



North Delta CARES Action Committee

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CWF Hearing Officers
State Water Resources Control Board
P.O. Box 100
Sacramento, CA 95812

Dear SWF Hearing Officers:

Re: DWR 3/28/18 Changes to CA Waterfix

North Delta CARES is a volunteer community organization in the North Delta. Our members will be at ground zero for the construction impacts of the new North Delta diversions. Our resources have been stretched responding to the Change Petition that was submitted.

The Department of Water Resources has continued to change the Delta tunnels project throughout the Hearing. On March 28, 2018, they publicly announced extensive changes to the physical footprint of the project, including moving the North tunnel alignment and moving the power line alignment.

This makes the maps of the project, submitted to meet the Board's regulations (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 23, section 794), obsolete. While we appreciate the reduction of noise impacts to the town of Hood, there are not sufficient details in DWR's announcement for us to even fully evaluate how the changes affect our North Delta community. We understand that there may be many more changes to the project. We have already submitted our case in chief, and there is very limited time to even prepare testimony for rebuttal. With our limited resources, we simply can't respond to all these changes to the project during the hearing.

Allowing these continuing changes is also simply unjust. The maps and a complete project description are required to be included in the Petition when it is filed. The Board should stay the Hearing until the Department of Water Resources has completed its design for the Waterfix project and fully disclosed the effects of all proposed changes in a certified Supplemental Environmental Impact Report. At that point, the protestants can review what testimony has been impacted by the changes to the petitioned project, and an informed discussion of necessary further proceedings can occur.

Sincerely,
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Barbara Daly

(for) North Delta CARES (Community Area Residents for Environmental Stability)

STATEMENT OF SERVICE
CALIFORNIA WATERFIX PETITION HEARING
Department of Water Resources and U.S. Bureau of Reclamation (Petitioners)

I hereby certify that I have this day submitted to the State Water Resources Control Board and caused a true and correct copy of the following document(s):

DWR 3/29/18 Changes to CA Waterfix

to be served by Electronic Mail (email) upon the parties listed in Table 1 of the Current Service List for the California WaterFix Petition Hearing, dated March 21, 2018, posted by the State Water Resources Control Board at http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/waterrights/water_issues/programs/bay_delta/california_waterfix/service_list.shtml

I certify that the foregoing is true and correct and that this document was executed on April 3, 2018.

Signature: /*original signed/ Barbara Daly*
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 (Community Area Residents for Environmental Stability)