

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

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

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.

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- 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.

→ As a lifelong California resident I oppose any and all tunnels to divert water. We need to add to water storage in the foothills and desalination on the coastal regions.

These tunnel/canal proposals have been defeated before and go against the public interest.

They do environmental harm and only benefit corporate land owners .

No Tunnels- No Tunnels- No Tunnels No Tunnels!!!!!!!!!!!!

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No Tunnels — No High Speed Rail!

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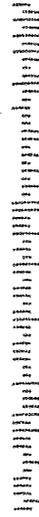
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Dear Governor Brown:

I have lived in San Joaquin County for over forty-nine years I have enjoyed the waterways for most of that time. I row daily up and down the Delta waterways. I am opposed to the current water fix plan because I personally know how fragile our current eco-system is in the Delta. I recently attended a press conference by Congressman Jerry McNerney and learned that the proposed water fix for California will cost 16 billion dollars and will not create any measurable new water for California. This is a waste of the taxpayer's dollars and will devastate the water quality and all of the eco-systems that depend on the Delta for survival. We are already fighting a losing battle against the invasive water hyacinth. California is better than this. We can come up with a plan that protects our waterways and environment for future generations and that uses sensible conservation; recycling technologies and desalinization to resolve California water problems. The Delta is a unique waterway that belongs to the world not just California. Our tax dollars should be spent more effectively to resolve the State's water problems by the following: 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.

Please be the governor we elected and refuse to pursue any avenue that cannot be proved to be cost effective.

Sincerely,



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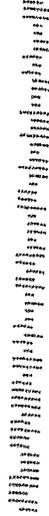


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**DATE:** October 21, 2015

**TO:** BDCP/WaterFix Comments

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

Thank you for allowing us to inform you of our strong opposition to the current Delta Tunnels plan.

As you know, the Delta Reform Act of 2009 cannot meet its two primary goals if the Delta Tunnels are built as recommended.

The California Water Fix (CWF) as currently envisioned will result in more water being exported out of the San Francisco Bay-Delta estuary. The Tunnels will also not provide more reliable water because the Delta watershed is already oversubscribed.

Our objections to the tunnels are that the CWF does not take into account the environmental, public health and economic impacts of the proposed Delta tunnels project as noted below:

1. The plan would further deplete many wildlife and plant species that rely on fresh water from the Delta, and it needlessly risks lengthy litigation for violating Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act. Taxpayer money totally wasted!
2. Tax payers would have to foot the bill for decontaminating wells in the Delta counties.
3. Rate payers in major cities like L.A. and San Jose would have to pay more for their water without getting a drop more. Plus, what studies have been completed on the economic impact to San Francisco Bay tourism and recreation?

The CWF also ignores options that would save tax and ratepayers like you and me billions of dollars, while investing in the jobs and local water sources that build sustainability, including:

1. Using the money proposed for building the tunnels on water recycling and groundwater recharging projects statewide.
2. Actually developing, implementing and enforcing groundwater usage and recharging legislation – *even Texas has that!*
3. Turning the polluted farmlands of the southern San Joaquin Valley into more sustainable and profitable enterprises, such as solar or wind power generation.

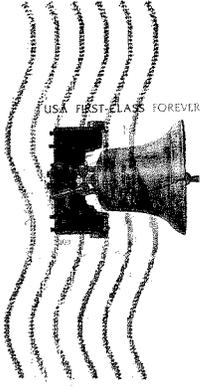
We all understand politics, but you can do better and we need better action to protect this invaluable resource from irreparable damage. Please create a new draft EIR/EIS that will include alternatives that reduce water exports and increase Delta flows for consideration by the public and decision-makers. Such alternatives have a far better chance of complying with the Delta Reform Act and the federal Endangered Species and Clean Water Acts and avoiding years of even more politicking and lawsuits.

Sincerely,

  
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Re: Delta Tunnels Proposal

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing to register my objection to the proposed water tunnels in the Sacramento Delta.

