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Dear Governor Brown,

I have lived in the San Joaquin County for my entire life and I regularly row on the Delta on a daily basis. I am opposed to the current water fix plan because I personally know how fragile our eco-system is in the Delta. Creating the "Tunnel" will destroy the San Joaquin Delta .

Please, Governor Brown, stop this project from occurring.

Sincerely,


Carol Coddington

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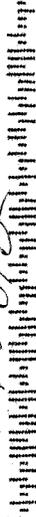
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I really think that the Governor should take a better look at what he's proposing. Not only are the Delta Tunnels going to ruin the Delta eco-system but the \$15 billion could be used to help build the Sites and the Temperance Flat Reservoirs

More water storage out weighs what the Delta Tunnels will accomplish. For instance if the New Melones dam wasn't built the farmers in the SSIID (South San Joaquin Irrigation District) would be in serious trouble. We survived this year because that dam was built years ago, and it's a shame that there hasn't been another one built since!

Thank you

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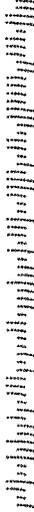
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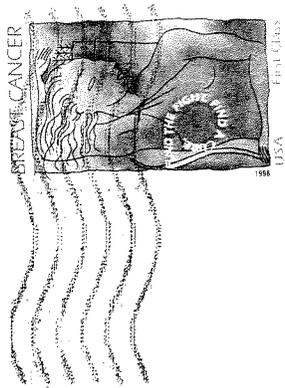
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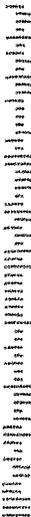
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Dear Sir/Madame;

Like most Californians, I am very concerned about the ability our agencies to provide enough quality water to continue our way of life. We all need to realize that there will need to be changes in the way we gain water, store and distribute and use water. There are a lot of valuable ways to help fix our water problems, but the Twin Tunnels Project is not one of them.

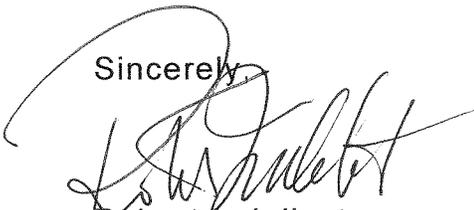
Whatever we do to "fix" our current situation, we must not waste our resources with projects that are wrong in so many ways.

Let's not waste billions on the TWIN Tunnels project as it does nothing to improve the availability of water; it only moves the limited fresh water that we have to areas that need it, but does not address the damage these tunnels will do to our ecosystem, or our economy.

With that said, we need to actually find ways to increase the supply of fresh water, learn how to store it most effectively and learn how to "not use" as much water in all the things we do that requires fresh water.

Please stop the Twin Tunnels Project.

Sincerely,



Robert Indelicato

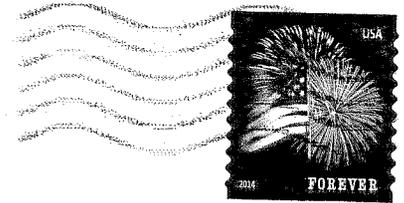
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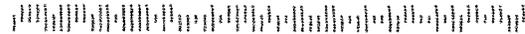
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RE: Oppose the Delta Tunnels/California Water Fix Alternative

To Whom it May Concern:

I am writing to express my strong opposition to the Delta Tunnels plan.

In the Delta Reform Act of 2009, the California State Legislature committed to "coequal goals" of providing a more reliable water supply for California, as well as protecting and restoring the cultural, recreational, natural resource, and agricultural values of the Delta. Unfortunately, the intent of this legislation cannot be achieved if the Delta tunnels come to pass.

Not only does the California Water Fix fail to meet the restoration goals of the Delta Reform Act, it will not be able to provide more reliable water, because the Delta watershed is already oversubscribed by five times its capacity in normal water years.

The plan also fails to address potential environmental, public health or economic impacts of the proposed Delta tunnels project, and has ignored proposed alternatives that would save California tax and ratepayers billions of dollars, while investing in the jobs and local water sources that would build sustainable

For large metropolitan cities such as Los Angeles and San Jose that depend on export water, water rates and/or property taxes will go up, but they will get no additional water.

No analysis has been done on how the lack of fresh water flows will impact San Francisco Bay tourism and recreation. These industries depend on Delta fresh water flows for their crab and salmon fisheries, wildlife sighting, boating, and their restaurant economy. This industry is worth billions annually.

Salinity intrusion is already impacting the western Delta farms - removing Sacramento River freshwater from the system will only make matters worse. Delta farmers cannot irrigate crops with salt water and they will not be able to plant crops in contaminated soils. The Delta Ag economy, which consists of generations of family farms and farm workers, generates \$5.2 billion for the California economy, annually.

Far less expensive and less environmentally destructive alternatives to the Delta Tunnels have been largely ignored. **Our tax and ratepayer dollars would be much better spent on:**

- Funding water recycling and groundwater recharging projects statewide, which would allow communities to develop more sustainable and independent water sources.

• Streamlining environmental review for water storage, desalination, water recycling, and other projects that will increase our water supply.

- Developing more aggressive water efficiency programs statewide.
- Improving Delta levees in order to address potential earthquake, flooding, and future sea level rise at a cost of \$2 to \$4 billion.

• Maintaining fish screens at the south Delta pumps in order to reduce the current salvage of marine life.

The Delta has problems that need to be addressed, but the CA Water Fix tunnels will not produce more water, more reliable supplies, or improve environmental conditions in the Delta.

The Bureau of Reclamation and the Department of Water Resources should prepare and circulate a new Draft EIR/EIS that will include some of these alternatives. Such alternatives have a far better chance of complying with the Delta Reform Act and will do much more to increase water supply in regions throughout California.

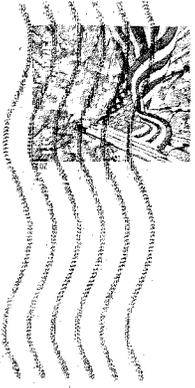
Finally, please explain to me how diverting billions of gallons of water to southern California will "produce more water."

Best regards,

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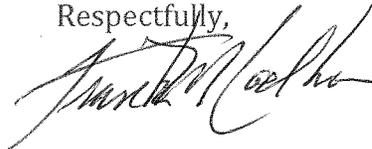
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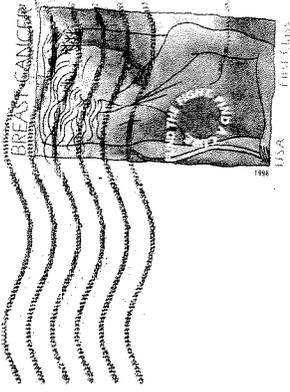
Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Frank M. Coelho". The signature is fluid and cursive, written over the word "Respectfully,".

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To whom it may concern

December 7th 1941, my parents, John and Lorraine are married, all soldiers leaves are canceled and are to report immediately to their posts.

March 3, 1943 I John Jr was born in Stockton, California.

1945 4 years 8 months so many days later father comes home. When he arrived home he rented land on share rent and began farming with another returning soldier.

1950, I am seven years old, my father was able to make a down payment on 252 acres of Delta land on lower Roberts Island. It was a pretty wild place then, completely over grown with willows and huge cottonwood trees in some places. I "helped" with my little hatchet that father bought for me. Little did I know, the fresh water that was coming down the San Joaquin River was being diverted, by the Friant Dam, for southern farms and cities. I actually drank from the river at that time. Now hardly any fresh water comes down the San Joaquin river to the farm, that my wife and I bought from my parents. I remember the times that thousands of Thredfin shad covered the water on their annual spawning runs up the San Joaquin river, not for many years past.

Sixty seven years have passed since Friant Dam began diverting water from the San Joaquin, we defeated the plan of southern interests to send their polluted waste to us, via the San Luis Drain. The canal to take more South and now comes Southern gov Brown and his

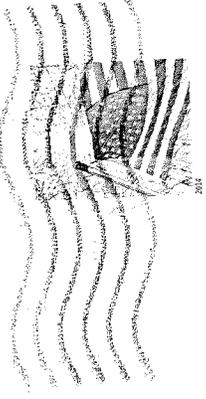
forty foot tunnels. Take fresh water, up river by Sacramento, away from the Delta and pass it underground not through the Delta. Passing this fresh water through the Delta would keep salt water from encroaching and ruining our land. It would also keep our levees from drying out and they would not fail if a surge of water comes against them in winter or spring snow melt.

Southern governor Brown says the water will only be diverted when the Delta has surplus water. Southern plantings of thousands of acres of permanent crops have been planted, that were not supposed to have been. Water was diverted numerous times when it shouldn't have been. Southern water divertors have had so much surplus water, that they have been selling water to others at unbelievable prices. I would bet most of you that are going to decide the future of the Delta already know what's going on. Let southern interests take all the fresh water away from the Delta, let the Delta salt up, kill the Delta fishery and also harm San Francisco Bay. Let southern water divertors sell more water, make more profit for them. Grant them water rights in perpetuity. I have 1867 patented water rights which "shut up" southern gov Brown threatened to take this year and send to 1950 water right southern interests.

I am 72 years old, my grandson Raymond is eighteen he began farming the 252 acres this year, please don't destroy the Delta, our farm, our way of life.

Stop the Tunnels
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LETTER IN OPPOSITION TO THE DELTA TUNNELS

These Twin Delta Tunnels must NOT be built!

This is a ploy by Jerry Brown to send water from Northern California to big Agribusiness in Southern California with no regard as to the consequences for the Delta area, the fish, the wildlife, the environment, local farms and businesses, the people and the availability of water to Northern Californians.

