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Re: CALFED Water Management Development Team

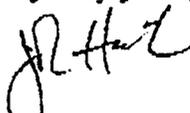
Dear Mr. Macauley:

I have recently been informed that the above-referenced CALFED team has been considering both in-Delta water storage and crop shifting as potential goals, programs, or recommendations. I also understand that there are no Delta interests on that team. We would therefore respectfully request that we be allowed to participate in that forum.

As you are probably aware, CALFED took it upon itself to adopt the South Delta Barrier Program. Its staff then proceeded to propose fundamental alterations to that program without our input. Absent Stakeholder input and without any analysis of the affects of their alterations, the Policy Group then adopted the changes. It is our analysis that the "new" program will actually put us in a worse position then before. We are therefore somewhat concerned that another CALFED group is considering fundamental changes to the existing uses in the Delta.

Please call me if you have any questions or comments.

Very truly yours,



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