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Jeanine Townsend, Clerk to the Board State Water Resources Control Board 1001 I Street, 24<sup>th</sup> Floor Sacramento, CA 95814-0100



Dear Jeanine Townsend and Board,

I am writing to you to express my strong support for the current proposal to increase flows on the Tuolumne, Stanislaus and Merced rivers to at least 40% of the unimpaired flows under natural conditions.

My Grandfather and Great Grandfather farmed in the Central Valley, using water from the Stanislaus river for their crops, and I understand the need for irrigation water in this semi-arid State. However, I also recognize human ingenuity and our ability to adapt, and I feel strongly that we can correct the heavy impact we have had on the streams in California.

I support keeping more water in the rivers for fish, improving the water quality and keeping the water temperatures closer to normal levels. I support your plan to keep more water in the rivers!

Thank you, Eric

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