From what I have read, the proposed project could result in:

- 1) degraded agricultural land;
- 2) more salt water invading the delta causing harm to farmland, existing plants, some fish and wildlife;
- 3) further subsidence of delta land.

I am not a "delta" resident, but I was astounded while driving through area by the apparent solidarity of residents against the project as conveyed by their signage.

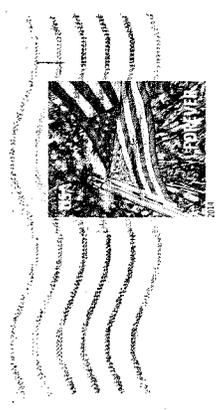
I hope this project is scrapped, and resources are put towards construction of more water retention facilities to trap rainwater in the future.

Sincerely,



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**From:** julie spickler <pjspickler@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 27, 2015 2:11 PM  
**To:** BDCPcomments

Dear Committee:

As a native of San Francisco who grew up with our beautiful estuary, the San Francisco Bay and its tributaries, I am appalled at the idea of spending at least \$15 billion to destroy its ecosystem for the benefit of Central Valley farms. Even a purely economic analysis should show that this would be a great waste of taxpayer money, while from an ecological standpoint it would be a disaster.

Instead, why not use the billions of dollars to recharge aquifers, promote water recycling, and build desalination plants in Southern California, using the bountiful solar power of the south coast? The Delta Tunnel plan looks even worse now than the Peripheral Canal did in 1982, and the San Francisco Estuary needs freshwater even more now, after four years of drought, than it did then.

Please let the environmental impact report show the true facts and costs of the Delta Tunnel plan, so that it must be rejected.

Yours truly,  
Julie Spickler

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**From:** Trent Poltronetti <trent@ardentimpressions.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 27, 2015 1:45 PM  
**To:** BDCPcomments  
**Subject:** there are better water money uses than the Delta tunnels

Please don't build them as they don't help when there is just not enough water.  
Spend the money on a big solar farm and desalinization plant in Southern California instead.  
And maybe returning the LA rivers back to a more natural state with some ability to catch and store water.  
Thanks,  
Trent

Trent Poltronetti  
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Trent Poltronetti  
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**From:** Medea Bern <medea13@mac.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 27, 2015 2:08 PM  
**To:** BDCPcomments  
**Subject:** Please, no tunnels...

Ladies and Gentlemen,

No one needs to tell you what an unholy mess our water situation has become. Your job is huge and the issues complex, so I thank you for your efforts.

As a Florida native who has seen untold degradation of wetlands and beaches from human interference, I would urge you to avoid intrusive 'fixes' like building tunnels. The water shortage will only move, not resolve, with actions like this.

What is needed now is a paradigm change in the way we think about and use the precious water resources that remain. For example, the population of the Bay Area is exploding, building starts are off the charts, the traffic situation snails more acutely every day. However, has anyone recommended a building moratorium? Well, yes, but that is considered 'anti-middle class' when in fact it is pro-existing population. What about a discussion with ranchers about collaborating with ranchers in other states where water is plentiful, a joint venture between cattlemen that could serve as a model for a similar collaboration between other types of farmers who plant water-hungry crops? Our water shortage won't last forever, and when inevitable ecological troubles arise in other parts of the country those in other states would have the chance to avail themselves of such agreements to shift their herds/crops westward.

I know that's radical, possibly unworkable, but let's face it—tunnels are just postponing a workable resolution and indeed run the risk of irreversibly harming our estuaries and the flora and fauna that rely upon it for support.

Good luck with your work. All of our lives depend upon your wise decisions.

Sincerely,

Medea Isphording Bern

I don't know if God exists, but it would be better for His reputation if he didn't. -Jules Renard, writer (1864-1910)

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**From:** DONPLINE@aol.com  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 27, 2015 3:38 PM  
**To:** BDCPcomments  
**Subject:** FLAWED TWIN TUNNEL PLAN

Dear BDCP,

It is very alarming that our State Government is not willing to allow the voters of California the right to make a decision on the Twin Tunnel Plan. So much for living in a Democracy.

