From: "David P Matzinger" <<u>dmatzinger@sbcglobal.net</u>> Date: Jul 11, 2016 10:00 PM Subject: Delta water diversion To: "<u>deltaactioncommittee@gmail.com</u>" <<u>deltaactioncommittee@gmail.com</u>> Cc:

Dear State Water Resources Control Board:

I am writing to PROTEST any additional diversion from the Sacramento River in the North Delta by use of tunnels and intakes or *any other method*. You allow too much diversion already. I boat/fish/recreate/farm in the North Delta area, and have observed the last few years of lower water flows on waterways like Sacramento River, Steamboat and Sutter Sloughs.

I object to the use of taxpayer funds to pay for the building of intakes and tunnels, or barriers, using funds earmarked for "flood control" or ecosystem restoration, since the actual purpose is water diversion for sale to the highest bidder. Plus, no one has proven the new style of fish screens and water intakes actually work and native fish have been declining as new intakes have been installed! Prove they work before spending billions to build something that won't work as intended, to take "surplus" water that does not exist.

Additionally, I object to being charged extra from my home water use to pay for the transport and use of Sacramento River water by huge corporate farmers of the lower Central Valley, who pay a much lower rate for the same water. Why should I pay for the mega-corporate produce operations cost since so much of the product is exported to other countries anyway?

Thank you for your attention to this important matter.

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