The iconic Sacramento River will be deprived of fresh water so that minimal yields of untreated and unreliable water can be sent south. No new water is coming from the plan. This is ridiculous.

This the second attempt to steal water from Northern California. Jerry Brown's father tried when he put his Peripheral Canal plan on the ballot. That failed miserably when something like 97% of Northern Californians voted against it even though the south had and has a much larger population! Population numbers must not make it right.

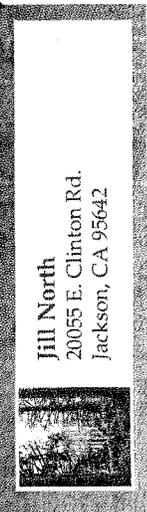
There is no economic benefit from this project. It will cost tens of Billions of dollars with only a possibility of getting any water versus the consequences. That money needs to be spent statewide instead, to improve infrastructure and not to benefit Big Business once again!

The fact that the proponents of the EIR omitted facts and actually lied about others is criminal. The people don't even have a public vote.

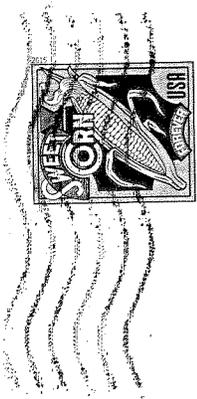
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To whom it may concern:

We live in the area that is designated as the "Delta" and are against the building of the tunnels. The "Delta" is suffering already as a result of water problems and the tunnels will only make it worse.

Southern Calif. needs to find other ways of solving their water issues.

STOP THE TUNNELS Gov. Brown
is wrong!!!

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SUBJECT: DELTA CONSERVATION PLAN

SIRS,

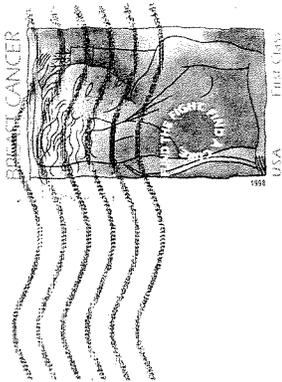
This diversion PLAN is Bad for THE DELTA and for California. THE PLAN is designed to benefit Huge Corporation Farms and Agribusiness in the Western San Joaquin Valley AT THE EXPENSE OF THE ENVIRONMENT AND THE PEOPLE OF CALIFORNIA. THE Selenium problem MAKES these AREAS UNSUITABLE for farming without a huge influx of clean water.

AS A RESIDENT OF SOUTHERN CAL. I VIGOROUSLY oppose this project. IT IS PRIMARILY proposed for the benefit of BUSINESS AT THE EXPENSE OF OUR MONEY AND WATER, NOT TO MENTION THE IMPACT ON WILDLIFE AND THE ENVIRONMENT.

Yours Respectfully,

Kenneth Vernon
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BCCP,

I am a fourth generation farmer who grew up in the Delta helping my father over the years as he invested his capital and time in farming several of the Delta islands, including King, Liberty, Victoria, Bouldin, Terminous, Holland Tract and Jones Tract. The whole Delta region is one of a kind, providing fertile ground to grow various crops, a home for a variety of wildlife and fish, along with offering the opportunity for families to experience boating. The Delta is a way of life with many people living right on the water. My father and other Delta farmers spent years maintaining the levees and roads to grow food and provide access to those wanting to enjoy the many facets of the Delta.

Shipping the water to southern California is not going to provide more water, it will merely spread the water out over the state. Many experts believe the fine balance that makes the Delta so special, will be jarred if the water flow to the Delta is impeded.

The proposed tunnels will cost many millions of dollars but will not provide for any additional water. The risk is that the diversion of water from the Delta, will allow the salt to be more intrusive, resulting in problems in growing crops in the region, as well as rattle the sensitive ecosystem. If the islands become non-productive for agriculture, then there will be a domino effect with the islands not being maintained. The

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whole Delta way of life will begin to crumble and the plentiful natural elements making up the Delta will vanish over time.

My father and others over the years have made their living by maintaining these island so that the protective peat dirt could provide some amazing foods. Why should all their toils over the years be put in jeopardy because real estate developers built homes in areas where they shouldn't have? It is ironic that you want to take our water which may end the Delta as we know it, and you want us to pay for it. I have never believed that two wrongs make a right.

Please stop this non-sense as our lives are at stake. It is unfortunate there is a lack of water in some parts of the state, putting us farmers out of business is not the answer. As we are enduring the drought that effects the whole state, let us put our thoughts and funds toward providing more water storage to preserve what we get and have some left over to use when there is a lack of rainfall. I hope the future generations are able to enjoy the Delta as I have over the many years.

Appreciate your concern,

David Moresco



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To whom it may concern,
 I want you to know as a California tax payer, I am not in favor of the Sacramento - San Joaquin Delta Tunnels. It will cause harm to the Delta. Further more it would be a severely negative impact on delta communities, nearly 4 million people, including 2,500 farmers. The cost is way more than we need to be spending. Especially when we are spending billions on illegal immigrants, and cant even take care of our own old people. I dont think we should even be sending our water down south, unless we have a surplus. If people want to live in the southern part of California, let them pay the price to desalt their water. I believe this is just as big of waste of our money, as the hi speed rail.

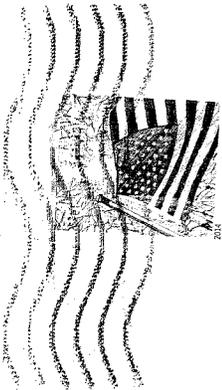
P.S.
 This wont fix any water needs!

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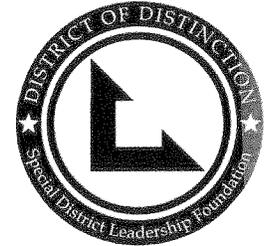
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Subject: Town of Discovery Bay Community Services District Comments on the Recirculated Draft Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Impact Statement for the Bay Delta Conservation Plan/California WaterFix

To Whom It May Concern:

The Town of Discovery Bay appreciates the opportunity to review and comment on the Recirculated Draft Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Impact Statement for the Bay Delta Conservation Plan/California WaterFix. This letter provides the Town's comments in accordance with the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), CEQA Guidelines, and the National Environmental Protection Act (NEPA).

The Town of Discovery Bay, located in eastern Contra Costa County, is the largest residential water based community on the environmentally sensitive California Delta. The Delta is the lifeblood of our community. The Delta and its ecosystem singularly sustain the largest estuary on the Pacific Coast and it is home to a myriad of fish, waterfowl, and mammals, many of them endangered. The Delta offers countless recreational opportunities as well, including boating, fishing, bird watching, hunting and many others. Most importantly, however, the Delta is also home to the farms and fields that feed America.

This revised iteration of the BDCP, proposed Alternative 4A and referred to as California WaterFix, proposes to make physical and operational improvements to the State and Federal water projects in the Delta claiming to protect reliable future water supplies and to restore and protect ecosystem health in the Delta. Unfortunately, California WaterFix fails to accomplish either of these purposes and the RDEIR/RDEIS inadequately analyses impacts to the Delta ecosystem, water quality and supply, and communities.

The Town of Discovery Bay Community Services District Board of Directors believe that implementation of the BDCP, and particularly the construction of the dual conveyance system allegedly designed to reduce the amount of fresh Sacramento River water flowing into and through the Delta, would cause additional and significant deterioration of an already sensitive Delta ecosystem. The Town submitted comments to that effect in June 2014 in response to the initial release of the BDCP and DEIR/DEIS. California WaterFix does nothing to remedy the concerns expressed therein, but rather heightens those concerns due to the removal of environmental protection and enhancement measures, and the Town readopts its comments previously submitted.

The Town submits the following additional comments regarding the proposed California WaterFix and RDEIR/RDEIS:

The proposed project would have significant negative impacts to boating and recreation in the Delta. The Town's location in the heart of the Delta makes it an ideal community to benefit from all the Delta has to offer. Town residents and visitors utilize the Delta waterways for boating and recreation year-round, and such activities are vital to the cultural and economic well-being of the Town. The operation and construction of the tunnels will obstruct and disable navigable water ways for boating, marinas and other types of leisure activities, in addition to creating conditions of low water flow that will foster

invasive aquatic species, such as water hyacinth. Poor water quality also creates unsafe recreation. Recreation and tourism in the Delta generate \$750 million annually. The RDEIR/RDEIS fail to analyze the recreational, cultural, and economic impacts that the Town and other Delta communities will suffer due to the proposed project.

Impacts to the Town's municipal water supply and management have not been considered. The tunnels will cause increased contamination of municipal water, discharge systems, and wells for the millions of rural and urban residents living in the five Delta counties. The Town obtains all of its municipal water supply from a system of groundwater wells throughout the community. Although Town pumping occurs in the confined aquifer underlying the community, the proximity to the Delta waterways and neighboring agricultural operations which apply Delta water raises concerns that the Town's municipal supply may be impacted in the future as Delta waterways become more saline. Similarly, the Town discharges treated wastewater pursuant to an NPDES permit. The conditions included in the permit were created and are dependent on the ambient conditions of the Delta. The proposed project will alter the makeup of the Delta which may affect the ongoing viability of the permit conditions. The RDEIR/RDEIS fail to consider possible impacts to the Town's municipal water supply and treated wastewater discharge operations.