All good science is pointing to a changing climate with less water, but we want to build an estuary destroying water conveyance system that will only extract more water than what is currently available. We should be talking about how to reclaim more gray water, better irrigation plans, and desalinization plants. We should not continue to gut the ESA, and look for reason to circumvent Biological Opinions which have clearly stated that the Twin Tunnels will be the nail in the coffin for many listed species, and the cause of many more species being listed.

Who are the main benefactor of this system? What political equity have they gained to allow for such an environmentally destructive conveyance system to even be considered? The BDCP should actually take the Conservation part of your name more seriously, there is no conservation or mitigation that can offset the damage which will be caused by these tunnels.

The California Salmon Industry provides one of the healthiest food sources in the world, it does not take chemicals, and government subsidies to grow these fish. The health of these fish depend on good water quality. This fishery is a healthy, sustainable food source which helps small businesses to thrive.

I would like the committee to know that as a lifetime resident of California, I am opposed to the Twin Tunnel Project, and the back door politics which continue to move this project forward!

Thank you.

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**From:** Dave Gassman <davegassman@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 27, 2015 1:18 PM  
**To:** BDCPcomments  
**Subject:** Delta Tunnels Comment

Count me AGAINST the Tunnel Water Grab!

These will send delta water south, out of the delta where it's vital to fish and wildlife, (not to mention the Quality of Life for millions of Californians from Sacramento to the Golden Gate.

Spend the money on storage...build more reservoirs!

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**From:** Judith Levinson <jelevinson@earthlink.net>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 27, 2015 1:53 PM  
**To:** BDCPcomments  
**Subject:** Delta Tunnels Comments

Hello ICFI,

I would like to comment on Governor Brown's proposal to dig two 40 ft. tunnels drowning species of fish to pump our precious fresh Delta water to water lawns in Southern California.

This is a pending ecological disaster for fish, birds, animals, aquaculture, flyway biospheres, micronutrients, etc., and must not be put into action draining resources because of the drought.

The predatory nature of this unnatural pumping will be evident when it unbalances nature to grow crops in the southern CA desert, as when we had water to spare. Yes, fallowing farm land is impactful, causing unemployment, but the alternative is not tenable and should be stricken before it undermines the subsuming farmland further.

My recommendation for using CA citizen's money would be to start building recycling water systems, pumping recycled water, not depleting fresh water, which may not be available in the future.

Please plan ahead by using recycled water.

This citizen asks you, as my representative, to vote no on this proposal.

Thank you for listening, and for standing up for what cannot speak, the environment.

Judith Levinson

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**From:** Ken <kmsparkles@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 27, 2015 3:50 PM  
**To:** BDCPcomments  
**Subject:** Delta Water Tunnels and distribution

I read your Open Forum Op/Ed in the SF Chronicle this morning with huge interest. My wife and I favor of a fair distribution of water to all of California when feasible. We are all supposed to be Californians and helping each other out. However I am not in favor of any type of tunnel project that would increase sending more Northern California water to Central and/or Southern California. If it sends the same or less water southward and helps the Delta Ecosystem then I'm OK with a tunnel(s).

I object strongly to increasing any water transfer southward from any North California County or River until the huge SF Hetch Hetchy water system starts to contribute water to a State water shortage. I have lived in Tuolumne County for 40 years. It is the County of origin of the Tuolumne River and tremendous water storage possibilities. It amazes me that the Federal Government gave all of the water rights in Hetch Hetchy, Lake Eleanor and Cherry Lake watersheds to the City and County of San Francisco over 100 years ago. Almost all of our county water possibilities. Our county unbelievably has no water rights to any watershed in our whole county.

This is just plain wrong and from an antiquated set of laws, give always, and so called " water rights" from over a Century ago. This is not 1900. San Francisco will not share any of their given (taken?) water with us in Tuolumne County or anywhere else in the State and it all comes from our County. At times we were at 35% cut back with our purchased water and SF was at 8-10 % reduction of their owned water taken from Tuolumne County. No where in any of Governor Brown, Senator Feinstein, or Senator Boxer's water plans do I see any contribution or sharing of San Francisco's water.

