and low income residents, this project is certainly a financial challenge. We don't think people will want the financial burden, even though they would want cleaner water. The water commission staff gets paid very well.

WELL GO ALONG WITH WHAT THE MAJARITY OF RESIDENTS WANT. WE JUST WANT CLEAN AND SAFE DRINKING WATER

WELL I THINK THATS A GOOD THING THAT YOU ARE DOING SOMETHING ABOUT IT BUT THINGS YOU SHOULD WORRY ABOUT TO IS POLITICS JOHN KELLYAND RIGO SANCHEZ AND THE OTHERS DOING CROOKED STUFF AND STEERING THE COMPANY IN THE WRONG DIRECTION AND GETTING AWAY WITH IT AS PEOPLE ABOUT THAT..

WELL WE JUST WANT OUR WATER TO BE STORED IN THE TANK AFTER TREATED AND IT SHOULD BE DISEASES FREE. I DON'T THINK THEY SHOULD BE ANY TREES PLANTED OR PLANTS COVERING THE TANKS ITS JUST A WASTE OF MONEY.

Well, the other possibility I can think of is to build the tanks underground.

WHAT A TURN OFF TO KNOW THAT TREATED WATER IS STORED OUTSIDE IN THE ELEMENTS WHERE ANIMALS AND GOD KNOWS WHAT GOES INTO THAT WATER. I MAY NEVER USE MY TAP WATER AGAIN , NO WONDER EVERYONE IS GETTING

CANCER, SECOND OF ALL I DON'T LIVE NEAR THAT AREA SO ITS NOT FAIR ABOUT MY OPINION. I DON'T HAVE TO LOOK AT THAT TANK BUT THESE PEOPLE WILL GET USED TO LOOKING AT THE TANK WITH NO COST.

WHAT ABUOT CHECKING WITH OTHER CITIES IN NJ OR THE ENTIRE US A TO FIND OUT WHAT THEY HAD TO DO .

WHAT EVER SOLUTION IS CHOSEN ALL Q12 ITEMS SHOULD BE DONE TO MAKE HISTORIC DISTRICT MORE ATTRACTIVE TO VISITORS.

WHAT EVER THE EPA ACCEPTS I'M OKAY WITH.

WHAT GUARANTEE IS THERE THAT IN THE LONG RUN THE WATER WILL REMAIN PURE?

WHAT I WANT, AND WE ALL DESERVE IS CLEAN WATER! GTHAT SHOULD BE #1 PRIORITY!

WHAT IS THE COST OF REVERSE PROCESS? THE REVERSE PROCESS IS STORING THE WATER IN THE RESERVOIR, TREAT AT THE TREATMENT PLANT AND SEND TO THE HOMES.

What need to be done, have to be done.

What took you so long to comply with providing safe drinking water? Besides dictating that the customer pays for the new storage system, where else is the money coming from?

What we have here is a catch-22 for PVWC, we all keep reading articles and mailers on this issue but the fact is, in FACT, that the EPA requires the changes therefore it is incumbent upon PVWC to implement them at NO cost to the customers. The water should be protected at all costs all along. We already have high lead levels as-is. Build the tanks, plant a bunch of trees and it doesn't cost hundreds of thousands of dollars and have the local artists paint it for free as a piece of art. Open minds and doing the right thing always prevails people.

WHATE EVER IS CHOSE IT WILL COST US SENIORS AND OTHER MONEY WHICH MOST OF US LIVE ON A BUDGET ESPECIALLY WITH HIGH COST OF LIVING EXPENSES. I AM 87 YR OLD AND BEING ONE OF THE YOUNG DEMOCRATS DURING LEVINES TENURE I WOULD CONSIDER THIS VENUE FOR ALL THE LEVINES I DEAL WITH. WE NEED SOMETHING TO MAKE PATTERSON GREAT AGAIN.

Whatever alternative is used, please ensure that our drinking water remains clean, pure and safe to drink, with the least impact on our environment.

Whatever does not raise taxes.

WHATEVER YOU DO WILL COST ME MORE MONEY ANYWAY.

When my children were growing up we went often & made a picnic with other friends and family, as my children got married had children they took them there. That's the last place I spent time with my son-in-law. We made many good memories there. To be honest, I wish nothing be done to ruin it. The reservoir holds many memories to many people. no matter what it has to be built, but don't give the cost of the plain building. It should have been on this form to be able to make the correct decision.

