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Dear Mr. Snow,

It appears to me that not one of the three alternatives suggested by your group for our waterways will insure that our children and grandchildren will be able to enjoy our rivers and wetlands well into the future.

I strongly urge your and your organization to consider another alternative: one that is firmly grounded in a commitment to restoration and conservation of our waterways and our water. We need to use the water we have more conservatively rather than building new dams and canals. Our behavior during the recent drought provided clear evidence that Californians can conserve. We need to restore our waterways for the conservation of our fish and birds. If our waters are not healthy for the fish and birds, they are not healthy for us.

Please include these comments in the formal record for the draft of your report.

Sincerely,

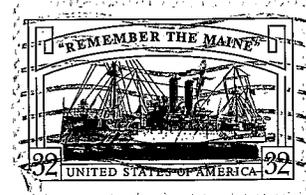


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