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Dear Ms. Taylor,

This letter is to comment on the proposed multi-billion dollar pipeline to siphon water from Eastern Nevada to Las Vegas.

I have been a resident of Las Vegas for a number of years. Like many of us who love to live in Las Vegas we have concerns about the ability of the Colorado River to provide us with the majority of our water needs in the future.

However, to build this pipeline is the wrong solution. If we are going to invest a few billion dollars in our water future it should not be robbing from our Eastern neighbors from a potentially limited supply of water. What we should be doing is scrapping this plan and investing in an unlimited supply of water to our West, the Pacific Ocean. Technology has made great strides in the desalination of sea water and I would rather invest my children's future in Las Vegas in a pipeline to the West. The proposed pipeline seems to be a short term solution to a potential long term problem.

I would encourage those making this decision to scrap this plan and go back to the drawing board looking to the West for the best solution. In my opinion, this pipeline is a waste of our money.

Thank you.

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