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**Subject:** Lower San Joaquin River and Southern Delta


In response to the State Water Board press release and request for public comment I offer the following.

1. I find it almost unbelievable that nine years of research and extensive public outreach results in the conclusion that letting significantly more water flow unimpeded to the ocean is a solution to the San Francisco Bay-Delta ecosystem crisis. I would offer you could remove all the dams and this would not solve the problem.
2. The fact that the press release lists fish and wildlife first in the multiple valuable uses would not appear to be a coincidence. In fact the entire release is directed at the native fish not the people of California or the Agricultural production that feeds those people and a good portion of the World population.
3. I have seen what the non-native bass can do to fingerling size fish and no matter how much water is run through the delta you will not rebuild the native fish population until you solve the ever increasing bass population.
4. Your press release references requiring “water wars to yield to collective efforts to help fish and wildlife through voluntary action, which the plan seeks to reward”. The California agriculture industry has much experience with “voluntary action” both with Federal and State government and has always ended up on the short-end of any action.
5. By stating the proposed plan the “Water Wars” will now be in full force as many San Joaquin Valley businesses and cities will have to fight for their existence. I can only imagine how much good could be done to solve the problem with the legal fees that will be paid during the upcoming war.
6. There are viable plans out there that would result in improving the native fish populations and restoring the delta. Unfortunately yours is not one of them.
7. As you know SGMA will require improved groundwater management and that will be in direct conflict with unimpeded flows.
8. I hope that the State Water Resources Control Board will reconsider and look for a true balanced multiple use plan.

Sincerely,

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