

August 23, 2000

Tama Adamek, Metro Editor  
Stockton Record  
530 E. Market Street  
Stockton, CA 95202-3009

Dear Ms. Adamek:

This is in reference to an article in the August 22, 2000, edition of the Record by Mr. Jim Sams ("Pombo, GOP blast proposed Delta agency").

I wish to call to your attention to a misattribution of a conclusion from a conversation between Mr. Sams and myself regarding AB 1839, which is now pending in the State Legislature. The article reports me as saying that my agency can wait until next year for the Legislature to create a governing board. This is Mr. Sams conclusion rather than my statement. I spent about thirty minutes providing Mr. Sams with background information on AB 1839, and I explained CALFED proposals for interim and long-term management of the CALFED Bay-Delta Program. These proposals have been published in our June 1999 CALFED Bay-Delta Program draft Environmental Impact Statement, in the June 2000 "Framework for Action" released by the Governor and the Secretary of the Interior, and in our July 2000 final CALFED Bay-Delta Program Environmental Impact Statement. When Mr. Sams suggested summary sentences of my comments, I repeatedly advised him that these sentences were his words, not mine. Nonetheless, the published report attributes these conclusions to me.

After reading the article, I spoke with Mr. Sams regarding this issue. Although this is not a request for any specific corrective action, this matter was important enough to call to your attention. I am sure Mr. Sams will continue to cover CALFED issues, and accuracy is critical. Thank you for your attention.

Sincerely,



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**CALFED Agencies**

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**California** The Resources Agency  
Department of Fish and Game  
Department of Water Resources  
The Reclamation Board  
California Environmental Protection Agency  
State Water Resources Control Board  
Department of Food and Agriculture  
Delta Protection Commission

**Federal** Environmental Protection Agency  
Department of the Interior  
Fish and Wildlife Service  
Bureau of Reclamation  
U.S. Geological Survey  
Bureau of Land Management  
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

Department of Agriculture  
Natural Resources Conservation Service  
U.S. Forest Service  
Department of Commerce  
National Marine Fisheries Service  
Western Area Power Administration