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Mr. Lester Snow
CALFED Bay-Delta Program
1416 Ninth Street, Room 1155
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Mr. Snow:

This letter is to convey the strong support The Trust for Public Land (TPL) gives The Nature Conservancy (TNC) in its funding request to the CALFED Bay-Delta Program for floodplain acquisition and management within the Red Bluff to Colusa reach of the Sacramento River Conservation Area.

This restoration project, including 1,550+ acres of critical habitat acquisition, marks the next in a succession of ecologically important endeavors that TNC has conducted on the Sacramento River, dating back more than a decade, and builds on funding previously awarded to TNC by CALFED and others. By making it possible for stretches of the river to experience natural restorative processes, such as erosion, sedimentation, flooding, and succession, the proposed project is worthy investment toward fulfilling CALFED objectives, as well as the Sacramento River Conservation Area Advisory Council's vision of an inner river zone defined by limited meander and a continuous riparian corridor.

We hope that you join us in supporting this important conservation project. Thank you very much for your consideration.

Sincerely yours,

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Western Rivers Program Director

cc: Sam Lawson, Sacramento River Project Director, TNC

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