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DEAR MR. SNOW,

WATER AND ENERGY ARE CRITICAL FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF CALIFORNIA'S FUTURE. DAMS AND DIVERSIONS HAVE PROVIDED CALIFORNIANS GREAT BENEFITS FOR DECADES. YET THEY HAVE CAUSED GREAT ECOLOGICAL CHANGES AND ENVIRONMENTAL DESTRUCTION.

THE REVISED CALFED PLAN PROPOSES TO RAISE EXISTING DAMS, INSTALL NEW DAMS, AND OTHERWISE ALTER THE EXISTING INFRASTRUCTURE

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FOR HARNESSING CALIFORNIA'S DWINDLING WATERS.

UNFORTUNATELY, THE PLAN DOES NOT PLACE ENOUGH EMPHASIS ON USING THE CURRENT INFRASTRUCTURE EFFICIENTLY AND ECONOMICALLY. MOREOVER, THE RESTORATION GOAL OF THE PLAN ARE IN DANGER OF BEING OVERWHELMED IF DAM AND DIVERSION PLANS ARE IMPLEMENTED IN THE PROPOSED WAYS & THE PLAN WILL RESULT IN GREATER ECOLOGICAL DESTRUCTION AND UNDERMINE OUR CHILDRENS FUTURE RESOURCES.

NEW DAMS WILL BE SHORT-SIGHTED DEVELOPERS' SCHEMES. LETS WORK TO USE OUR RESOURCES BETTER.

THANK YOU

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