How levee failures would affect water operations, and how implementation of the proposed project would affect the economics of levee maintenance, have not been analyzed. The RDEIR/RDEIS should assess the environmental impact with respect to implementing California WaterFix and the potential of levee failure by examining the consequences each may have for the other. The RDEIR/RDEIS cites levee fragility as a reason to build an isolated conveyance for Sacramento River water. See examples at pp. 1-1, 1-7, 1-9. Levee concerns are also referenced on the California WaterFix website. However, the RDEIR/RDEIS offers no analysis of how levee failures would affect the short- and long-term water operations of the proposed project. Also lacking in the RDEIR/RDEIS, and of great import to the Town and other Delta communities, is an analysis of how implementing the project would affect the State's priorities for investing in Delta levees. This potential impact is illustrated by the fact that scoring systems of levee-project proposals for State funding award points for expected benefits to "export water supply reliability." See recent DWR Solicitation Package for Multi-Benefit Projects relating to Delta Levees Special Flood Control Projects, issued June 13, 2014. The RDEIR/RDEIS fails to analyze whether levee maintenance, and the communities and economies dependent on that maintenance, will suffer impacts from the proposed project.

Feasible alternatives exist that have not been evaluated. Far less expensive and less environmentally destructive alternatives to the dual conveyance component of the proposed BDCP have largely been ignored. The decision-making process and environmental documentation does not seriously consider any alternatives other than new upstream conveyance and has rather prioritized increasing water exports from the Delta. Tax and ratepayer dollars would be much better spent on a myriad of alternative projects that focus on storage, self-efficiency, and sustainability

- New surface water storage projects that will result in "new water" added to the State's water resources
- Statewide water efficiency programs that would apply to both urban and agricultural users
- Water recycling and groundwater recharging projects that would promote sustainability in communities in which the projects are conducted
- Retiring thousands of acres of impaired and pollution-generating farmlands in the southern San Joaquin Valley and using those lands for more sustainable and profitable uses, such as solar energy generation
- Improving Delta levees in order to address potential earthquake, flooding, and future sea level rise concerns
- Increasing freshwater flows through the Delta to reduce pollutants and restore ecosystems and wildlife
- Installing fish screens at the south Delta pumps to reduce the current salvage of marine life

The technical evaluation, public review, and regulatory approval process of the proposed project is being subverted. Recently, DWR and USBR jumped the gun to file a water rights application for new points of diversion for the tunnels with the State Water Resources Control Board, assuming that the project complies with all applicable state and federal laws and regulations. On the contrary, compliance is highly doubtful. In addition to the water rights filing, USBR petitioned the Army Corps of Engineers for permission to perform dredge and fill construction activities for the water tunnels long before the project has received other necessary approvals. This heightens the perception that DWR and USBR are trying to force the project through administrative channels without proper review and without considering realistic and prudent alternatives.

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Moreover, this abridgment of the regulatory approval process effectively curbs the opportunity for public review and participation. The agencies' actions with the State Water Board and the Corps of Engineers are premature and should be withdrawn. This issue is too important, with too many significant statewide impacts, to act presumptively.

The dual conveyance system, in its present proposed alignment, crosses directly in, through and adjacent to the Town of Discovery Bay on its way to the Clifton Court Forebay. The environmental impacts that will be caused as a result of the construction and ongoing project maintenance will forever change the relationship between the Discovery Bay community, the environmental stewardship of the Delta, and the economic and significant cultural resources of the Delta region. These significant impacts are not adequately addressed in the RDEIR/RDEIS.

The proposed BDCP and California WaterFix will not resolve California's ongoing water issues. Rather, it will degrade the Delta environment, ecosystem, and communities.

Based on the comments provided above and those of the other Delta Initiative stakeholders, the Town believes that the proposed California WaterFix and RDEIR/RDEIS are technically and legally inadequate, as they do not comply with the provisions of CEQA, CEQA Guidelines, and NEPA. Reclamation and DWR should prepare and circulate a revised BDCP and accompanying environmental documents that include alternatives that reduce water exports and increase Delta flows for consideration by the public and decision-makers.

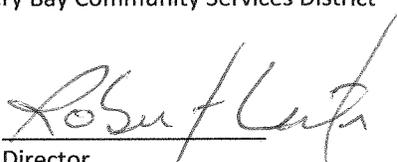
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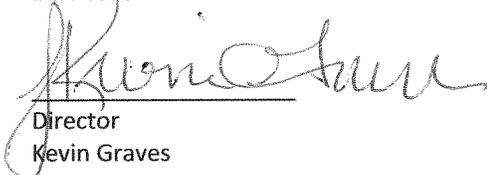
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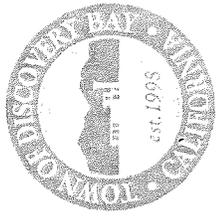
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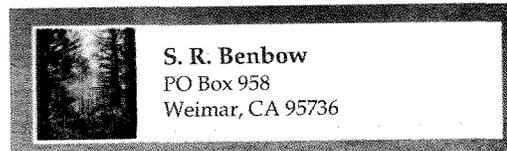
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BCDP/water Fix
Sacramento, Calif.

Dear Sir;

Subject: #1. Political Water Grab.
#2. Attachment 1; Comments, 5/17/14
#3 Letter to Gov. Brown, 2/12/12

The subject #1 finally anoints the Delta water tunnel mess, aka, Water Fix, with an accurate and proper title! Except for the on-again-off-again water bond fiasco of 2012, the subjects #2 and 3 are just as valid now as they were the day they were written.

Since the good Governor will never again seek State-wide elective office, he should cease and desist this foolish campaign! Continuing to export scandalous lies and devious propoganda, does him no good. Making himself a sop to the mega-millions of GLAD voters is meaningless. He needs to take his ^{own} advice!... SHUT-UP!

Unless, and until the wicked 'Water Grab' is torpedoed, The Guv will get his legacy!... A vicious, insidious, black hole LEGACY!

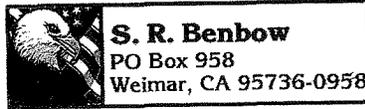
Respectfully, a rural thinker,

 A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Stan Benbow".

Stan Benbow

cc: Sen. Feinstein
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BDCP PLAN
650 Capitol Mall
Sacramento, Calif.

Gentlemen;

The BDCP (Tunnel) is a classic case of the tail wagging the dog! The Plan does not allow a single dollar for the conservation of Delta Habitat. There is also no improvement in the water supply to the 25M souls in the GLAD (Greater L.A. Desert) Basin, as promised. The Plan contains no funding nor proposals for same. It says the cost will be \$25B, but where are these \$\$?! The Plan has cleverly schemed to allow that "Users" will pay. Thus it is not a "Tax"! The Plan is subtly described as a Dept. of Water "Project". The \$25B is, itself, a 'blue sky' "WAG" (wild-a-- guess). If previous projects are any gauge (the Bay Bridge comes to mind) the cost will be at least \$100B!

In addition to the 25M desert dwellers in GLAD, two San Joaquin Valley irrigation districts have tenuously "signed on". But they know that \$25B is a POLITICAL number, and has no connection to REAL COSTS!

In view of all the above HUGE flaws, with the Plan hierarchy making no attempts to recincile any of them, all the reviewers must know that the PLAN is neither a Water Plan nor a Conservation Plan, but a POLITICIAN'S statement of scheming and prejudice!

Finally, wouldn't it be a blessing if all of the "Power Brokers" could come to grips with LOGIC? If the \$100B were spent on several giant Salt Water Conversion plants on the GLAD Coast, 25M Desert Dwellers would finally have their self-owned water supply! After 100 years of deceitfully pilfering water owned by others (remember the Owens Valley plundering) L.A. Water, aka MWD, could hold its head high by actually building its own water system! The good Governor could even shut down, dismantle, and donate the monstrous, power hungry Grapevine pumps to the self-owned GLAD Water System!

Hopefully,

S.R. Benbow

cc: Sen. Feinstein
" Boxer
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" McClintock
" LaMalfa
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OPEN LETTER TO GOVERNOR BROWN

SUBJECT: CALIFORNIA WATER: FINAL SOLUTION

'Never have so many been so expertly duped by so few'. This paraphrase of Winston Churchill is apt. Nearly one hundred years ago the city fathers of the desert town of Los Angeles determined that to attract Eastern immigrants they needed more water - LOTS more! They settled on a plan to swindle water from a mountain river 200 miles to the north. The Owens River watershed by name. The swindle worked. 200 miles of canals, ditches, and tubes brought gobs of water to GLAD (Greater Los Angeles Desert) Basin. So much water that the city fathers promised each and every immigrant they could have water for LAWNS!

This con-job proved hard to satisfy. When the thousands of immigrants became millions, water ran short. The then (1930's) established monopoly called Los Angeles Water Co., schemed to take other States' water from the Colorado River. This worked fine for about 1 generation of time. When the 'other States' wanted their water back, L.A. Water became desperate. They determined more schemes and dupes were necessary. More schemes and dupes prevailed. Amazingly, L.A. Water, aka MWD, has, over this span of 100 years, successfully provided its millions of immigrants with other peoples water. Not only domestic water, but LUXURY LAWN water! Research tells us that a vast majority of the GLAD citizenry do not know that every drop of their water is owned by others! They also don't know they live in a desert!

To correct this man-made monstrous INSANITY, the Governor should:

1. Declare an immediate State-Wide Water Emergency.
2. Outlaw the watering of lawns in ^{the}entire GLAD Basin. This would not be a first. Scores of towns and counties across the desert Southwest have not only banned lawn watering, but outlawed lawns themselves!
3. Direct the five counties comprising the GLAD Basin to form a Coalition for the specific mission to design, fund, and build several salt water conversion plants along the GLAD Basin coast line. Its a natural! Where else do 25 million desert denizens dwell on the very edge of an ocean? This, again, would not be a first. In 1931 a similar Coalition was formed to meet another California challenge. It was called the Golden Gate Bridge! The combined population of those seven counties was less than 1 MILLION!
4. On a schedule and level-of-effort as determined by the Coalition, order the gigantic pumps at the bottom of the Grapevine south of Bakersfield to be shut down, disassembled, and transported to sites directed by the

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4. - (contin.)

