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Subject: Delta Water Vision Plan

I am writing because I am greatly concerned about the plans being laid down statewide for use of our northern California water. First and foremost I wish to emphasize that revitalization of the delta ecosystem must not come at the expense of other equally valuable ecosystems. I also want to voice my concerns that this plan will put the needs of southern California and urban areas as a priority over the needs of northern California from which the water comes. Will you say that delta smelt are more important than Butte Creek's salmon and therefore take away more of our water? Are you planning to pump our aquifers? Does anyone there working on the Delta Water Vision Plan realize that our way of life here in northern California and various animals and fish species can be forever harmed if our lakes are depleted, our streams drained dry and the rivers channels? Northern California should not be used as solution to solve the water woes of California! It is very good that a solution to the state's water problems is being looked at. But as a concerned citizen I worry that our lack of political representation in this area will mean that our needs for our own water will be ignored and our water will be shipped down south at the expense of us here who have the water. Northern California deserves a bigger voice in how our water is used. It is our most important resource and we should have a say in how much is used and where it goes. Perhaps teaching southern California how to better manage the water they have first and foremost should be a priority before draining our water sources here.

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