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Lester Snow, Executive Director
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Re: CalFed Bay Delta Program

Dear Mr. Snow:

How can an ecosystem that has been degraded, damaged and destroyed by dams be restored by building more dams? Must our beautiful state and country suffer yet more years of needless deterioration and ugliness before the "dam mentality" can be replaced? How can we restore "natural" with concrete?

There is *so* much that can yet be done to maximize the efficient use of water. Education would be a good start. In the community in which we live, we find little, or no, recognition that water needs to be conserved. If conservation cannot be achieved voluntarily, it can be effected by a sliding scale of water pricing.

We understand that the CalFed plan, as now promulgated, will depend heavily on raising existing dams and creating new offstream storage reservoirs. Natural?

Please find the political will and courage to come up with a plan that mandates the removal of barrier dams, increases instream flows, restores and adds habitat for fish and wildlife, and calls for whatever pricing is necessary to insure the most efficient use of water.

Sincerely,

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