Coalition. These delivered pumps will be the State's gift contribution to the POW (Pacific Ocean Water) Project.

5. Direct L.A. Water to 'Cease and desist' from further cunning and covert searches for far-away water holes under the domain of far-away owners.
6. Kill the Water Bond measure now pending before the ballot. It is a known fact that its design and formulation was accomplished by shady influence peddlers and shady politicians. Its a LOSER. It deserves to DIE!
7. Order the educational institutions (school districts, cities/towns, colleges, or even the Coalition itself) whichever is appropriate, or all of them, to commence a massive educational program for the use and obtainability of water in deserts in general, and the GLAD Basin in particular.

The wild-card in the GLAD/POW Overhaul Project is, of course, L.A. Water. Their position would be critical to the missions success or failure. It appears likely they would adopt one of the following:

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 1. Simply take a passive wait-and-see position, and hope it fails, thus securing their continued super-power status.
 2. Continue their long proved practice of 'cunning and covert' searching, despite the Governor's order to 'Cease and Desist'. Old habits are hard to break.
 3. Join the County Coalition's mission. Their great depth in technical skills and resources would ensure the Overhaul Project's success. It would certainly not dilute their super_{ing} status, but more likely enhance it. One must remember_a super-power position was not created by stupid moves.

Finally, if the GLAD/POW Mission, or something like it, is not undertaken, and soon, three major tragedies will result, the first posed as a question:

1. Can the super-powerful L.A. Water Monopoly decide the fate of ALL of California's water? ^{not} Or is it already a fete accompli? Even L.A. Water may_a know the answer, but its most certainly a scary thought!
2. A major chunk of the most prolific and advanced food producing region of the planet, known as the California Central Valley, will revert to its native state: ADESERT!

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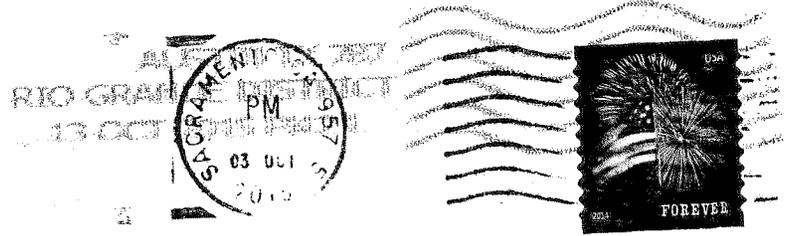
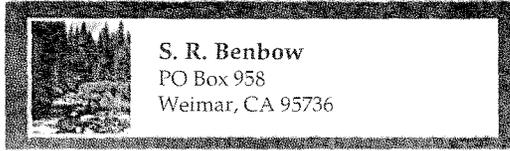
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The sacred and sensitive estuary formed by the convergence of the Sacramento-SanJuaquin River Systems, known as the "Delta", will morph into a SALT-WATER SWAMP!



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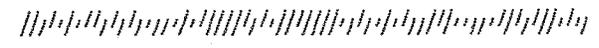


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Reasons

The Bay Delta Conservation Plan/California WaterFix
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ENDING ON OCTOBER 30!

San Joaquin County residents have a unique opportunity to have their voices heard by submitting comments or resubmitting previously sent comments.

Mail: BDCP/WaterFix Comments, P.O. Box 1919, Sacramento, CA 95812
or **Email:** BDCPComments@icfi.com

FAST FACTS

- Under the Governor's plan, the California Department of Water Resources and U.S. Bureau of Reclamation are taking public comments on the Bay Delta Conservation Plan/California WaterFix.
- The project would build three giant water intakes, each longer than three football fields, to draw water from the Sacramento River to feed through the tunnels.
- The project could cause further harm to the unique and fragile Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta.
- The WaterFix does not provide a single drop of new water and could severely impact Delta communities.
- The Delta region is home to nearly 4 million people, including 2,500 farmers who contribute \$2 billion to California's economy each year.
- At an estimated cost of \$15 billion, the people of California deserve a better solution and a more prudent investment to address the state's water supply needs.

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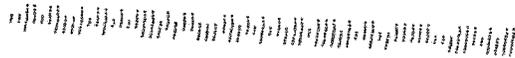
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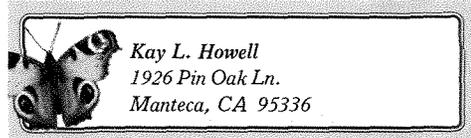


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Ms. Kay L. Howell



Oct. 15, 2015

To: BDCP/ Water Fix Comments

Gentlemen:

As both a homeowner and registered voter in San Joaquin County, I'm writing to express my total and complete opposition to the proposed Delta Tunnels project.

Thank you,

Kay L. Howell



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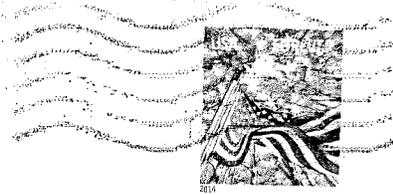
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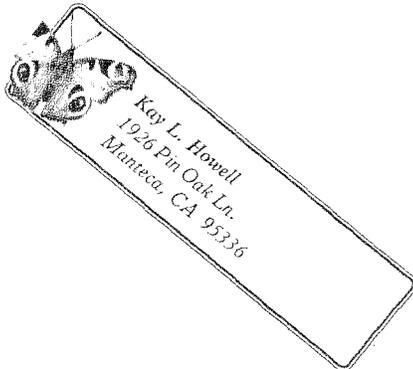


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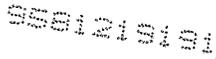
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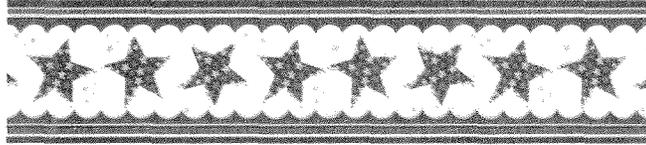


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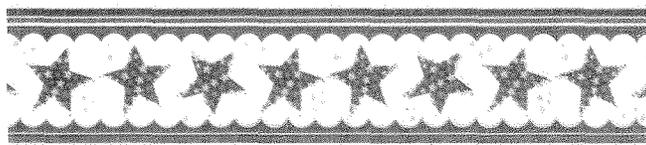
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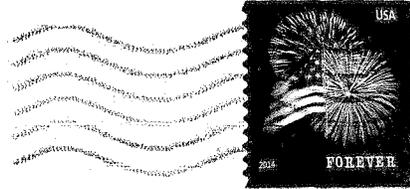
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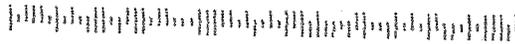


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Dear STATE DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES. ^{10/10/15}

I AM A FOURTH GENERATION RESIDENT OF SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY RAISING THE FIFTH AND NOW SIX GENERATION ON OUR FARM IN LODI, CA.

I AM URGING & PLEADING WITH YOU NOT TO BUILD THE TUNNELS AND ~~DEVASTATE~~ THE ECONOMY OF MY HOME & NEIGHBORS.

PLEASE LOOK TO THE VIABLE SOLUTIONS OF BUILDING MORE WATER STORAGE & DESALINATION, AMONG OTHERS. WE DEPEND ON

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THIS AGENCY AND THE GOVERNOR TO MAKE PRUDENT DECISIONS TO HELP ALL CALIFORNIANS WITHOUT DESTROYING THE BEAUTY, VIABILITY & LIVELIHOOD OF THOSE LIVING IN THE CENTRAL VALLEY.

THANK YOU IN ADVANCE FOR YOUR COMMITMENT TO PRESERVE AND PROTECT THE DELTA & OUR LOCAL WAY OF LIFE.

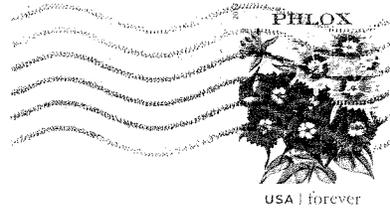
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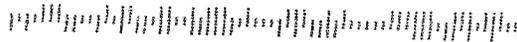
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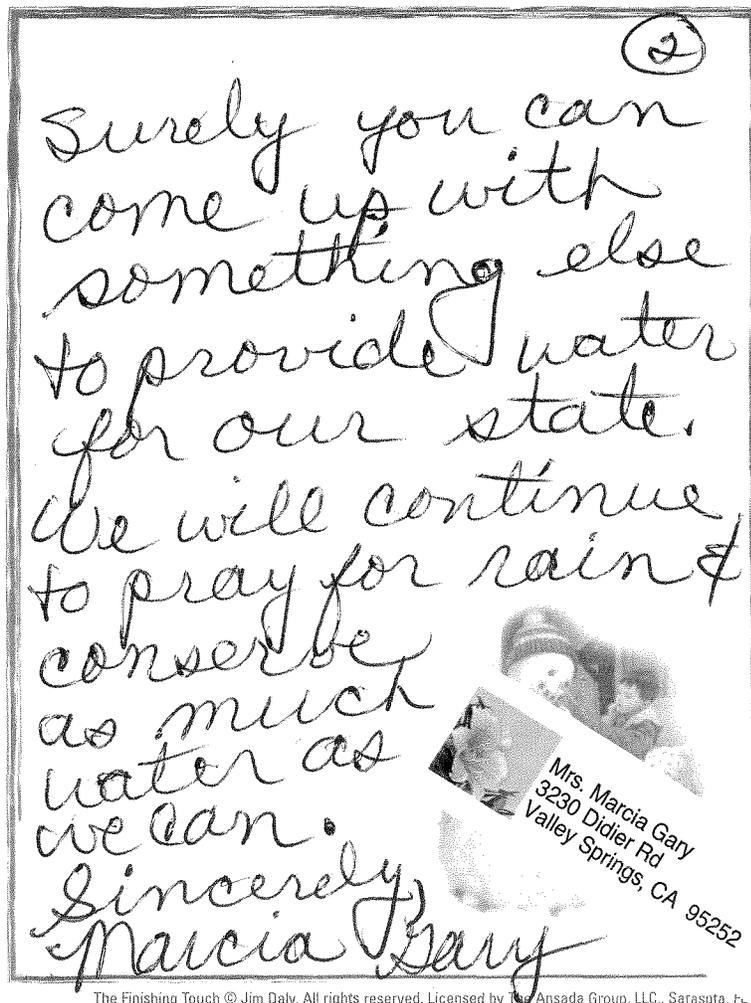


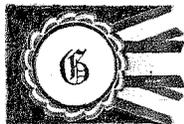
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Please stop the building
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economy of my home state!