Maybe what California needs right now while everyone is talking about water is a State Water Czar over a panel of everyone involved in water distribution and uses. Let's start water storage and distribution "rights" all over from scratch and make sure everyone has their fair share. Until the whole SF Bay Area is involved with sharing their water with the Delta, fisheries, and Southern California we will not support any additional water transfers to Southern and/or Central California.

Thank you for listening,

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**From:** barpat1120 <barpat1120@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 27, 2015 12:13 PM  
**To:** BDCPcomments  
**Subject:** Delta tunnels

Do not build the tunnels. The last thing we need is saltwater contaminating or drinking water supply with the drought already hindering the supply. You will look like a fool (or like you were bought off by a bottled water company)...

Barbra Paris  
Oakley, CA

Sent on a Sprint Samsung Galaxy Note® 3

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**From:** Ron Mallory <malloryco@comcast.net>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 27, 2015 2:12 PM  
**To:** BDCPcomments  
**Subject:** Against Delta Tunels

My wife, Amanda and I are against building the Delta Tunnels.  
Ron Mallory, Larkspur, CA

Sent from my iPad

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**From:** Bill <94116bc@gmail.com>  
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**To:** BDCPcomments  
**Subject:** bay delta fresh water flows

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I strongly favor adequate freshwater flows through the delta to restore the productive estuary for robust populations of wildlife and fish.

Our precious salmon runs are largely depleted to sustain short-term human interests such as profiting by growing crops like cotton (do we really need more T shirts?) and for gold courses and sprawling developments lacking in water conservation features.

I have the lowest per capita water use around here, but not to save money, (as my water bill of 50 cents daily is mostly for operations of the water district, not actual water use) but to save the salmon.

Humans must learn to make some sacrifices and share the water with nature.

William Collins  
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**From:** carol laron <carol.laron@icloud.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 27, 2015 12:44 PM  
**To:** BDCPcomments  
**Subject:** Bay Delta water

## Bay Area Delta

I have great concern that the water level is already too low and you don't want to make it lower. Changing the mix of fresh and salt water can totally change the habitat of many water species.

I voted for Jerry Brown and am very disappointed in his water policy.

thank you, Bradford Larson

**From:** Jane Nickens <harley4895765@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 27, 2015 3:04 PM  
**To:** BDCPcomments  
**Subject:** Brown's tunnels

Please don't dig the 2 tunnels under the delta to take freshwater from the bay area. Use the money to find other ways to save the water. The wildlife will suffer and so will the people that go there. Too much saltwater will kill!!!!

Jane Nickens  
Concerned for the fisheries.  
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**From:** SmithFamily <smithdandy@aol.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 27, 2015 1:53 PM  
**To:** BDCPcomments  
**Subject:** comment on delta tunnel plan

Hello. I am writing out of concern for the health of the Delta. I do not agree that building these tunnels will help California as a whole or the Delta specifically. We already draw a lot of fresh water from the Delta for agriculture. Building these tunnels to draw even more could be catastrophic for the health of the estuary. Please do not succumb to development pressure from the South, and please leave the river water where it is, lest the salt water intrusion get ever more extreme.

I am a Democrat and I support Gov. Brown on many points, but definitely not this one.

Thank you for your consideration,

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**From:** Alan Jackman <apjackman@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 27, 2015 12:26 PM  
**To:** BDCPcomments; me  
**Subject:** stop the proposed Delta tunnels

The proposed Delta tunnels never were about habitat conservation/improvement in the Bay or Delta. The sole objective of the tunnels is to bypass water around the Delta, just as was the case with the Peripheral Canal, in order to provide the highest possible water quality to exporters for use in cities and farms south of the Delta. In fact, rather than improving the quality of habitat in the Delta, the proposed tunnels, no referred to as the Water Fix, clearly will result in significant ecological damage to both the Delta and San Francisco Bay by diverting fresh water that naturally flows into the Delta around the Delta, resulting in increased intrusion of salt water into the areas in the Delta and Bay that are naturally a transition zone from freshwater ecology to seawater ecology. This clearly benefits only those using the diverted water, not the Bay/Delta ecosystem with its many species, some endangered, that rely on freshwater inputs. It violates the Endangered Species Act. It should not be allowed to proceed.

