

**Hearing in the Matter of California Department of Water Resources and
United States Bureau of Reclamation
Request for Change in Point of Diversion for California Waterfix**

Statement of Qualifications
Bill Jennings

1987 – present: Chairman, California Sportfishing Protection Alliance: Executive Director since September 2005

1995 – 2005: Deltakeeper, Deltakeeper Project of San Francisco Baykeeper
Board Member: Restore the Delta, California Water Impact Network

For more than thirty years, Mr. Jennings has:

- Submitted comments, complaints and participated in evidentiary proceedings concerning water rights, public trust, water transfers, water quality control plans and unreasonable use and method of diversion before the State Water Resources Control Board.
- Submitted comments, complaints and interventions and participated in mediated proceedings before the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.
- Reviewed, commented on and litigated California Environmental Quality Act and National Environmental Policy Act documents pertaining to the Delta and tributary waterways.
- Managed more than 500 successful enforcement actions against agencies and industrial and municipal violators of environmental laws established to protect habitat and water quality.
- Reviewed and commented on proposed NPDES permits and WDRs or waivers issued pursuant to state and federal clean water statutes. Appealed and, where necessary, litigated adopted permits.
- Participated in numerous State and Regional Board processes; i.e., policy development, 303(d) listings, TMDLs, basin plan amendments, enforcement proceedings, etc.
- Managed a monitoring program that collected water quality information that led to a number of waterways in the Stockton urban area to be listed as impaired waterbodies.
- Received numerous acknowledgments including the International Conservation Award from the Federation of Fly Fishers, the Director's Achievement Award from the Department of Fish and Game, the Conservation Achievement Award from the California-Nevada Chapter of the American Fisheries Society, the Quality of Life Award from the Land Utilization Alliance and the Delta Advocate Award from Restore the Delta. The Outdoor Writers Association of California recognized him as Outdoor Californian of the Year and the Delta Fly Fishers selected him as Fly Fisherman of the Year. His efforts in obtaining an historic cleanup of Penn Mine on the Banks of the Mokelumne River led to awards to both CSPA and Committee to Save the Mokelumne by the California Water Policy IX Conference.