

August 21, 2000

Steve Ritchie
Acting Executive Director
CALFED Bay-Delta Program
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Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: CALFED Final PEIS/EIR

Dear Mr. Ritchie:

On September 23, 1999 the Ag/Urban Caucus filed extensive comments on the Draft PEIS/EIR for the Bay-Delta Program. The set of actions and implementation strategy for the Program as refined and described in the June 9, 2000 Framework Agreement respond to many of our original comments. However, based on our review of the Final PEIS/EIR to date, it is not clear that the commitments of the Framework Agreement are fully integrated into the Final PEIS/EIR.

If CALFED intends to approve the PEIS/EIR in its current form, then the decisive and unqualified commitments of the Framework Agreement must be fully incorporated into the Record of Decision and Notice of Determination for the Program.

Given the sheer volume of the Final PEIS/EIR document and the limited amount of time available for review, Ag/Urban has not been able to complete a thorough evaluation of CALFED's responses to our September 23, 1999 letter on the Draft PEIS/EIR. Consequently, all of our previous comments on the Draft EIS/EIR stand.

Sincerely,



Allen Short
Chair of the Ag/Urban Caucus