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To: The California State Water Resources Control Board

I am writing in opposition to the requested permit to divert water from the Northern Delta as part of the state and federal water projects. This project is a waste of time, money, and resources which should all be reallocated towards something more useful like meaningful conservation efforts or even something completely different like our public education system which could sorely use significant funding in the arts and at the teacher-salary-level.

Changing the water extraction location will do more harm than good as the salinity levels will rise in the delta further damaging fish populations and putting crops at risk. Why destroy the fertile delta to send water to orchards in an arid climate? This just doesn't make sense.

Please help stop the waste and deny the permits.

Thank you,

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