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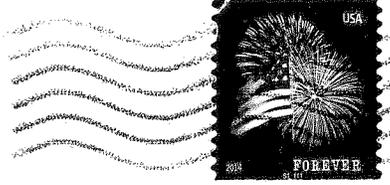
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From: Earthjustice <action@earthjustice.org> on behalf of Jamie Dobbs
<info@earthjustice.org>
Sent: Tuesday, October 20, 2015 11:23 AM
To: BDCPcomments
Subject: Oppose the Delta Tunnels/"California Water Fix" (Alternative 4A)

Oct 20, 2015

Bay Delta Conservation Plan
CA

Dear Conservation Plan,

Think about the long term effects on our environment and our economy.
This proposal would devastate our ecology! We simply do not have enough water to allow big ag grow massive crops in California's desert. It's time to conserve our water use, not divert it irresponsibly.

I am writing to express my strong opposition to the Delta Tunnels Plan.

The deceptively named "California Water Fix" does not address the multitude of adverse environmental, public health, and economic impacts the proposed Delta tunnels project would cause. Further, the plan ignores alternatives that would save California tax- and ratepayers billions of dollars, while investing in jobs and local water sources that build sustainability, instead of severely damaging the Delta and Bay ecosystems.

I urge you not to permit the Delta Tunnels/California Water Fix (Alternative 4A) project to move forward.

Sincerely,

Ms. Jamie Dobbs
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jamieraedobbs@gmail.com

From: Raetta Schatz <rjrmschatz@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, October 20, 2015 9:48 AM
To: BDCPcomments
Subject: water

Stop this poor decision-Drawing water out of the river - causes harm to the Delta-causes harm to farming in the Delta- does not provide any new water - the financial investment in this project is a total waste of taxpayers money - a better consideration would be to build more dams- Raetta Schatz

From: Kim Carmichael <kimbruce.car@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, October 20, 2015 11:42 AM
To: BDCPcomments; senator.wolk@senate.ca.gov
Subject: Delta Tunnel Plan

To Whom It May Concern:

We are 100% against the controversial tunnel plan for the Sacramento-San Joaquin River Delta. Not only will the plan destroy the Delta, it will tax the citizens of California with billions of dollars of debt. Economically, it is totally out of scale with the water supply benefits it *might* provide. California's budget is already very precariously balanced. Though job reports show unemployment is down, these reports do not take into consideration the type of jobs people are working in and the salaries they are being paid. When these facts are looked at, we *are not* out of the recession. The citizens of California cannot afford to take on billions dollars more debt for a project that destroys parts of northern California and will not be cost effective in anyway in providing water to Southern California.

Please do not allow this project to be proceed. It will destroy the Delta, saddle California citizens with mountains of debt, and will not provide a cost effective solution to Southern California's water problem.

Sincerely,
Bruce and Kim Carmichael
824 Granada Ln.
Vacaville, CA 95688

From: Wanda Whitaker <wdwhit@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, October 20, 2015 1:24 PM
To: BDCPcomments
Subject: The Bay Delta Conservation Plan/California WaterFix

As citizens of Manteca, we do not approve, now do we want this plan to go forward!

The last several years of scarce water have made us even more doubtful that this would help our farmers and the communities of the Central Valley.

Please do not go forward with this plan!

William and Wanda Whitaker
Manteca, Ca. 95336

From: Laura <lilipner@comcast.net>
Sent: Tuesday, October 20, 2015 1:20 PM
To: BDCPcomments
Subject: Delta Tunnels Public Comment

Dear Bay Delta Conservation Committee:

As a resident of San Joaquin County, I would like to take this opportunity to voice my opposition to the Bay Delta Conservation Plan/California WaterFix (“Delta Tunnels”) proposed project. I am extremely concerned as to how this project will impact the citizens, businesses, and wildlife of the San Joaquin Valley. Under the Governor’s plan this project will cause further harm to the unique and fragile Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta. It is unbelievable to me that such a proposal is being made when this region has been so severely impacted by the current drought. This project does not provide new water to our region yet it is a plan is to ship the water we do have, south.

Southern California has not placed any restrictions on land development or the giant agribusiness corporations. This harkens back to a similar situation—when Los Angeles in the 1800’s outgrew its water supply. At that point, water was diverted from the Owens Valley to Los Angeles via an aqueduct. Since 1913 the Owens River has been diverted to Los Angeles causing the ruin of that valley’s economy. Los Angeles’ water needs continued to grow and in 1941 Los Angeles diverted water that previously fed Mono Lake, north of Owens Valley. The lake’s ecosystem for migrating birds was so threatened by dropping water levels that between 1979 and 1994 litigation forced Los Angeles to stop diverting water from around Mono Lake and the lake is starting to rise back to a level which can support it’s ecosystem.

The Delta Tunnels Project is simply another grab for our precious resource. We cannot afford to have such a project similarly impact the

Delta region. We cannot afford to have it effect the wildlife of the Delta or effect the approximately 4 million people, including 2,500 farmers who contribute \$2 billion to California's economy each year. At an estimated cost of \$15 billion, we deserve a better solution and a more prudent investment to address the state's water supply needs.

I sincerely urge you to reconsider and end this proposal.

Yours Truly,
Laura Lipner, Retired Teacher
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Sent: Tuesday, October 20, 2015 5:12 PM
To: BDCPcomments
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Bay Delta Conservation Plan
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Dear Conservation Plan,

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This is not the solution to California's water crisis. Lets demand Big Ag take some responsibility for their part in water conservation instead of rewarding them with these tunnels.

I am writing to express my strong opposition to the Delta Tunnels Plan.

The deceptively named "California Water Fix" does not address the multitude of adverse environmental, public health, and economic impacts the proposed Delta tunnels project would cause. Further, the plan ignores alternatives that would save California tax- and ratepayers billions of dollars, while investing in jobs and local water sources that build sustainability, instead of severely damaging the Delta and Bay ecosystems.

I urge you not to permit the Delta Tunnels/California Water Fix (Alternative 4A) project to move forward.

Sincerely,

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From: Earthjustice <action@earthjustice.org> on behalf of Lisa Lourenco <info@earthjustice.org>
Sent: Tuesday, October 20, 2015 5:19 PM
To: BDCPcomments
Subject: Oppose the Delta Tunnels/"California Water Fix" (Alternative 4A)

Oct 20, 2015

Bay Delta Conservation Plan
CA

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Please protect California's Water!

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From: Earthjustice <action@earthjustice.org> on behalf of Brian Hunwick
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Sent: Tuesday, October 20, 2015 9:53 PM
To: BDCPcomments
Subject: Oppose the Delta Tunnels/"California Water Fix" (Alternative 4A)

Oct 20, 2015

Bay Delta Conservation Plan
CA

Dear Conservation Plan,

Please maintain the natural flow of the Sacramento River. 35 mile long tunnels are not an appropriate "fix" for California's water shortage.

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Sincerely,

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From: Friends of the River <info@friendsoftheriver.org> on behalf of Elizabeth Lynch <info@friendsoftheriver.org>
Sent: Wednesday, October 21, 2015 4:56 AM
To: BDCPcomments
Subject: I oppose all alternatives in the Revised BDCP that propose construction of new diversions and tunnels under the Delta

Oct 21, 2015

BDCP Comments

Dear Comments,

Thank you for receiving public comments in response to the Recirculated Draft BDCP Plan and Draft EIR/EIS.

I oppose all alternatives in the BDCP that propose construction of new diversions and tunnels under the Delta. I oppose the project because:

It is too costly (up to \$54 billion with interest and other hidden costs) and the general public should not have to cover any of this outrageous, including habitat restoration costs. These should be paid by those who receive the water (since the Delta diversions degraded the habitat in the first place).

Operation of the diversions and tunnels threaten to dewater major upstream reservoirs in northern California and reduce downstream river flows, to the detriment of fish, wildlife, recreation, and other public trust values.

Diversion and tunnel facilities would adversely impact too much Delta farmland and habitat, harm Brannan Island State Park, infringe on the Stone Lakes National Wildlife Refuge, and degrade other essential conservation lands.

You cannot restore Delta habitat without first determining how much fresh water the Delta needs to survive and thrive. Restoration of fresh water flows from the San Joaquin River in the south Delta are particularly important.

The tunnels will need more upstream storage facilities to feed fresh water into them. These include raising Shasta Dam, building the Sites Reservoir, and possibly reviving the Auburn Dam on the American River and the Dos Rios Dam on the Eel. The environmental, cultural, and financial impacts of these controversial projects are a significant foreseeable but ignored impact of the BDCP.

