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Oct. 31, 2016

Jeanine Townswend, Clerk to the Board

State Water Resources Control Board

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Sacramento, CA 95814-0100

Dear Sir or Madam:

I am writing regarding the 2016 Bay-Delta Plan Amendment concerning the Tuolumne, Stanislaus, and Merced Rivers. We own property along a tributary to the Stanislaus River and have grown to love the Stanislaus River. Our property is near Relief Reservoir and we have camped many times in the Strawberry and Eagle Meadows areas. I understand that this proposed amendment would guarantee adequate flow levels from February to June, specifically 30% to 50% of the 'unimpaired flow level'. We are strong supporters of keeping our rivers healthy for fish – specifically salmon and steelhead – and of maintaining healthy river systems by guaranteeing adequate flow.

We realize that there are many demands for California's decreasing water resources, but the integrity of our rivers has already been threatened by diversions and we cannot continue down this road causing permanent degradation of these riverine systems and without compromising further the integrity of the salmon and steelhead populations.

Thank you very much,

Brenda Senturia and Gary Cooper

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