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Re: Bay-Delta Solution:

Although I am not a farmer, many of my friends are. It is obvious to me that they are not getting a fair shake in the various Cal-Fed proposals.

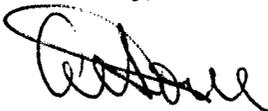
One key element that seems to be missing is an emphasis on the need for additional water shortage facilities. It is simply impossible to meet the needs of agriculture, environmental concerns and our state's ever-increasing population without more storage.

We must have the ability to save excess water during wet years, like we have been experiencing, keeping it in reservoirs for use when it is needed in future drought years, which are sure to come.

I can understand the necessity to take *some* agricultural land out of production for water development but to even consider eliminating the hundreds of thousands of acres of very productive farm land as is being proposed . . . is simply stupid.

In talking with my friends agriculture, they see what has been proposed as not a fair and equitable program that will benefit everyone, but a program to benefit everyone except farmers at the expense of the farmers.

Sincerely,



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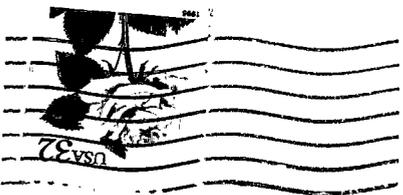
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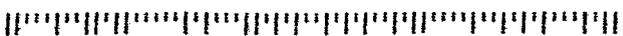
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