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Mr. Lester Snow
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Dear Mr. Snow:

Please consider this letter a response to the revised CALFED plan

I oppose CALFED's plan to increase surface water storage in the Central Valley by raising existing dams or building new offstream storage reservoirs. CALFED's plan to raise Shasta dam would flood segments of the upper Sacramento + McCloud rivers. CALFED's proposed sites offstream storage reservoirs would require

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massive diversions from the Sac River.
I urge CALFED to expand water efficiency, conservation, + reclamation programs to stretch our existing water supplies, instead of building new dams + canals. This could be done by switching to higher value + less water consumption crops + by installing water meters for all agricultural + urban users.
I support CALFED's proposed restoration goals for the Central Valley, incl. removing some facilities such as Englebright dam, that act as barriers to migrating salmon, acquiring important riparian habitat, + increasing instream flows for fish, wildlife, + recreation.

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

Thank you for your time + consideration. I look forward to hearing your position on this issue.

Sincerely,

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