I moved to California in 1978. Voters back then voted down measures to take Delta water for the southern part of the state. This has been an issue that keeps going on and on and has been voted down. Why doesn't the government listen to its voters.

The Tunnels do not address the issue that are too many people in California and California is growing. The tunnels would not satisfy the growth. So where would the water come from for all this growth?

I believe that the Revised BDCP should have included, and I would support, an alternative that significantly reduces Delta exports and focuses instead on restoring habitat and threatened and endangered species in the Delta, improves Delta water quality by providing sufficient fresh water inflow from both the Sacramento and San Joaquin Rivers, and that includes a pragmatic plan to sustainably meeting California's water needs. This can be done by increasing agricultural and urban water use efficiency, capturing and treating storm water, recycling urban waste water, cleaning up polluted

groundwater, and reducing irrigation of desert lands in the southern Central Valley with severe drainage problems. We don't need to build more dams or tunnels.

Thank you for considering my comments.

Sincerely,

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From: K Barrett <mormodes@hotmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, October 20, 2015 5:42 PM
To: BDCPcomments
Subject: Stop the Tunnels.

The proposed Bay Delta Conservation Plan (BDCP) or the California Water Fix should not go forward. Diverting water from the Delta of the Sacramento and San Joaquin rivers has been voted down twice by the people of the State of California. Not only are there environmental issues well-known but many water district managers agree that tunnels are not the solution. Why not listen to them? The pumping of aquifers in the lower San Joaquin valley has caused subsidence that we do not know the affect of yet. Why take water from the Delta and cause harm that we'll never be able to restore? If Jerry Brown wants to leave a legacy let him lead in solar energy and leave the water in the Delta alone.

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From: Richard Williams <boatertoboater@sbcglobal.net>
Sent: Tuesday, October 20, 2015 6:26 PM
To: BDCPcomments
Subject: STOP DELTA TUNNELS

Hello

This is Richard Williams, I'm 52 years young and a avid delta user. Have been for many years. I have also commercial fished king salmon for many years on our west coast oceans. I have lived in the bay area for the my 52 years. I been around the world and have experienced a great deal of cultures, and world wide environmental conditions. I'm also a very fair, reasonable and educated person.

It is obvious we have a very delicate eco-system and it is unfortunate that we are experiencing several years of drought. It is not a challenge at all to see that construction of underground tunnels to divert the Sacramento river around the delta to the aqueducts to move water does NOT MAKE WATER. It does not store water. It only moves existing water. From the eco-system side of this, the "delta" loses out based on the lack of fresh water flows through out the already thinly watered delta. By this I mean the system is already tasked with numerous users. Removing more fresh water will be a travesty with irreversible affects to OUR environment so that a few will prosper. (we all know who these special interest folks are)

I SAY NO TUNNELS! Just look at what is left from the Colorado river that use to flow to the Sea of Cortez in the gulf of Mexico. It no longer does.

Regards
Richard Williams

From: jeff zanardi <jzanardi@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, October 20, 2015 5:16 PM
To: BDCPcomments
Subject: I oppose the tunnels

I could cut and paste the suggested bullets that the opponents to the tunnels suggest, however I am choosing to make this real simple.....

Do what is right!

It does not take a rocket scientist to see that this plan is a complete exercise in futility.

- 1) 15 billion dollars in cost? enough said.... there is no tangible proof that the tunnels and the water supplied will off - set the billions to build
- 2) kill the lifeline of the states economy? - farming
- 3) virtually destroy the habitat and Eco system that inhabits the 1000's of miles of Delta Waterways and take decades for the salt water Eco system to form and become lively?

Governor Brown appears to be a smart man, I think his smarts have been muted by his desire to put his name on something that can compete with his fathers namesake the California aqueduct. He will do anything, even if it is a terrible idea to have his legacy coincide with his fathers!

Lets build some water repositories and do what is right for the long haul and right for the entire state, not what allows our Governor to see his name next to his fathers and for a few large lobbyist with deep pockets in the south!

The best way to determine if the tunnels are the right course of action would be not to let the politicians make the call, but rather to present it to the 8th grade students in the state. That is all the education and smarts one needs to see that this is all around a terrible plan and even worse for the state long term.

STOP THE TUNNELS -----

Jeff Zanardi

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From: Chris Middleton <chris@chrysalis-marketing.com>
Sent: Tuesday, October 20, 2015 3:54 PM
To: BDCPcomments
Subject: I am very much against the Delta Tunnels

To Whom It May Concern:

I adamantly oppose the Delta Tunnels. They are bad for our environment, our beautiful Delta and the state's economy. The tunnels are a huge rip-off of our water and of the taxpayers who will fund this huge boondoggle.

Sincerely,
Chris Middleton

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From: Gene Beley <genebeley@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, October 20, 2015 6:35 PM
To: BDCPcomments; Janet McCleery; Bill Wells; Dan Bacher
Subject: From Gene Beley regarding COMMENTS on twin tunnels

It is so disingenuous of Governor Jerry Brown to be going around the world promoting cleaner air and clean energy while promoting the twin tunnels in his home state. Why? The decade of construction building the twin tunnels 40' in diameter "pipes" will utilize many diesel motors in muck trucks, diesel night lights and pumps. The BDCP proposed using a cap and trade method to get rid of them, but all it does is pay money to a foreign country or city with cleaner air and leave the pollution in the Delta, endangering workers, citizens, and tourists.

The California "Fix" is a bad, pornographic joke. It does not fix anything. All it has done thus far is waste millions of dollars on consultants. Independent economists have warned the cost will skyrocket far beyond the billions of dollars that Governor Brown's team has admitted. There are better ways to fix California's water problems but we need leaders who don't have tunnel vision backed by the like Stuart Resnick and his gang who resell California water for big profits.

Gene Beley, Stockton, CA

From: Mark Boucher <bfrbouch@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, October 20, 2015 2:08 PM
To: BDCPcomments
Subject: Delta Tunnels

Dear BDCP,

I am very concerned that the proposed tunnels under the Delta will gravely impact the environment of the Delta, decrease the water drinking water quality for consumers who rely on Delta water for municipal supplies, put an infrastructure burden on our children, and cost far more than any benefit it will provide. In short, they undermine the Delta and its benefits as well as our future.

The tunnels will make the fresh water bypass the Delta and remove the benefit that water provides to the fish and other aquatic life. The fresh water is essential for keeping the species healthy. Many threatened and endangered species rely on the Delta. The wildlife and aquatic life in the Delta is already struggling due to the drought. When this drought is over, another drought occur. The Delta Tunnels will cause lasting detriment to the environmental water quality.

The water quality in the rivers that feed the Delta is already compromised by the extensive farming and municipal use and reuse. The Delta tunnels many not be proposed to send more volume of water to Southern California, however, they well take water quality away from the Delta. I cannot see how this can be anything but damaging to the environment.

In addition to impacting the environment, there are municipalities that take drinking water out of the Delta. The Delta Tunnels will reduce the water quality of the drinking water source those municipalities rely on. The project will "rob Peter to pay Paul" from a water quality standpoint.

There will be construction impacts to the Delta as well. As an engineer, it is hard to imagine how constructing two 40' diameter tunnels under the Delta can be done without any impact to the Delta habitat. I can imagine the physical construction impacts could be enduring. The infrastructure in California is falling apart. Can you imagine the impacts of having to maintain and replace these tunnels in a short 50 to 75 years? What a burden to put on our children!

Lastly, the project will cost billions. "Delta tunnels plan's true price tag: As much as \$67 billion," is what I find in my search for numbers. I do not understand how a project like this could be worth it. If it does somehow gets past the environmental hurdles, it will be my position that only those who benefit from the better water quality should pay for it. I do not want to pay my hard earned tax dollars for a marginally worth it project that will benefit Southern California.

The Delta Tunnels will undermine the fragile environmental state of the Delta.

The Delta Tunnels will undermine the water quality for animals and people who rely on the water quality to remain as high as possible.

The Delta Tunnels will undermine the the physical Delta and the future of our children.

The Delta Tunnels will undermine the financial footing of the State of California.

Please listen to the concerns of those who rely on and cherish the Delta.

The tunnels undermine California. They unfairly put Southern California's water quality struggle on the backs of the Delta environment, endangered species, our children, Delta water users, and California taxpayers.

Sincerely,

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From: Christina Matejcek <vegasmatejcek@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, October 20, 2015 9:28 PM
To: BDCPcomments
Subject: Delta Giant Tunnels 😊😞☐

- The best Delta scientists recommend that 75% of the natural flow of water into the Delta should be maintained, leaving up to 25% available for export and diversion. That makes sense. The process must start over with the aim of meeting the goal of 75% of natural flow. It can be done.
- Governor Brown, the only possible alternative that you have put on the table is the no project alternative. At this point it is the only honest choice. Roll up your sleeves, get to work on real solutions, and lay this dishonest water tunnel plan to rest.
- We have been complaining for years that the tunnels can drain too much water from the Delta (as the pumping has been for years). The plan points to "adaptive management) but the Independent Science Board recently slammed the California Water Fix Adaptive Management Plan. The state keeps saying, "Trust us. We'll manage the tunnels appropriately and will not take more water than we should." Yet, for ten or more years the state has extracted more water than the system could support, causing the salmon and other fish populations to crash.
- During the drought, the state moved way to much water from the North to the South and now the reservoirs in the North are at their lowest points ever, threatening community drinking water and upstream salmon hatcheries while L.A.'s Pyramid Reservoir (filled with Delta water) is still full.
- The plan fails to recognize the importance of the Delta as a recreational area. The Delta should be made a National Recreation Site. It is unique and special. Yet boating is nearly completely ignored. Studies do not effectively analyze the effect on boating communities, nor on boating recreational areas.
- The effect of the plan on the economies of Delta communities is understated.
- If you are so sure about your recent California WaterFix poll, why don't you put it on the ballot and let the voters decide?

