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Paul Marshall
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Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: South Delta Improvement Project (SDIP)

Dear Mr. Marshall:

I am a homeowner in the town of Discovery Bay, California. I am writing to you with regards to my concerns over the proposal of 4 dams being built to allow the pumping of an additional 5,000,000 gallons of water each day to Los Angeles and other Southern California locations (otherwise known as the SDIP).

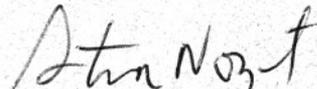
The negative impact that this will have on our Delta water is inarguable. The additional pumping will cause the salt water levels to increase and degrade the already fragile delta environment. The existing pumping changes the natural tidal flow of the area and the impending additional pumping will lower the water levels even more.

If you do not live in any one of the wonderful communities that surround our Delta, you would probably not realize the impact of this project for homeowners like me. Tide swings due to winter rain and restrictive water flow caused by the dams will cause major damage to our levees, homes and docks. During the summer months when we have low tide combined with the capability to pump another 5 million gallons of water each day will cause the delta in my area to see ultra low areas and mud bottoms.

I bought a home in Discovery Bay, in part, because of the wonderful Delta that surrounds it. Not only will the increase in salinity and decrease in water depth affect the value of my home, but it will, more importantly, affect the local environment that we as Californians, say we care so much about. I am not too familiar with all of the investigations and tests that have been made to substantiate the fact that the ecology of the entire Delta is diminishing, but if you listen to the fish, (of which there are literally hundreds of thousands less than there used to be), the message is loud and clear.

Please take steps to ensure this project does not go any further!

Sincerely,



Steven Nozet

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