Where do you think that every customer in NJ could afford to pay the extra money for this project? You people think money rows on trees, you should have thought about this years ago. I'm on a fixed income and dont have extra money to pay for anything

more. It's bad enough our taxes, food and everything else goes up and this year we're not getting an increase in Social Security. Stop bleeding us to death. Call upon the government to help us out!

WHILE OTHER ALTERNATIVES MAY BE AVAILABLE AT THE END IT WOULD MORE COSTLY TO EVERY CUSTOMER IN THE REGION. TAXES IN NJ ARE VERY HIGH , SO WE NEED TO FIND WAYS TO SAVE MONEY ON THE WATER WE DRINK ,THANX

who cares what it looks like we want safe drinking water . no one drinks the water her so we pay for drinking water WE WANT A BETTER SOURE OF DRINKING WATER.

Who ever thought that keeping treated water in an open-air reservoir was an effective idea? For decades, all elected officials thought: Yes, let's spend a lot tax money treating the drinking water and then dumping it an open-air reservoir in which every animal and human can easily contaminate it? This obviously dangerous process never crossed the minds of elected officials or PVWC executives previous to 2015? You guys needed the EPA to tell you this was a horrible process? Next time you wonder why barely any residents of Passaic County have any faith in the PVWC, feel free to remember this poorly managed process that every paid official chose to ignore.

WHY ARE GETTING THIS SERVEY IN OCT.15 WHEN THIS GOES INTO AFFECT IN TWO MONTHS .

Why are we pumping water from Passaic River? What happened to Wanaque and Monksville Reservoirs? I'm sure there is wildlife up there. Sell Great Notch reservoir to Passaic County Parks before you put a tank there. This whole project is a waste of money.

WHY ARE YOU LEAVING THIS UP TO GENERALLY UNEDUCATED CUSTOMERS? RE-ACTIVATING THE RIVERWAY WOULD BE AMAZING.

WHY CAN WE ADOPT A WAY TO PREVENT BIRDS FROM VISITING THIS SITE IN A HUMANE WAY AND PREVENT CONTAMINATION OF WATER. SUCH AS NOISE ACTIVATED DEVICES WITH MOTION SENSORS .I MEAN TECHNOLOGY IS PRETTY ADVANCE TODAY TO ACCOMODATE THESE NECESSITIES.

WHY CAN,T THE WATER BE STORED AT LEVINE UNTREATED THEN TREAT WHEN DISTRIBUTED.

Why can't the local high school/college Art Departments in the service area collaborate on a design for tank mural art and then execute the project as a community service project so the only cost would be for supplies. They could do a fund raiser or solicit donations to cover the cost of supplies as a second community service project. Taxpayers support the schools. It would be wonderful if the schools could use their talents and skills to support this project.

WHY CAN'T THE PURIFICATION PROCESS BE REVERSED? WHO IN THEIR RIGHT MIND WOULD PURIFY WATER AND THEN PUT IT BACK TO GET CONTAMINATED? THESE PEOPLE GO TO COLLEGE TO GET A DEGREE TO SHOW JUST HOW STUPID THEY ARE WITH THIS PROBLEM. THE WATER SHOLD BE PURIFIED JUST BEFORE IT COMES FROM THE FAUCET. AS A CONCERNED SENIOR CITIZEN, WE CAN'T AFFORD ANYMORE INCREASES!

WHY CAN'T THE TANKS BE PLACED UNDER WATER. I'M NOT CONVINCED THAT STORAGE TANKS ARE SAFER OPEN RESERVOIR WHAT ARE THE TANKS LINED WITH . HOW LONG IS THE WATER STORED.I;M NOT ANSWERING THIS ENTIRE QUESTIONIER BECAUSE THEY TO MANY UNANSWERED QUESTIONS.I FEEL THE TANKS COULD BE LESS SAFE THAN AN OPEN RESERVOIR.

Why can't the treated water go directly from the treatment plant into the water lines instead of storing any water either in a tank or a reservoir?

why can't the water be held in the reservoir first than passed through the treatment plant then to the residents? That is the way it should have been done in the first place. We have the wrong people managing our water. We are paying too much in service fees compared to the amount of water we utilize.

Why can't the water be treated after the reservoir?

WHY CAN'T WE USE THE SAME WATER LYNDHURST USES?

