



Dear Members of the State Water Resources Control Board,

I was disturbed to hear that you are considering requiring that only **35%** of the natural flow of the San Joaquin River must reach the Delta. This is not enough to support the fish and wildlife that depend upon the river.

Low river flows have dire consequences. They impede fish passage, concentrate pollutants, raise water temperatures, decrease dissolved oxygen, and eliminate migratory clues.

Of course we need water for agriculture, but if you starve the delta by allowing too much of the river water to go to agriculture, you will throw the natural eco-system out of balance. We must preserve the Bay and the Delta.

Farmers need to conserve water, just as city dwellers are going to have to do, and given climate change, farmers may need to switch to crops that use less water, just as city dwellers are switching out their lawns for drought tolerant plants.

Water is going to be THE Issue of the 21st Century. You have the chance to do the right thing. Please protect California's rivers, deltas, and bays.

Sincerely,

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