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DEAR MR. SNOW:

I OPPOSE CALFED'S PLAN TO INCREASE SURFACE WATER STORAGE IN THE CENTRAL VALLEY BY RAISING EXISTING DAMS OR BUILDING NEW OFFSTREAM STORAGE RESERVOIRS.

I URGE CALFED TO INSTEAD PURSUE PROGRAMS THAT WOULD CONSERVE WATER AND USE WATER RESOURCES MORE EFFICIENTLY. SWITCHING TO HIGHER VALUE + LESS WATER-CONSUMPTIVE CROPS AND INSTALLING WATER METERS FOR ALL USERS ARE JUST TWO EXAMPLES OF SUCH PROGRAMS.

I WOULD FURTHER ENCOURAGE CALFED TO CONTINUE ITS CURRENT PLANS TO DECOMMISSION DAMS THAT ACT AS A BARRIER TO MIGRATING SALMON, AND TO ACQUIRE IMPORTANT RIPARIAN HABITAT.

DAMS AND DIVERSIONS ARE NOT EFFECTIVE SOLUTIONS TO PROBLEMS CAUSED BY OTHER DAMS AND DIVERSIONS.

SINCERELY,

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