WHY CAN'T YOU BUILD STORAGE TANKS UNDERGROUND/STORE WATER UNDERGROUND FOR FUTURE USE? AQUIFER STORAGE AND RECOVERY

Why cant our government pay the bill ? They use our tax dollars to pay for projects in other countries.

WHY CANT WE JUST STORE UNTREATED IN RESERVOIR AND THEN TREAT BEFORE DELIVERY? I UNDERSTAND THAT SOME SAFETY STOCK MAY STILL NEED TO BE STORED.

Why did we not hear about this LT2 Rule before? I am in my 60's and I have been drinking this water without this proposal. I am fine and so are the rest of the people in Passaic County. Please stop picking my wallet so you people can have an increase in your pay. You will get to my age and on a fixed income and all you think is how to get more money from me. Stop the insanity. Any excuse to increase my water bill.

Why do we treat water and then store it in open areas? Why not treat it when we start to draw from the storage area? Also do you airate the stored water routinely? I am concerned about water being stored in tanks for periods of time resulting in the water becoming old and stale. For how many years have we been storing water in oprn areas? What are other states like N. Y. for example with many reserviors doing to keep their water clean and treated properly?

Why does it cost \$200,000 additional for trees?

Why does it have to be treated before ? Cant it be treated after it leaves the reservoir ??

Why does there have to be a substantial cost to paint the tanks. Many artists would be happy to do this for nothing other than the cost of paint. Or, you could partner with one of the schools to give credit for the work involved.

WHY DOESN'T THE EPA WORRY ABOUT THE PROBLEMAT BARNEGAT RESERVOIR. I MEAN I'VE BEEN DRINKING WATER FROM THE FAUCET FOR 40 YEARS. I'M NOT SICK OR DEAD THE PROBLEMAT BARNEGAT WAS CAUSED BY EPA THEY NEED TO FIX IT.THIS SERVEY IS A WASTE OF TIME,CAUSE NO MATTER WHAT OPINION THE EPA WANTS TO MAKE A CHANGE TO THE DRINKING WATER SYSTEM WHEN THERE IS NO NEED TO SPEND UNNESSARY \$\$.

WHY DON'T YOU TREAT THE WATER ONCE ON TO ITS WAY OUT OF THE RESERVOIR?

WHY DON'T YOU REVERSE THE ORDER. HAVE PRE TREATED WATER STORED IN THE RESEVOIR AND THAN GO TO THE TREATMENT PLANT AND FROM THE TREATMENT PLANT TO OUR FAUCETS. THIS WAY NO TANKS OR COVERS ARE NEEDED.

Why has EPA determined this issue now? What has changed from previous years.

WHY HAVE YOU WAITED SO LONG? WASN'T THE RULE PROPOSED BY THE EPA IN 2001?

Why is our water not treated post reservoir, as it is in NYC? Instead of treating twice, treat as it leaves the reservoir and before it goes to our homes. Why not use NYC's model? However if not possible (don't know why), it would make more sense to treat at the reservoir as you don't know the issues that will surface with the storage in tanks. Ultimately you must deliver safe drinking water in accordance with the Safe Drinking Water Act.  
Do what is necessary to make this happen. Thank you.

WHY IS THE DRINKING WATER IN LODI SO HEAVILY CHLORINATED? I HAVE TO FILTER THE WATER THROUGH MY FRIDGE AND THEN A BRITA WATER FILTER JUST TO DRINK IT.

Why is the water treated, then stored in an open reservoir? I always thought we are receiving clean water. This is disgusting! What have we been drinking?? No wonder there are so many health issues. PVWC has been irresponsible and deceiving. Water should come out of the reservoir and then cleaned!!!

Why is there a typo on the back page of the reservoir survey? It says 'competed' instead of 'completed'. This makes the PVWC look like they don't care. Did no one proof this important document? Also on question Q9 under 'disadvantages' it says but ongoing cost are.... It should say either ongoing COSTS are or ongoing cost IS. Since your name and the commissioners are on this survey, I'm sure you would want it to be correct. Thank you for your time in this matter. \_ \_

WHY IS THERE NO MENTION OF THE GARRET MOUNTAIN RESEVOIR AND THE NEW SA RESEVOIR .IF NO ONE IN THE LEVINE RESERVOIR SYSTEM HAS BEEN SICK YET THAN THE BEST WAY TO GO IS TO RETREAT THE WATER AFTER IT LEAVES THE RESERVOIR.

