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Attn. Rick Breitenbach

Dear Mr. Breitenbach,

I have recently reviewed the CALFED Draft EIR and have the following comments.

You have not made a serious effort toward *water conservation*. In fact it appears that your proposed "conservation" effort would result in a saving of less than 1% of the water currently used by agriculture.

Alternative 3- The Peripheral Canal has already been strongly rejected by us, the voters of California. Why are you wasting taxpayers money to restudy a plan that we turned down in 1982?

All three of your Alternatives would result in a degrading of the Sacramento River system. This is not acceptable. New dams or enlarging existing dams in the Sacramento River drainage will further reduce critical fish spawning areas and result in a lower water quality in the Bay and Delta areas.

All three of your Alternatives are unacceptable because they fail to:

Provide a healthy Bay and Delta.

Conserve water adequately

Rely on more storage and more diversion of natural river flows.

Go back to the drawing board and develop true alternatives that adequately address conservation, fish, and wildlife.

Sincerely,

Rick Bennetts

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