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Dear State Water Quality Control Plan,

As a resident of the Delta Area and a regular user of the waterways of the south Delta, I find it necessary to write this letter to tell you, the Delta can't take any more reduction of water flows. Over the forty plus years that I've been using this wonderful water world, I have watched the water quality erode to a point that not only do we need to not allow any more water to be pumped out but we need to find a way to get more flow to our Delta.

The lack of flow has allowed the water to stop moving and the clarity of the water has allowed many species of aquatic weed to grow and this process has also changed the wildlife ecosystem to a point that will take many years to recover. Allowing more water to be drawn from here will destroy what we have and ruin what we all know as home. This winter's heavy rain has had a wonderful effect on the water clarity and reminds me of what this area used to be like twenty years ago. Delta water health is not clear but cloudy and opaque! Stagnant water is clear.

From a salinity standpoint, as the flows continue to weaken, so does the pressure the water flow has on the salt water intrusion into the upper delta. This salinity will have a devastating effect on our farming in this area.

Please don't allow more water to taken from our Delta!

Sincerely, Scott Pellaton