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Lester Snow
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Dear Mr. Snow,

This letter concerns the revised CALFED plan. I oppose CALFED's plan to raise existing dams and build new offstream storage reservoirs. The plan to raise Shasta dam will flood parts of the upper Sacramento and McCloud rivers. Proposed offstream storage reservoirs would require large water diversions with adverse consequences for ecology.

Instead, I urge CALFED to expand water efficiency and conservation. This could be effected by encouraging higher value and less consumptive crops and by installing water meters for agricultural and other users.

CALFED's restoration plans for the Central Valley, such as removing the Englebright dam, are laudable, and will help local wildlife. But building more dams

and water diversions is not the way to go.

Thanks for your consideration.

Yours sincerely,
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