WHY IS TREATED WAER HELD IN A RESERVOIR? DON'T MOST WATER TREATMENT PLANTS PUMP THE TREATED WATER TO CUSTOMERS? SUE THE EPA

Why not let local artists paint the tank for exposure. Someone had suggested in the Clifton Journal that the tanks be built so they would be under the water level of the reservoir. Place the tanks under water.

Why not proceed the way United Water Company does because their customers are paying about \$100 less than you are charging. What's wrong with this picture???

WHY NOT RETREATING THE WATER GOING TO OUR HOMES. FOR 2 WEEK SOUR TAP WATER HAS TASTED DIRTY-WHY WEREN'T WARNINGS SENT OUT. THIS HISTORIC DISTRICT WILL AVE TO SHOW AND GET WITH THE PROGRAM OF KEEPING THE CITIZENS FREE OF ILLNESS AND DISEASE.

Why not storage tanks at other locations where no one cares?

Why not store the water in the reservoir before being treated?

WHY NOT TREAT THE WATER ONCE AFTER STORAGE IN THE RESERVOIR INSTEAD OF BEFORE AND NOW POSSIBLY AFTER.

Why pass off the burden to the taxpayers? There should be enough property tax revenue to pay this off in installments. The jobs it would create would also offset the cost by generating even more tax revenue if arranged properly with the State of New Jersey. The politicians could show solidarity with the public and forego COLA, especially if they are making more than \$500K annually. Drinking water is a very important service upon which the general public depends greatly on their local government to properly manage. To pass the cost off on us is to say that you don't have any concern for the welfare of the citizens of the county, and don't want to burden your own pockets while happily digging further into ours. Do something different for a change. Show the people their government actually cares ... even if it's just pretending.



WHY SHOULD WE (PUBLIC) HAVE TO PAY EXTRA FOR THE PWVC TO BECOME EPA COMPLIANT WHEN OUR WATER RATES ARE NOT ANY LOWER THAN OTHER MUNICIPALITIES THAT ARE COMPLIANT???

Why the water is stored before delivery? No matter how it is stored water will always get contaminated if stagnant.

WHY WAS THIS NOT TAKEN CARE OF YEARS AGO WE HAVE LIVED IN THIS AREA FOR OVER 30 YEARS AND HAVE NEVER HAD ISSUE AS FAR AS WE KNOW OF .

WILL RESERVOIRS BE EMPTY AFTER STORAGE TANKS ARE IN PLACE.

WILL WE BE EXPOSED TO MORE RADON GAS IN OUR WATER AND UNWANTED GASES . SINCE THEY WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO VENT OUT GAS .IN OUR WATER . WILL THE TANKS BE LINED WITH HARMFUL PLASTIC.

With area around tanks. 1) Water park Like Land of Make Believe. They have rides for small children. It would bring \$ to Paterson. Instead of parents having to drive 30 minutes, pay \$100s of dollars on recreational activities in another town. If it could be indoors it could be open year round. Roller rink would be something that we don't have either.

With consideration of the tanks, are the costs of future cleaning of the tanks considered in the proposal? They will develop algae or other things even if covered and they will need cleaning. Why does the water have to be pretreated? What is different from this reservoir and the other ones we use? I know treatment after the pretreated water is mentioned, but why not just leave it alone to begin with and treat is as our other reservoirs? Sorry if I am a bit confused but in this day and age someone could toss something into the processed drinking water - more possible today than in the 1993 episode.

WITH THE AMOUNT OF PEOPLE LIVING IN OUR AREA I SEE NO OTHER WAY TO HAVE CLEAN DRINKING WATER

WITH THE HIGH TAXES WE PAY IN PASSAIC COUNTY I FEEL THE SAFEST BUT ALSO THE MOST ECONOMICAL WAY WOULD BE BEST. AESTHETICS ARE NOT ESSENTIAL BUT VERY COSTLY.

WITH THE UP COMING ELECTION ADMINISTRATION CHANGE POSSIABLE WE SHOULD DELAY CHANGES WHEN AN ACCEPTED PRACTICE MAYBE CONSIDERED.0

WITH THESE ADDITIONAL COSTS-PLEASE TAKE THE COSTS (AND SHOULD BE TAKEN) FROM THE HIGH SERVICE FEES WE NOW ARE CHARGED WITH AND DO NOT CORRESPOND WITH THE USAGE FEES WHICH ARE COMPATABLE TO OUR WATER USE.WHY ARE THE SERVICE FEES SO HIGH?

