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Dear Mr. Snow,

Please reconsider the revised CALFED plan. I oppose CALFED's plan to increase surface water storage in the Central Valley by raising existing dams or building new offstream storage reservoirs. Calfed's plan to raise Shasta dam would flood segments of the Upper Sacramento & McCloud rivers. Calfed's proposed Sites offstream storage reservoir would require massive water diversions from the Sacramento River.

I urge CALFED to expand water efficiency, conservation, & reclamation programs & stretch our existing water supplies, instead of building new dams & canals. This could be done by switching to higher value & less water consumptive crops & by installing water meters for all agricultural & urban users.

I support CALFED's proposed restoration goals for the Central Valley, including removing some facilities such as the Englebright dam, that act as barriers to migrating salmon, acquiring important riparian habitat, & increasing instream flows for fish wildlife & recreation.

We cannot solve the ecological problems caused by dams & diversions, by building more dams & diversions.

Thank you for your time & consideration.

Sincerely,

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