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



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Jeanine Townsend, Clerk of the Board State Water Resources Control Board 1001 I Street, 24th Floor Sacremento, CA 95814-0100



Comment Letter-2016 Bay Delta Plan Amendment & SED

Dear Madam:

My name is Jeneen Nammar, I live in Palo Alto and I am writing as a concerned CA resident regarding the Bay Delta. Our family enjoys boating, fishing, swimming, backpacking, and bird watching in California's watersheds. I am also concerned on behalf of those who work in the fishing industry. In 2010 the State Water Board issued a report called "Development of Flow Criteria for the Sacremento-San Joaquin Delta Ecosystem" that determined there needs to be 60% of unimpaired flow between February to June so that fish and wildlife in the lower San Joaquin River and it's three main tributaries are protected. This must happen.

We have nearly lost commercial salmon fishery in California. From an environmental standpoint, more than 100 species depend on salmon, and the Bay Delta provides a habitat for over 500 species of wildlife. With better management of snowmelt, more efficient irrigation technologies, and farmers transferring to less water intensive crops, we can grow more food with less water.

I urge you to protect our waterways! We are indeed suffering from the drought. But farmers need to shift to less water intensive crops. We cannot allow the fishing industry to die, and loose our essential waterways, because they cannot adjust. Please consider doing everything you can do to protect our waterways.

Sincerely,

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