WITH TODAY'S ECONOMY AND FOR SENIOR CITIZENS ANY INCREASES PASSED ON WOULD HARM I AND OTHER I RECENTLY REY NJ WAS NOT FOR THE EPAS NEEDS I AM ON A FIXED INCOME CURRENT BILLED AREA TOO BIG. MAKE CUTS ON CURRENT EMPLOYEES.

WITH TWO INFANT WE CAN NOT INCUR SUCH EXPENSES FOR IT WILL CAUSE OUR FAMILY SIGNIFICANT FINANCIAL HARDSHIP. THIE EPA HAS NO REGARD FOR HARD WORKING FAMILIES. THEY LOVE TO SPEND CORORAT AND TAXPAYER MONEY. PLEASE DO NOT INCREASE RATES.

Worrying about a historical district over clean drinking water is absurd. I am not an expert on this subject, but it is obvious that drinking water, something essential to live, is more important than a historic district. Things like water should already be included in the budget. People already pay high taxes. The plantings would be nice, but not for an extra \$200,000. How about some kind of volunteer program for planting? Something that costs less. Maybe even add a community garden. Plants are FREE--a gift from the earth.

WOULD IT BE FEASIBLE TO RE-ROUTE THE PROCESS? STORE UNTREATED WATER AT THE FACILITY AND TREAT ON SITE?

Would like additional information on the site. How long would it take to complete the project.

WOULD LIKE TO KEEP THE COST DOWN DON OT WANT A COST INCREASE IN WATER RATES.

Wouldn't it be cheaper for taxpayers if all residents just buy a Brita faucet water filter for \$30, and replace the filters every few months?

Years ago we were panicked that terrorists would poison our drinking water. It didn't happen! Now the EPA, after years of storing water the present way, panics the population with stories of animal contamination. The tanks will be built whether we want them, or not. Somebody is making big monies with this project. So, before the allies destroy ISIS and Al Quaida and we needn't worry about being poisoned to death, build the tanks and make us pay through the nose unto death.

YES I AGREE WITH INSTALLING THE TNK BECAUSE OF MY FAMILY AND I GOT SICK OF THE WATER.

Yes Moving out of Clifton & NJ. Call your Congress rep for money. Call Obama.

YES TAKE EPA TO COVER GET CONGRESSIONAL SUPPORT TO CHANGE RULE.

You are a private company in violation of EPA regulations. Fix your mess at your own expense, not mine.

YOU ARE ALREADY WAY TO EXPENSIVE AND YOU SHOULD FIX THE COST AND SHOULD HAVE BEEN AWARE THAT THE WATER WAS POLLUTED

You are going to increase our rates no matter what. Just don't do it all at once. Make it a 3-year plan. Tanks are the way to go.

YOU ARE RIDICULOUS! IMPROVE THE FACILITY YOU HAVE INSTEAD OF WORRYING ABOUT SPENDING OUR MONEY YOU COULD HAVE EASILY PREVENTED THAT WOMAN FROM FALLING INTO THE TANK AND CORRODING OUR WATER BUT YOU DIDN'T-YOU ARE A JOKE-DO YOU JOB AND STOP BILKING MONEUY FROM RESIDENTS WHO WILL NEVER SEE THE JOB COMPLETED.

You can make all these necessary changes for much less money. I don't know if this is possible, but can the water be treated before getting to the sink?

You can spin it any way you like. Forget the tank, period. Tell the contractor to find something else to do. I have been drinking the water for years without a problem.

YOU CAN,T EVAN GIVE US A PREPAID ENVELOP HOW CHEAP

You could build the reservoir under ground and leave the existing waterway unaffected.

YOU COVERED EVERYTHING PRETTY WELL

YOU DEED THE RESEARCH AND I THINK Q11 OPTION IS THE BEST.

YOU DID YOUR RESEARCH , WATER SHOULD BE CLEAN NONMATTER WHATTHE COST JUST KEEP POLITICS OUT OF YOUR DECISIONS LOTS OF LUCK..

