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Lester Snow
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Dear Mr. Snow:

Re: CalFed Plan

The time has come for the Nation and the State of California to come to the realization that the further exploitation of our natural resources is counter productive to the future of both the people and the natural systems that support the citizens of the state. We have spent countless dollars trying to get more water from a very finite as quite variable system and besides enriching a few at the expense of the many, mostly we have squandered an incredible gift that was here when the first settlers arrived just a few hundred years ago.

Any actions encouraged by the CalFed plan need to maximize water efficiency and conservation, remove barrier dams, and maintains or increases instream flows. Only in this way can habitat be restored for the fish and wildlife which have been so sadly decimated in recent years. Also any new dams or raising of existing dams should be resisted as forcefully as possible.

The new millenium provides symbolic "fresh slate" to begin to right the errors of the past era of exploitation and development for its own sake.

Please think about the future for your grandchildren and theirs and let's see if we can't begin to undo some of the damage done by our predecessors.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Tory J. Ceschi