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Lester Snow
Executive Director
Cal-Fed

Lester:

You can forget about your 15,000 cfs of water because your first order of business is to figure out how to build 30,000 square feet of fish screening at the Harvey O. Banks pumping plant and 30,000 square feet of fish screening at the federal Tracy Pumping plant. After you screen the most massive fish killing machines in the history of the United States, then can you figure out how to steal more water.

Its interesting how you can hatch these schemes to steal more water, but you can't figure out how to screen your existing facilities that kill millions of our fish every year, why is that?

Perhaps you could pay for fish screens by imposing a \$25 dollar an acre foot screening fees on all unscreened pumps and in no time at all, they would have the money to stop killing fish by installing fish screens.

Good luck!



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**VOTE YES ON
PROPOSITION
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**THE WATER INTERESTS ARE
TOO BUSY SPENDING AND
INVESTING THE \$20 BILLION
DOLLARS A YEAR THE
WATER THAT RUNS THRU
THEIR UNSCREENED DELTA
PUMPS GENERATES TO
SCREEN THEIR PUMPS!**

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**TOM STIENSTRA
OUTDOORS**

**Hiking and camping
at mailbag mountain**

HERE'S A first: To give people an idea of the mail I receive, here are excerpts from the first dozen letters I opened and read this week,

"I want the beneficiaries of state and federal water projects to stand in front of a television camera and tell the people of the state of California that it is an acceptable business practice to kill millions of California's fish every year in the process of pumping agricultural water." — Brian Murphy, Walnut Creek.

Great idea. I'd also like to see them explain how taxpayers are subsidizing their lucrative corporations, where they pay anywhere from \$3 to \$18 per acre foot of water while Bay Area residents are paying \$1,500 to \$2,000 per acre foot.