Public Comment 2016 Bay-Delta Plan Amendment & SED Deadline: 3/17/17 12:00 noon

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To: commentletters

Subject: Comment Letter – 2016 Bay-Delta Plan Amendment & SED

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Hello,

I have read that the State Water Quality Control Plan will weaken water quality standards in the San Joanquin River. Weakening of water standards means reducing salinity standards for the southern delta and as a resident of Discovery Bay, increased salinity will negatively impact recreation and irrigation. Further, San Joaquin River flows should be increased along with a permanent reduction in water exports to southern California to prevent toxic algae blooms such as what occurred here in Discovery Bay in summer of 2016. Pets, marine mammals and wildlife all drink from the delta and increased salinity, reduced water quality and algae blooms all threaten the delta habitat.

Please do not weaken water quality standards for the San Joaquin River but rather support increasing of water flows and limiting of water exports to reduce damage to the San Joaquin River delta.

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