Sent from my iPhone

From: mrbconsulting@gmail.com on behalf of Bill Barnhart <Bill.Barnhart@mrbconsulting.us>
Sent: Tuesday, October 20, 2015 10:07 PM
To: BDCPcomments
Cc: kolsen@kristinolsen.org
Subject: Comments Regarding the Bay Delta Conservation Plan/California WaterFix

Not only is the Delta Tunnels a boondoggle waiting to happen, it is also an example of state government running roughshod over the people they were elected/hired to protect. This is more like a solution looking for a problem to fix and it's a really bad solution at that because it is going to cause a host of other problems. As an example, there is a federal mandate regarding the amount of flow required in the main river feeding the delta area. If the tunnels take out the projected amount of water, that water remaining in the river has to be supplemented from another source to maintain the mandated flow. Where is that supplemental water going to come from? As far as I know, there isn't any surplus water to fill this mandate from other sources.

In a time of drought, with communities here in San Joaquin County taking major steps to conserve water and farmers not getting near enough to grow the crops eaten by people all across the U.S., a person has only to drive west on Highway 205/580 over the California Aqueduct to see that the water being transferred to L.A. is more now than it ever was before. The water level in the aqueduct is at maximum height and has been for months. In years past the water level was never that high in the aqueduct. Why has the amount of water going south increased while conservation is such a big thing here in the North?

This boondoggle project has very little support by citizens and needs to be terminated before more time and money is wasted on it. In its place a group of planners need to first identify the problem, both near and long term, and then find a practical solution for it.

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From: Karlyn Lewis <Karlyn.Lewis@jimbabwe.com>
Sent: Tuesday, October 20, 2015 5:02 PM
To: BDCPcomments
Subject: Please OPPOSE the Delta Tunnels/California Water Fix!

My husband & I have lived in Solano County for many years, raising our family here. We still marvel at the amazing variety of land features and land uses and beauty that can be experienced in Solano. We have been involved in many efforts and projects around the county since the mid-1980s, including being involved with the preservation of agriculture & open space.

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Because of those connections and concerns, we have followed the BDCP process through its arduous path and its eventual morphing into the so-called "California Water Fix"--having dropped any pretense of concern for the environment or any focus on intelligent water use with recycling, groundwater recharging, or sustainability. And we feel the time has come when it is necessary for us to speak up, especially against the Delta Tunnels aspect of the plan.

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Sincerely,

Karlyn Lewis
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From: Jim Lewis <jim.lewis@jimbabwe.com>
Sent: Tuesday, October 20, 2015 8:22 PM
To: BDCPcomments
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Sincerely,

Jim Lewis
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From: Kendy Lewis <mondream18@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, October 20, 2015 11:08 PM
To: BDCPcomments
Subject: BDCP/WaterFix Comments -- Please Stop this Plan!

I have lived my whole life around the Delta in Solano County. And I want to speak up and oppose the "California Water Fix."

The San Francisco Bay - Delta Estuary--the largest estuary on the west coast of the Americas--will be destroyed by this "fix." The Delta Tunnels will not provide a single drop of new water. They will not help with our current drought nor with any subsequent water shortages. They will be an environmental disaster.

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This is not a "Water Fix." What we need is intelligent water use that includes recycling, groundwater recharging, and sustainability.

Sincerely, Kendy Lewis

From: Steven M Anderson <skiand5@sbcglobal.net>
Sent: Tuesday, October 20, 2015 5:15 PM
To: BDCPcomments
Subject: OPPOSITION TO WATER TUNNELS!!!!!!!!!!!!
Attachments: delta canals.docx

Subject: Oppose the Delta Tunnels/California Water Fix
(Alternative 4A)

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing to express my strong opposition to the Delta Tunnels plan.

As someone who has used many of the waterways that will be affected by this plan, I am appalled that the governor and government cares more about Southern California than Northern/Central California with its agriculture that feeds not only California, but the world. I am appalled that waterways and recreation areas that are the basis for economic conditions, will put an enormous burden on the people who rely on the recreation these waterways provide, along with the many towns are surrounding areas. Our children grew up enjoying this part of Northern/Central California and I want my grandchildren to be able to so also, but that will not happen if this ridiculous idea of water tunnels come to be.

The Delta Reform Act of 2009, in which the California State Legislature committed to the "coequal goals" of providing a more reliable water supply for California AND protecting and restoring the cultural, recreational, natural resource, and agricultural values of the Delta, cannot be upheld if the Delta Tunnels come to pass.

The California Water Fix does not meet the restoration goals of the Delta Reform Act; it is simply a plan to export more water out of the San Francisco Bay-Delta estuary. The Delta Tunnels will also fail to provide more reliable water because the Delta watershed is already oversubscribed by five times in normal water years.

My objections to the tunnels are threefold:

The California Water Fix does not address the environmental, public health or economic impacts of the proposed Delta tunnels project. Also, the plan ignores alternatives that would save California tax and

ratepayers billions of dollars, while investing in the jobs and local water sources that build sustainability.

My environmental concerns with the plan are:

- The impact on wildlife and plant species in the Delta that depend on freshwater include the Delta smelt, chinook salmon, steelhead, San Joaquin kit fox, and tricolored blackbird, protected species already on the brink that will face decimation due to a diminishing food-web.
- At sea, even the ESA-listed South Pacific Puget Sound Orca Whales depend on migrating Delta species that will be harmed by less water flowing through the Delta.
- The tunnels plan seems to ignore Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act which prohibits federal agency actions that are likely to jeopardize the continued existence of any endangered species or that “result in the destruction or adverse modification of [critical] habitat of [listed] species.”

My public health concerns with the plan are:

- The tunnels will cause increased contamination of municipal water and wells for the millions of rural and urban residents living in the five Delta counties.
- The tunnels plan fails to model for potential increases of carcinogens and other formation of byproducts that would cause cancer and other serious health effects.
- Environmental justice communities, who depend on subsistence fishing, will also face food and health insecurities as a result of increased contaminants, specifically mercury contamination, in fish and wildlife populations.

My economic concerns with the plan are:

- For large metropolitan cities such as Los Angeles and San Jose that depend on export water, water rates and/or property taxes will go up, but they will get no additional water.
- No analysis has been done on how the lack of fresh water flows will impact San Francisco Bay tourism and recreation. These industries depend on Delta fresh water flows for their crab and salmon fisheries, wildlife sighting, boating, and their restaurant economy. This industry is worth billions annually.

- Salinity intrusion is already impacting the western Delta farms and removing Sacramento River freshwater from the system will make matters worse. Delta farmers cannot irrigate crops with salt water and they certainly cannot plant crops in contaminated soils. The Delta Ag economy, which consists of generations of family farms and farm workers, generates \$5.2 billion for the California economy, annually.
 - California coastal fishing communities depend on thriving wildlife. This historic industry is worth billions annually, with the salmon industry worth \$1.5 billion annually alone. Thousands of jobs and livelihoods are tied to these industries.
 - The operation and construction of the tunnels will obstruct and disable navigable waterways for boating, marinas and other types of leisure activities, in addition to creating conditions of low water flow that will foster invasive aquatic species, such as water hyacinth. Poor water quality also creates unsafe recreation. Recreation and tourism in the Delta generate \$750 million annually.
- Alternatives to Water Exports Ignored

Far far less expensive and less environmentally destructive alternatives to the Delta Tunnels were largely ignored. The plan does not seriously consider any alternatives other than new, upstream conveyance. The decision-making process (from the outset) has tilted in favor of increasing water exports from the Delta.

Our tax and ratepayer dollars would be much better spent on:

- More aggressive water efficiency program statewide that would apply to both urban and agricultural users.
- Funding water recycling and groundwater recharging projects statewide that would be billions of dollars less expensive for rate payers than constructing a new version of the Peripheral Canal or major new surface storage dams. Meanwhile, these projects move communities towards water sustainability.
- Retiring thousands of acres of impaired and pollution generating farmlands in the southern San Joaquin Valley and using those lands for more sustainable and profitable uses, such as solar energy generation.
- Improving Delta levees in order to address potential earthquake, flooding, and future sea level rise concerns at a cost between \$2 to \$4 billion and is orders of-magnitude less expensive than major

conveyance projects that are currently being contemplated.

- Increasing freshwater flows through the Delta to reduce pollutants so ecosystems and wildlife can be restored.
- Installing fish screens at the south Delta pumps to reduce the current salvage of marine life.

In Summary

The Delta has problems that need to be addressed, but the CA Water Fix tunnels are a 20th century idea that won't fix them. It won't produce more water, more reliable supplies, or improved conditions for the environment in the Delta.

The new EIR/EIS has not adequately addressed my above stated concerns. That is why I oppose the Delta Tunnels/California Water Fix (Alternative 4A).

Reclamation and DWR should prepare and circulate a new Draft EIR/EIS that will include alternatives that reduce water exports and increase Delta flows for consideration by the public and decision-makers. Such alternatives have a far better chance of complying with the Delta Reform Act and the federal Endangered Species and Clean Water Acts.

