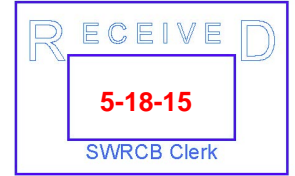


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LATE COMMENT

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As a delta resident I would like to comment on the relaxation of water quality rules.

1. The water mismanagement and taking these actions is affecting the communities along the delta with regards to lower water quality.
2. Less river flow increases the chance of Salt water Intrusion even further up both Rivers.
3. The fish species Salmon, Smelt and others have been greatly reduced because of reduced flows and warm water during the salmon spawning season.
4. Invasive Species have a greater chance of multiplying in low or stagnant water. Water hyacinth, Algae blooms to name a couple.
5. Numerous communities along the delta get their water from the delta using their own systems. These communities have been here and deserve decent drinking water before the ever expanding corporate farms on unsuitable desert drainage impaired lands that the state continues to divert water too.
6. The Delta area farms provide a much better variety of produce than almonds and pistachios that Westland's and Kern county provide and a lot of the farms were here before the corporate farms were even developed. The farms here deserve to have enough water to continue to grow quality produce.

It is time for the water board to really act on behalf of the communities and the delta. The Delta is a true gem that is being destroyed from excessive water diversions for crops that only add 1% to the states GDP. The area here from fishing, sporting, crops and Cities provides more. Stop kissing the Corporate farms and do what is right. Let the water flow out to the San Francisco bay and let the delta live on healthy instead of Killing it.

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