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Dear Mr. Snow

I sincerely hope that the proposal to raise Shasta and other dams is permanently shelved. Dams wreak environmental havoc. There are other ways to achieve similar results than increased water storage: conservation, reclamation and improved water efficiency make more sense as long-term solutions without ecological degradation. Tourism such as rafting can lead to job opportunities along the river basin. Habitat destruction, wildlife and fish depletions can not be readily remedied once a dam is erected or raised. Please don't ignore the general public's need for open space and free-flowing rivers for recreation. Don't give in to well-financed proponents of dam construction. Don't forget, we represent more votes.

Thank you for listening.

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