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Dan Ray
CalFed Bay Delta Program
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Dear Mr. Ray,

I am writing to express my strong support for the Suisun Creek Restoration Program and the application for funding from the California Sportfishing Protection Alliance. The program establishes a long term blueprint for Suisun Creek by involving all the interested parties – landowners, farmers, local agencies, water purveyors, fishing and environmental organizations and regulatory agencies; and by establishing a scientific approach to enhancing the creek. The stakeholders in the watershed have been meeting for a number of months and are working together to create a cooperative program to enhance resources and incorporate the needs and concerns of all parties.

Suisun Creek is largely agricultural and wildland and has a very high potential for restoration of the steelhead fishery. The fish have been found in the creek and the restoration program will address several of the most important elements of the habitat of the steelhead. This program will fund the mapping of invasive riparian species and the removal of invasive species and revegetation with native plants at two large sites along the creek. These pilot demonstration projects will allow landowners in the region to learn first hand about riparian corridor management and wildlife friendly practices. This program will also allow for a feasibility study of the operations of Lake Curry to allow for the improvement in water releases for fish while retaining the municipal water supply in the reservoir.

I encourage you to approve this grant of funds for the Suisun Creek Restoration Program.

Sincerely,

WESLEY CHESBRO
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Mr. Dan Ray
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Dear Mr. Ray,

I am writing to express my support for the Suisun Creek Restoration Program as proposed by the California Sportfishing Protection Alliance. The program establishes a restoration plan for Suisun Creek with the participation of landowners, farmers, the City of Vallejo, local agencies, water purveyors, fishing and environmental organizations and regulatory agencies. The program is based on a scientific approach to enhance the creek in a manner that will restore its native steelhead population and habitat.

The Suisun Creek watershed is largely agricultural and wildland and has a very high potential for restoration of the steelhead fishery. The fish have been found in the creek and the restoration program will address their habitat needs, including the removal of invasive riparian plants and revegetation with native plants at two large sites along the creek. This will allow landowners in the region to learn first hand about riparian corridor management and wildlife friendly practices.

The program will include a feasibility study of the management of Lake Curry to allow for improved flow releases for fish downstream while providing for municipal water supply needs. Increased stream flows will also benefit Suisun Marsh wetlands and wildlife.

On behalf of the many stakeholders in the watershed that have been working together over the past year to create this cooperative program, I encourage you to approve this grant of funds for the Suisun Creek Restoration program.

Sincerely,

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Duane Kromm
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CITY OF VALLEJO

ANTHONY J. INTINTOLI, JR
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December 12, 2001

Mr. Dan Ray
CalFed Bay Delta Program
1416 Ninth Street, Suite 1155
Sacramento, CA 95914

Dear Mr. Ray,

The City of Vallejo hereby expresses its support for the Suisun Creek Restoration Program as proposed by the California Sportsfishing Protection Alliance. The program would establish a restoration plan for Suisun Creek with the participation of landowners, farmers, the City of Vallejo, fishing and environmental organizations and regulatory agencies. The program is based on a scientific approach to enhancing the Creek in a manner that could restore its native steelhead population and aquatic habitat.

The Suisun Creek watershed is largely agricultural and wildland and may have a potential for restoration of the steelhead fishery. The fish have been found in the creek and the restoration program will address their habitat needs, including the removal of invasive riparian plants and revegetation with native plants at two large sites along the creek. This will allow landowners in the region to learn first hand about riparian corridor management and wildlife-friendly practices.

The program will include a feasibility study of the management of the City of Vallejo's Lake Curry to allow for flow releases for fish downstream while also providing for Vallejo's municipal water supply needs from Lake Curry. Increased stream flows may also benefit Suisun Marsh wetlands and wildlife.

As one of the stakeholders in the watershed that have been working over the past year to investigate the feasibility of restoring a steelhead population, I encourage you to approve this grant of funds for the Suisun Creek Restoration Program.

