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I attended the presentation in Burbank on Oct 14. The three delta alternatives were discussed as indicated in the EIS-EIR.

Off stream storage facilities are common to all three alternatives. Storage facilities are necessary to store water during times of excess runoff for later beneficial uses.

Alternate 1 allows flows thru the delta with little change to the natural flow regimen. This would provide an insignificant enhancement to water quality and to the environment.

Alternate 2 proposes a small channel alignment change at the northeast corner of the delta. This would provide little change to the natural flow regimen thru the delta. This also would provide an insignificant enhancement to water quality and to the environment.

Alternate 3 includes an isolated channel facility that would direct 10,000 cfs from the Sacramento River at Hood around the delta (on the east, southeast and south sides of the delta) to the State and Federal pumps near Tracy. This is the only effort to provide quality water to the south side of the delta. This isolated facility does nothing to improve the delta's environment. Alternate 3 provides for 5,000 cfs to Clifton Court Forebay. It is noted that Alternates 1 and 2 provide for 15,000 cfs. There is no logic to this. The capacity must correspond to the DWR's original master plan.

The delta's water suffers from high concentrations of urban runoff, herbicides, pesticides, fertilizers, boron, salinity, etc, which must be addressed.

The State legislature passed in 1959 the Delta Protection and Burns-Porter Acts. The voters approved the \$1.75 billion bond measure in 1960. The Peripheral Canal was considered to be essential for the delta's environment. The alignment of the isolated facility is the same as that for the Peripheral Canal.

We must get back on track with the Peripheral Canal. This must be the first item to be constructed. This would direct 25,000+- cfs from the Sacramento River at Hood, distribute flows incrementally to multiple delta channels and satisfy the DWR's master plan flow to the State and Federal pumps near Tracy.

The Peripheral Canal would provide positive effects on delta environment and assure quality water for export. This plan would provide maximum benefits to various interest groups and assure cooperative financial support from all parties.

Additional water (ie. "new water") is available by cloud seeding. This would add to the high Sierra snow pack. Increases in snow pack/runoff has been measured from 7 % to 25 %. Cloud seeding is efficient, effective, controlled and cost effective.

All Central Valley Project facilities should be transferred at no cost to the State. This would be a magnum benefit to the Federal government.

cc Gov. Wilson  
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Thank you

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