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Mr. Steve Ritchie, Acting Executive Director
CalFed Bay-Delta Program
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Dear Mr. Ritchie,

I am a third generation farmer from the San Joaquin Valley. Water is a very important part of our way of life and being able to produce a crop. This new environmental report for the Calfed plan needs more than 30 days to honestly be evaluated. Also for Calfed to meet its environmental goals, it must move more aggressively to develop new water storage. We must capture more water during wet years to supply us for the dry years. It's just common sense.

Sincerely,

Kevin B. Fondse

cc. Senator Dianne Feinstein
Senator Barbara Boxer
Representative Richard Pombo
Governor Gray Davis
State Senator Patrick Johnston
Assemblyman Mike Machado
San Joaquin Board of Supervisors