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Lester Snow
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Dear Mr. Snow,

I am writing this letter in response to the revised CALFED plan.

I oppose CALFED's plan to increase surface water storage in the Central Valley by raising dams or building new offstream storage reservoirs. CALFED's plan to raise the Shasta Dam would flood parts of the upper Sacramento River & McCloud River. CALFED's proposed sites offstream

storage reservoir would require huge water diversions from the Sacramento River

I strongly urge CALFED's to increase water efficiency, conservation, and reclamation programs to stretch our existing water supplies rather than build new dams and canals. This could be achieved by switching to higher value & less water-consumptive crops and by installing water meters for all agricultural and urban users.

I support CALFED's proposed restoration goals for the Central Valley, including removing some facilities such

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as the Englebright Dam, which act as barriers to salmon who are migrating, prevent the acquisition of important riparian habitat, and make more challenging the efforts to increase instream flows for fish, wildlife, and recreation.

We cannot solve the ecological problems caused by dams and diversions by building more dams and diversions.

The rivers of California belong to the future generations of Californians,

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and we must be good
stewards of them.

Thank you for your time
and consideration.

Sincerely yours,

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