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Dear Members of the California State Water Resources Control Board,

After researching the Substitute Environmental Document, I wanted to offer my thoughts on this proposal. If this additional flow of water is designed to improve the fish populations and the general Ecosystem of the Delta, then I feel the same desired result could be obtained by not allowing the towns and cities along the the Sacramento River, and its tributaries including the Delta, to continue dumping their city sewage wastes into these waters. It would seem to me, a much wiser method to dispose of this so called treated waste water would be to find a use for it in agriculture such as irrigating Alfalfa, Corn, Barley, etc. that is used for animal feeds.

As far as the declining fish populations, I doubt the Striped Bass is on that list. On the contrary, the non-native Striped Bass is probably the reason that certain species of fish are declining. I suggest removing all fishing restrictions on the size and limit of Striped Bass caught. These predatory fish are eating machines and my guess is that they are eating most of the Salmon fingerlings as they try to make their way to the ocean and most likely consuming what ever Delta Smelt are still alive.

In closing, the production of food is basic to any advanced civilization. The country of Venezuela is learning this lesson the hard way, as I'm sure you are aware of. California farmers need water to grow the large amounts of food our country demands. Please keep this in mind when making policies that reduce water deliveries to farms and farmers.

Thank you, Jerry Doyel Kerman, CA

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