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Mr. Steve Ritchie, Acting Executive Director  
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Re: Final Programmatic EIS/EIR

Dear Mr. Ritchie:

I am writing to ask you to extend the time to read and comment on the final environmental report released July 21. I also believe Cal-Fed should hold public hearings to explain its plans before they become final.

We are almond growers in San Joaquin County and have been farming this land since 1938. I am concerned about the loss of farmland, loss of water and the lack of progress on storage.

Again, I request you grant additional time for comments and hold public hearings before you implement your plan.

Sincerely,

Lee J. Fondse