



Dear Water Board,

A 35% flow is simply not enough to support wildlife. We need sufficient spring and summer flows to support salmon that are natural to the delta environment. My father came here as a child and loved this state for its wildlife and beauty. I too want to live in a California that is abundant with natural resources, and conserve --and restore-- the natural beauty for my children and grandchildren.

With rice and alfalfa using 56% of the irrigated acreage, consuming 63% of our water, and generating only 17% of crop revenue, doesn't it make sense to create a policy that enhances salmon propagation and shifts agricultural production towards vegetables?

Vegetables are better for us, use far less water (10%) and generate far more revenue: 39%.

And doesn't it make sense for the state of California to preserve the beautiful heritage that inspires so much life, and create policies that **enhance** our economy by **increasing** the natural water flows in our delta?

Please consider the spiritual consequences of a decision that degrades our environment. Would you willingly and knowingly create policy that results in extinction of species that are so important to life on earth? Please. Take the long view. Increase the water flows and improve life on earth.

Sincerely,
Cheryl Llienstein, citizen