You do whatever is going to cost the consumer the LEAST amount of extra money while still complying with the law. We pay plenty already without adding lawyers, fines and all other kinds of BS.

YOU DON'T MENTION THE SIZE OF THE AERA OF THE RESERVIOR. WHY IS IT TOO LARGE TO COVER WITH A FLOATING COVER?

You get paid the big bucks! It's your job to figure it out.

YOU GUYS ARE GOOD!! TYPICAL POLITICAL SPEAK-QUESTIONS ARE WORDED TO LEAVE LITTLE OR NO CHOICE-PLEASE DON'T TRY TO TELL US THE THE TREATMENT BEFORE STORING IN RESERVOIR IS THE FINAL TREATMENT. BEEN DRINKING FROM PVWC SERVICE FOR 70+ YEARS WITH NO PROBLEMS.

YOU GUYS SHOULD PUT THE RESERVOIR IN OTHER CITIES TO A SUCH AS CLIFTON, PASSAIC, AND/OR OTHER PARTS OF PATERSON

YOU JUST NEED A REASON TO RAISE THE COST JUST LIKE TAXES IN THIS CITY. SOLUTION ALL PEOPLE SHOULD MOVE OUT OF THIS STATE.

YOU KNOW TIMES ARE TOUGH ,NO JOBS,MILLIONS OF PEOPLE ON WELFARE ,MEDICAL BILLS CAN'T PAY. ALL OVER THE WORLD PEOPLE SUFFERING .KEEP IT AS CHEAP AS POSSIBLE

YOU NEED TO KEEP THE COSTS DOWN!! THE WATER BILL IS ALREADY VERY EXPENSIVE. DON'T ADD ANYTHING ELSE TO IT. AS NEED FOR RECREATION AREA I'D RATHER DRINK SAFE WATER THAN SEE A RUNNING TRACK.

YOU NEED TO PROVIDE MORE CONTEXT ABOUT HOW THE CURRENT SYSTEM COMPARES TO OTHERS.

You seem to have covered it all.

YOU SHOULD BE AWARE OF EPA RULINGS AND COMPLY-PEOPLE SHOULD NOT HAVE TO CHOOSE BETWEEN SAFE DRINKING WATER OR WATER THEY CAN AFFORD TO DRINK. WORRY LESS ABOUT AESTHETICS & MORE ABOUT SAFETY & BE COST ACCOUNTABLE. REMEMBER YOUR MISSION & PRIMARY PURPOSE, PLEASE.

YOU SHOULD CONSIDER NOT FORCING CUSTOMER TO USE A STAMP ON THE RETURN ENVELOPE. THESE CHANGES HAVE ALREADY COST ME THE PRICE OF A POSTAGE STAMP PS YOU ARE ALL GOING TO DO WHATEVER YOU WANT ANYWAY

YOU SHOULD DO WHAT EVER IS NECESSARY TO MAINTAIN GOOD WATER AND THIS IS SOMETHING THAT CAN BE DONE.

YOU SHOULD MAKE SURE THE WATER IS SAFE.KEEP THE COST DOWN MAKE NOBODY PUTS ANYTHING INTO THE RESERVIOR LIKE BOTTLES, PAPER, CIGERETTE BUTTS. HAVE SOMEONE GUARD THE PLACE AND WATCH THE AREA.

YOU SPEAK OF TANKS COVERS ,PIPELINES,ETC. THERE IS NOTHING IN MY BACKGROUND THAT ALLOWS YOU MAKING A LOGICIAL PRACTICAL DECISION.

YOU WELCOME!!

You will do what you want to do, so what's the difference if I have any thoughts!

YOU'RE A BUNCH OF THIEVES ANYWAY HOW MUCH GOES INTO YOUR COUSINS POCKET .MOST OF YOU SHOULD BE FIRED EPA ARE A BUNCH OF ASSHOLES .LETS SAVE A BIRD AND MAKE EVERYTHING LOOK PRETTY .LETS SOAK THE CUSTOMERS.

YOUR IS BAD . I HAVE ZERO CONFIDENCE IN ANYTHING YOU DO .

YOUR MAIN OBJECTIVE IS ADEQUATE SAFE DRINKING WATER. IT SHOULD NOT BE AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC ACCESS OR POSSIBLE CONTAMINATION. SAFETY IS PRIORITY

YOUR MISSION IS PROVIDE WATER NOT PROVIDE HIKING SPACES.



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