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**From:** Greg Goddard <greggtmd@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 27, 2015 2:12 PM  
**To:** BDCPcomments; BDCPcomments  
**Subject:** Stop Twin Tunnels

Please Stop Twin Tunnels, and save our fish and environment.

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**From:** keith pfeifer <kimnkon@pacbell.net>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 27, 2015 3:03 PM  
**To:** BDCPcomments  
**Subject:** The California Water Fix

Dear Gov. Brown and his Supporters

I don't usually start a letter noting my qualification on a particular subject; however, in the case of the San Francisco Bay-Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta, I will make an exception since I do have some knowledge about fish, water and the aquatic environment.

First, I am a fourth generation San Franciscan and have camped, fished and hunted in the mountains of central and northern California for over 60 years. I have seen consequential, permanent changes in the way private companies and government agencies have used their power and greed to alter the habitats of our streams and rivers through dam building and water diversions.

My academic credentials include a doctorate in pharmacy from UCSF, a masters of science in marine biology from San Francisco State and a doctorate in fish and environmental toxicology from Oregon Sate University. I worked several years in private industry assessing the aquatic harm caused by effluent discharges into major rivers and estuaries in the eastern United States. The last 20 years of my professional career were with the California Environmental Protection Agency, Dept. of Pesticide Regulation, where I headed the Pesticide Risk Assessment Group. I am currently the Director for Conservation Policy for the California Fly Fishers Unlimited (CFFU), a Sacramento based fly fishing organization. CFFU is the oldest and currently the largest (>300 members) fly fishing group in Northern California.

It is with great concern when I read what Gov. Brown and his supporters have proposed for the largest and most diverse estuary on the west coast. This isn't just about the delta smelt and the Chinook salmon, although their demise would be an unbelievable outcome from the proposed diversion of Sacramento River water. The impact will be seen in the entire San Francisco Bay complex because of decreased water and increased salinity. This is not the first time the Bay complex has faced permanent damage....what ever happened to the crab, oysters, surf perch and other species that were once so prevalent in the Bay? The construction of 40 ft diameter tunnels alone is enough to destroy the delta ecosystem, and diverting water around the delta will ensure the extinction of most resident and anadromous fish species that currently migrate through this unique environment. FISH NEED WATER.

I will be encouraging our CFFU membership to join other concerned fisherman and environmentalists to oppose this misconceived and dangerous project.

Sincerely,  
Keith Pfeifer, Ph.D.  
Davis, CA

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**From:** chris leuterio <leuterio@mac.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 27, 2015 12:28 PM  
**To:** BDCPcomments  
**Subject:** Tunnel opposition

I am a concerned Marin County resident writing to ask that you stop the proposed tunnel project.

The Bay ecosystem is highly dependent on fresh water draining through it and those flows are already severely compromised.

This is a very irresponsible and wasteful project that must not be allowed.

Chris Leuterio

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**From:** donnadorn2001 <donnadorn2001@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 27, 2015 1:36 PM  
**To:** BDCPcomments  
**Subject:** Tunnels

Please do not approve the delta tunnels project it will destroy our water quality and economy. This project is also too expensive and The EIR is incomplete.

Thank you  
Donna Dorn

Sent via the Samsung GALAXY S@4, an AT&T 4G LTE smartphone

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**From:** Lisa Sorensen <lisabsorensen@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 27, 2015 1:09 PM  
**To:** BDCPcomments  
**Subject:** Stop the Tunnels!

I live in the Sacramento River watershed and strongly oppose the Governor's latest plan to drain the vitality from the NorthState.

Our homes, businesses, farms, and wildlands depend on healthy groundwater, creeks, and streams. The entire north valley ecosystem depends on this water.

I will fight this water grab in every way I can to prevent turning the Sacramento Valley into an echo of the Owens and San Joaquin valleys. No Twin Tunnels!

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