Sincerely,

ANTHONY J. INTINTOLI, JR.
Mayor

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Memorandum

Flex your Power

To : Mr. Dan Ray
CALFED Bay Delta Program
1416 Ninth Street, Suite 1155
Sacramento, CA 95814

Date: December 12, 2001

From : Robert W. Floerke, Regional Manager
Department of Fish and Game - Central Coast Region, Post Office Box 47, Yountville, California 94599

Subject : Suisun Creek Restoration Program

I am writing to express my support for the Suisun Creek Restoration Program as proposed by the California Sportfishing Protection Alliance. The program establishes a restoration plan for Suisun Creek with the participation of landowners, farmers, the City of Vallejo, local agencies, water purveyors, fishing and environmental organizations and regulatory agencies. The program is based on a scientific approach to enhancing the creek in a manner that will restore its native steelhead population and aquatic habitat.

The Suisun Creek watershed is largely agricultural and wildland and has a high potential for restoration of the steelhead fishery. The fish have been found in the creek and the restoration program will address their habitat needs, including demonstration projects on how to remove invasive riparian plants and revegetate with native plants at two large sites along the creek. This will allow landowners in the region to learn first hand about riparian corridor management and wildlife-friendly practices.

The program will include a feasibility study of the management of Lake Curry to allow for improved flow releases for fish downstream while providing for municipal water supply needs. Increased stream flows will also benefit Suisun Marsh wetlands and wildlife.

On behalf of the many stakeholders in the watershed that have been working together over the past year to create this cooperative program, I encourage you to approve this grant of funds for the Suisun Creek Restoration Program.

cc: Mr. John Beuttler
California Sportfishing Protection Alliance

NAPA COUNTY FARM BUREAU

December 10, 2001

Mr. Dan Ray
CALFED Bay Delta Program
1416 Ninth Street, Suite 1155
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Mr. Ray,

The Napa County Farm Bureau supports the grant application for the Suisun Creek Restoration Program as proposed by the California Sportfishing Protection Alliance. The program establishes a restoration plan for Suisun Creek with the participation of landowners, farmers, the City of Vallejo, local agencies, water purveyors, fishing and environmental organizations and regulatory agencies. The program is based on a scientific approach to enhancing the creek in a manner that will restore its native steelhead population and aquatic habitat.

The Suisun Creek watershed is largely agricultural and wildland and has a very high potential for restoration of the steelhead fishery. The fish have been found in the creek and the restoration program will address their habitat needs, including demonstration projects on how to remove invasive riparian plants and re-vegetate with native plants at two large sites along the creek. This will allow landowners in the region to learn first hand about riparian corridor management and wildlife friendly practices.

The program will include a feasibility study of the management of Lake Curry to allow for improved flow releases for fish downstream while providing for municipal water supply needs. Increased stream flows will also benefit Suisun Marsh wetlands and wildlife.

On behalf of the 1,000 members of the Napa County Farm Bureau who support watershed restoration projects, I encourage you to approve this grant of funds for the Suisun Creek Restoration Program.

Sincerely,

Tom Gamble

Tom Gamble
President

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- Vineyard & Olive Ranch -

November 9, 2001

Mr. Dan Ray
CalFed Bay Delta Program
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Dear Mr. Ray,

The purpose of this letter is to show our support for the Suisun Creek Restoration Program as proposed by the California Sportfishing Protection Alliance. The program establishes a restoration plan for Suisun Creek with the participation of landowners, farmers, the City of Vallejo, local agencies, water purveyors, fishing and environmental organizations and regulatory agencies The program will enhance the creek in a manner that will restore its native steelhead population and aquatic habitat based on a scientific approach.

The watershed of Suisun Creek is largely agricultural and wildland and has a high potential for restoration of the steelhead fishery. The fish have been found in the creek and the restoration program will address their habitat needs, including the removal of invasive riparian plants and revegetation with native plants at two large sites along the creek. This will allow landowners in the region to learn first hand about riparian corridor management and wildlife friendly practices.

A feasibility study is included in the program of the management of Lake Curry to allow for improved flow releases for fish downstream while providing for municipal water supply needs. Increased stream flows will also benefit Suisun Marsh wetlands and wildlife.

We, as stakeholders in the watershed who have been working together to create this cooperative program, encourage you to approve this grant of funds for the Suisun Creek restoration Program.