Laura Anderson
Modesto, CA

From: June Jardin <junejardin@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, October 20, 2015 5:32 PM
To: BDCPcomments
Subject: Delta Tunnels

- I oppose Governor Brown's giant water tunnels, which will drain the life out of the Delta!! For years Governor Brown has promised that the BDCP (aka Delta Giant Tunnels) would be a "habitat conservation plan," that it would meet the "gold standard" for protection of the Delta by restoring tens of thousands of acres of marine habitat and restoring natural Delta flows. Now, suddenly, all that has been abandoned and the name has been changed to "water fix," with no habitat restoration or protections for the Delta—just the giant Delta-killing water tunnels. You can't change the rules at the last minute and shove these giant tunnels down our throats whether we like it or not. The governor must begin the process all over again and consider real solutions to California's water woes and the Delta's ecological decline.
- Solutions must include conservation, desalinization, water storage facilities, and reduced reliance on the Delta as a source of water supply. There is no excuse for turning a blind eye to these alternatives and instead adopting the Governor's multi-billion dollar water grab. This process has been dishonest from the beginning. It has always been a huge water grab dressed up as a "save the Delta" plan. The "Fix" was in from the very beginning.
- I have been going to the delta all my life 58 years for many reason and have now lived out in Discovery Bay for 25 and am a Real Estate Broker in Discovery Bay, this is not the solution!! Years of families, farming and housing a unique area, we dont want it ruined.



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From: Bill Kearns <whkearns@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, October 20, 2015 8:01 PM
To: BDCPcomments
Cc: BDCP.Comments.copy@nodeltagates.com
Subject: STOP THE TUNNELS

I William Kearns Jr. a resident and owner of waterfront property located on the Delta @ 17075 Terminous Rd. Isleton. Ca. 95641. I oppose the construction of the proposed "WaterFix" Tunnels. If Southern Ca. needs water let them build desalination plants. It makes no sense to disrupt the sensitive environment of our native species in our waterways. The Delta Has been in place for hundreds of years and the tunnels will change the delta as we know it today and not for the Good!!!! Please stop the Tunnels and save the delta. William Kearns Jr. 916 543-1560

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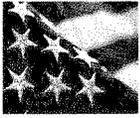
Sir's

I AM writing Re: Delta
PIPE LINE PROPOSED
I AM AGAINST THIS PROJECT
AS IT WILL DESTROY NOT ONLY
FISHING BUT DELTA FARM LAND.
ONE OF THE BIGGEST INCOME FOR
THE STATE IS FARMING.

A BETTER WAY TO GET MORE WATER
TO THE SOUTH IS TO BUILD
DESALTING PLANTS IN SOUTHERN CALIF

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RE: Oppose the Delta Tunnels/California Water Fix (Alternative 4A)

To Whom it May Concern:

I am writing to express my strong opposition to the Delta Tunnels plan.

In The Delta Reform Act of 2009, the California State Legislature committed to “coequal goals” of providing a more reliable water supply for California, as well as protecting and restoring the cultural, recreational, natural resource, and agricultural values of the Delta. Unfortunately, the intent of this legislation cannot be achieved if the Delta Tunnels come to pass.

Not only does the California Water Fix fail to meet the restoration goals of the Delta Reform Act, it will not be able to provide more reliable water, because the Delta watershed is already oversubscribed by five times its capacity in normal water years.

The plan also fails to address potential environmental, public health or economic impacts of the proposed Delta tunnels project, and has ignored proposed alternatives that would save California tax and ratepayers billions of dollars, while investing in the jobs and local water sources that would build sustainability.

For large metropolitan cities such as Los Angeles and San Jose that depend on export water, water rates and/or property taxes will go up, but they will get no additional water.

No analysis has been done on how the lack of fresh water flows will impact San Francisco Bay tourism and recreation. These industries depend on Delta fresh water flows for their crab and salmon fisheries, wildlife sighting, boating, and their restaurant economy. This industry is worth billions annually.

Salinity intrusion is already impacting the western Delta farms - removing Sacramento River freshwater from the system will only make matters worse. Delta farmers cannot irrigate crops with salt water and they will not be able to plant crops in contaminated soils. The Delta Ag economy, which consists of generations of family farms and farm workers, generates \$5.2 billion for the California economy, annually.

Far less expensive and less environmentally destructive alternatives to the Delta Tunnels have been largely ignored. **Our tax and ratepayer dollars would be much better spent on:**

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- Funding water recycling and groundwater recharging projects statewide, which would allow communities to develop more sustainable and independent water sources.
- Streamlining environmental review for water storage, desalination, water recycling, and other projects that will increase our water supply.
- Developing more aggressive water efficiency programs statewide.
- Improving Delta levees in order to address potential earthquake, flooding, and future sea level rise at a cost of \$2 to \$4 billion.
- Installing fish screens at the south Delta pumps in order to reduce the current salvage of marine life.

The Delta has problems that need to be addressed, but the CA Water Fix tunnels will not produce more water, more reliable supplies, or improve environmental conditions in the Delta.

The Bureau of Reclamation and the Department of Water Resources should prepare and circulate a new Draft EIR/EIS that will include some of these alternatives. Such alternatives have a far better chance of complying with the Delta Reform Act and will do much more to increase water supply in regions throughout California.

Sincerely,

Marlene Jackson

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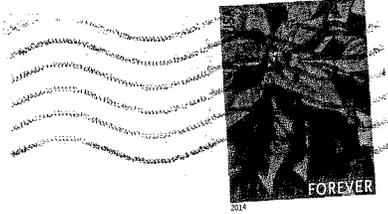
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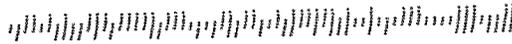


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The Twin Tunnels !

Just another turn of the screws on California's already over taxed tax payers . Do you not think it's about time we stop sending any water any where we do not have ? The waste of land and resources to build something we do not need . As we have been in danger of Salt water invading Stockton's ground water for years your solution is to send more to Southern California ? We have no guarantee we will even get enough water for the needs for food grown here . I am just A little tired of this States over sized government planners with there heads up who knows where ? I am tired of food shipped from Countries where human waste is used for fertilizer it's bad enough the lies to the public about GMO's being safe . After robbing the State tax money to build Mr. Choo Choo's Hi- Speed rail project that was the increase to improve schools . Money taken from the transportation projects as well . Now proposing another tax on fuel's . With California's taxes & Fee's plus Federal taxes . This amounts to 60% of every dollar earned . The U.S. Constitution states no double taxation . Well California has tripled this as State tax ? No More taxes until spend and waste stops .

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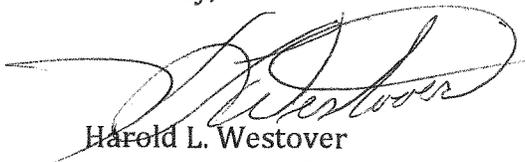
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Sirs;

I'm responding to the Governors Twin Tunnel project to transfer water under/around the Delta and send it down south.

1. Nobody mentions if the current Tracy pumps will continue to pump water or not if the tunnels were to be built. That leads me to only one conclusion; the south wants even more of the North's water than they are currently getting.
2. The water transfer proposal flaunts the improvements that this project will have for the Delta. Who in their right mind would conclude that by taking millions if not billions for gallons of water "away" from the Delta that it would improve the Delta in any way???? The Delta was created by the flow of water through it in the first place. We keep taking more & more water away from it in the name of improving it???? There is a limit to how much we can divert and we've already gone past that point. Salt water incursion is happening now to the point we have to built dams to keep it out.
3. If your memory serves you, you'll remember the failed attempts in the past to "move more water south" The voters struck it down several times/ways; NOW the governor has taken the route to entirely cut the voters out of the decision making process. With more political weight & money in the South, where does that leave us here in the North???
4. The South needs to come up with some other solution to getting more water than taking it from the North. How about desaltation plants? Saudia Arabia does it as does several other countries. Doubt the cost would be any more than this "Twin Tunnel" nightmare.
5. If you haven't already come to the conclusion that I'm against this entire project; I'll say it again "I'M AGAINST THIS ENTIRE TWIN TUNNEL PROJECT FROM START TO FINISH" as are many professionals in the field who also are against it.

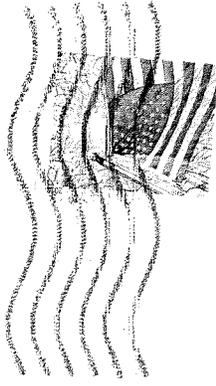
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Gentlemen:

I should like to add my thoughts in opposition to the plan to divert the Sacramento River into a tunnel project.

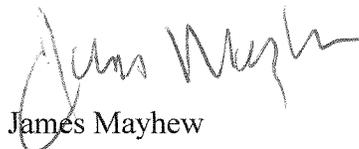
This would cause a total disruption to a large area and cause chaos to many people affected by this plan. One more year of drought and there may not be enough water to enter the proposed tunnels. I keep hearing about building more storage reservoirs, but see no action in this direction.

I suggest that there may be better ways to resolve our water crisis. Being a coastal state we live next door to the world's largest ocean and the water is free. Most of our ships and many foreign countries rely on desalination and use converted sea water as there is very little other.

Building desalination plants would be a long lasting solution. Desalination plants could be powered by Pebble Bed Nuclear Reactors which are absolutely safe also long lasting. Read " Physics for Future Presidents" by Berkeley Professor Richard A Muller for a Description of Pebble Bed Reactors

I offer this thought as a possible faster, cheaper, and, in my opinion ,a more permanent solution to out present and growing need for water

Sincerely,



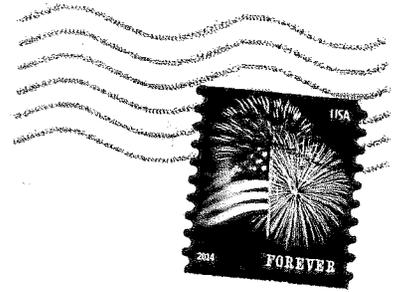
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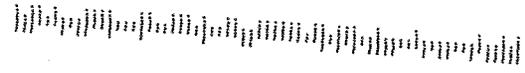
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