

Dear California Water Resources Control Board,

I would like to comment on your current updating of the Bay Delta Water Quality Control Plan. I believe that the protection of the native ecosystems of the state of California is the most important criteria when determining the amount of water to divert. The exponential human population growth in the state is an intensifier of water usage but we must guard against its destruction demands and takings of fresh water from the natural ecosystem. Please make sure that the new Control Plan for the Delta Water protects the Delta estuary. It provides habitat for more than 500 species of wildlife and is a migration path for salmon, steelhead, sturgeon and many migrating birds. Low water flows impede fish passage, concentrate pollutants and raise water temperature. Please insist that people apply efficient irrigation practices and change to water efficient crops in the central valley, and don't let our burgeoning human population's water consumption destroy this wonderful habitat by sucking it dry. I ask you to be a voice for the voiceless animals that will be harmed with unchecked diversion of their water supply. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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