Sincerely,

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On behalf of the many stakeholders in the watershed that have been working together over the past year to create this cooperative program, I encourage you to approve this grant of funds for the Suisun Creek Restoration Program

Sincerely,

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February 20, 2002

Mr. Dan Ray
CALFED Bay Delta Program
1416 Ninth Street, Suite 1155
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Dear Mr. Ray:

As a life long fisherman in California, and specifically the delta region, I am writing to express my support for the Suisun Creek Restoration Program as proposed by the California Sportfishing Protection Alliance. The program establishes a restoration plan for Suisun Creek with the participation of landowners, farmers, the city of Vallejo, local agencies water purveyors, fishing and environmental organizations, and regulatory agencies. The program is based on a scientific approach to enhancing the creek in a manner that will restore its native steelhead population and aquatic habitat.

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On behalf of the many stakeholders in the watershed that have been working together over the past year to create this cooperative program, I encourage you to approve this grant of funds for the Suisun Creek Restoration Program.

Sincerely,

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FEBRUARY 22, 2002

TO: MR. DAN RAY
CALFED BAY DELTA PROGRAM
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FROM: MR. JOHN F. CHIOZZA
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Dear Mr. Ray,

After talking to a friend, Mr Jim Wiley who lives in the Suisun Valley, I was compelled to write you concerning my support for the Suisun Creek Restoration Program as proposed by the California Sportfishing Protection Alliance. The program establishes a restoration plan for Suisun Cre with the participation of landowners, farmers, the City of Vallejo, local agencies, water purveyors, fishing and environmental organizations and regulatory agencies. With support of above mentioned, enhancing the creek in a manner that will restore its native steelhead population and aquatic habitat will be good for all.

The Suisun Creek watershed is a very nice area, with a very high potential for restoration of the steelhead fishery. I know the creek already has fish in it and the restoration program will address their habitat needs, like removal of invasi riparian plants and revegetate with native plants. I think this will be good for all concerned and promote good Wildlife and land management.

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The program should include a feasibility study of the management of Lake Curry to allow for improved flow releases for fish downstream while providing for municipal water supply needs. Increased stream flows will also benefit Suisun Marsh wetlands and wildlife.

On behalf of the many stakeholders in the watershed that have been working together over the past year to create this cooperative program I encourage you to approve this grant of funds for the Suisun Creek Restoration Program.

Am sure you would agree with me anytime people can help the land and Wildlife such as is happening on the Suisun Creek, is a Great Blessing. Thank You.

Sincerely,
John Chiozza

Lakeside Ranch

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Mr Dan Pry:

I am the owner of the property immediately below Lake Curry Dam which spills into the creek that courses thru my property until it exits to the next adjacent property. I have lived here in 1942. I am appalled at the problems now surfacing about the creek. This creek had steelhead fish in it when we moved here — mary. That changed dramatically with the drought — 1925. Valleys & the dam had nothing to do with their demise. F & G planted some fish in 1930's attempting to help them to return. There have been some limited success. However with Valleys releasing water for past 6 years or because they could not treat it to standards required for human use — the creek had running water — year round — and prevented flooding downstream during winter storms.

To date there are many pumps along the creek to irrigate the vineyards — Valleys wants to put in pipe to Green Valley treatment plant & then ship it back up here for local use — This would mean the water flow in creek will be restricted. This is what has stalled all these problems — the intervenors are not interested in the fish or wildlife — which they say they are — they just want it for irrigation — why depredation permits from F&G? I cannot understand Calfed funding on this project — 15 mi of creek & the water will never

(over)

Reach the delta. This is an utter-bark doggle to spend tax payer dollars — grants or not for a few people to a project that will not perform as the CFSA think it will.

This creek routinely dried up every summer in several places — would reappear further down stream, so until it was [illegible]. This changed when Vallejo started releasing water. Leave it ~~alone~~ alone & let nature take care of it as it has for years & years.

I am opposed to Restoration Project unless they require all pumps be removed or only reparian rights & amts allowed. This creek from start to finish at delta progresses thru private property. Since the business has started I have had problems with trespassers. We were told at meetings — held earlier — that the personnel would not enter without permission from landowner. There is no attempt to get permission — just come in as if the property was theirs. This is sure not good P.R for environmentalists! I hope that soon these people will recognize that we still have property rights, we do we?

Respectfully

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