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To whom it may concern regarding water policies:

I live in the central Sierra Nevada area: North Fork, CA. We have several rivers in our area: Kings, San Juaquin, and the Merced. I am continually disappointed by the policies set forth by the California Water Control District. Why? Because there is little consideration for the oppinions of the people actually affected by the policies. It appears as though your decisions are often prescribed by special interest groups, who provide facts and figures regarding fish populations, water sheds and vegetation concerns. These facts and figures often are results of studies, which can be manipulated to demonstrate desired end results. I am not saying that fish and fowl are not important. That said, there has to be ways to meet and satisfy all concerns regarding water. In our area, water storage is of great concern. We have droughts and then years of rainfall in abundance. There are not enough storage facilities for our water. There are ways to meet both fish and agricultural concerns. Yet, the decisions made by your agency rather forget the latter.

I find that government has forgotten the reason they exist: By the people and FOR the people.

Please take into consideration the needs of your agricultural and rural community opinions. Our representatives are seldom taken seriously, and we as community voices are seldom heard.

This is specific to the Delta Plan, and also extends to water storage which is continually placed on the back burner.

Thank you for reading this.

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