

**SACRAMENTO RIVER
CONSERVATION AREA**

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Honorable Mary Nichols
Secretary for Resources
The Resources Agency
1416 Ninth Street, Room 1311
Sacramento, California 95814

Dear Secretary Nichols:

I am very pleased to present you with the final *Sacramento River Conservation Area Handbook*, prepared by the Sacramento River Advisory Council and its Riparian Habitat Committee. This *Handbook*, together with the Memorandum of Agreement for the Sacramento River Conservation Area, and the formation of a largely locally-based non-profit organization will help guide riparian habitat management along the mainstem of the Sacramento River.

We appreciate the support you have given us, and the support we have received over the years from The Resources Agency and its Departments, and former Secretary Douglas Wheeler. This support has made it possible to bring all of the interests along the Sacramento River to one forum, and to develop a sound and balanced management strategy for the riparian habitat ecosystem along California's largest river system.

Sincerely,

Denny Bungarz, Chair
Sacramento River Advisory Council

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