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Dear John:

This is in response to your letter dated January 5, 1998 expressing concern over a suitable levee protection plan. Your suggestion that CALFED commit to early funding for levee restoration is welcome. We concur that early funding for levee restoration is desirable.

Currently, a bond measure proposed by the Governor which includes levee funds is being discussed by a group of legislators and stakeholders. We hope that the Governor's bond measure passes making a commitment to early funding for levee restoration feasible. We will continue to consider all options to best secure a suitable levee protection program, both long-term and in the immediate future, as part of the CALFED process. Thank you for your letter of concern.

Sincerely,

Lester A. Snow
Executive Director

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Department of Water Resources
California Environmental Protection Agency
State Water Resources Control Board

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Fish and Wildlife Service
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