

"A Voice for Salmon" 365 Days a Year

State Water Resources Control Board 1001 1 street Sacramento, CA 95814

3/28/2018

Re: State Water Board proposal for increased flows in the San Joaquin and Sacramento rivers, their tributaries and the Delta.

Dear State Water Board members and executive staff,

We, the undersigned, write to ask you to require additional adequate flows of water in our rivers and streams to restore our salmon and other native species.

We're concerned because:

- Our salmon runs are at all-time lows. Some are near extinction!
- Our fishing is being curtailed or stopped.
- State and Federal fish and water agencies (including the SWRCB) have failed to protect our interests and those of other Californians in ensuring healthy fish populations below dams, as required by Fish and Game code 5937.
- Congress and the Trump Administration continue to implement policies aimed at pumping more water from the Delta that further destroys salmon and other native wildlife.
- The California Resources Agency continues to push the WaterFix tunnels which threaten salmon.



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To keep it simple, here is what the Golden Gate Salmon Association, and thousands of other people in our community (see attached list of signatories gathered at the January International Sportsmens' Expo in Sacramento) want your help with!

- Require increased flows in the San Joaquin and Sacramento rivers and their tributaries as part of your Delta Water Quality Standards update.
- Deny the WaterFix tunnel project a permit to divert Sacramento River water.
- Incorporate salmon protections in the current biological opinions as permit conditions for state and federal water projects.

Sincerely,

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