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I'm Peter S. Ohm we live and farm on Roberts Island. I'm the third generation, my famiby has farmed here 108 years.

This canal you talk about would cut Roberts Island into 2 pieces. In the event of a flood the water would impound agaist this canal. You would be building and creating a 25,000 acre lake.

The Delta is a Tidal Basin that depends on the tides to wash it clean twice every 24 hrs. If this water is so bad why has the State and Bureau of Reclamation been pumping this water for over 30 years?

This canal would be the end of the greatest Tidal Basin on the West Coast. You say you will only put 15,000 cubic ft a second though this concret ditch, whats to stop you from putting pumps in and increasing it to 40 — or 50,000 thousand cubic ft a second? They can't screen fish in this volume of water. Salmon Steel head + shad all die in the Canals. They will never be able to screen fish at the Hood location as there are two many fish.

We land owners in the Delta can't let this happen. Everybody should use water out of the same common pool. The canal is going to give the exportors the right to ruin the Delta by taking water better than everyone else. This is the old Peripheral Canal in a rerun!

There is nothing in this Bay-Delta-Delta for agriculture the most dominant business in the Delta. This is a monopoly by the State and Bureau of Relamation agencies to give all the

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Delta water to metropolitan water district and we the people will all pay for it as we have already.

You should remember 1977+78 when there was no water to keep the salt water from coming to the Port of Stockton

I'm surprised our Governor was willing to sit down with the ex-Governor to bargain our rights away in a closed meeting with the Bureau of Reclamation as they both are exporters of waters from the Delta.

It looks like the whole Committee is paid for by metropolitan water District. They have alreaday moved the desert up the eastern slope of the Sierras all the way to Mono lake

There will be no end to the amount of water Met will want from Northern California. It will end up a dust boul like the Owens Valley lake.

Old river should never have a permanet barrier at the San Joaquin River; this is the last way to get a clamshell large dreger into these rivers as Howard Rd. is a fixed bridge. These rivers all will have to be dredged of sand, land, and mud.

The best way to get more water, and better water is to dredge the South + North Fork of the Mokelumne River. Bring the water through at a higher level to the pumps though the excessing channels.

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