



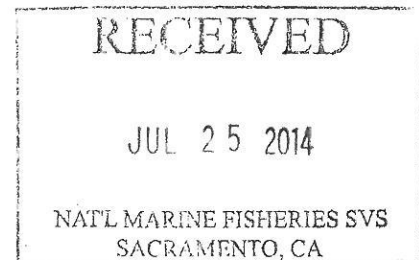
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BDCP Comments  
Ryan Wulff, NMFS  
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Dear Mr. Wulff:

Thank you for accepting public comments from the City of Sacramento (Sacramento) regarding the Bay Delta Conservation Plan (BDCP) and associated draft Environmental Impact Review/Environmental Impact Statement (EIR/EIS). You will be receiving comments separately from Sacramento City staff which raise significant concerns with the BDCP and the EIR/EIS. As the comments will point out, we have lingering concerns regarding water supply assurances, governance, and financing. It is our desire to work with Governor Brown's Administration to develop a comprehensive long term water plan that addresses water supply and environmental challenges faced by all of the residents of California.

The BDCP attempts the laudable goal of improving the water supply reliability to regions in Southern California, San Joaquin Valley and a portion of the Bay Area while trying to improve the Delta ecosystem. However, the proposed BDCP likely will result in continued conflict while not providing the reliability to the export regions or other regions of California. An example of potential conflict is providing water supply assurances to the BDCP proponents in the form of long-term operating permits without a clear understanding of how the BDCP will affect the Delta ecosystem. In our view, these assurances would result in the North State having to provide water or funding if the goals of the BDCP are not met.

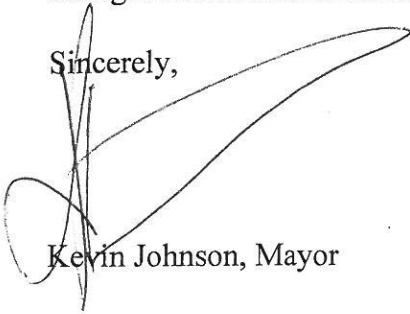
We stand ready to help craft a solution that provides water supply reliability for all residents of California. We need a statewide water plan that does not sacrifice one region of the state to benefit another. The solution must protect, restore, and enhance the Delta ecosystem. As the most innovative state in the nation, we can find solutions to address the many water challenges before us, including increasing California's water supply rather than simply redistributing existing supplies. The solution

must include modern water management strategies including increased conservation, recycled water, desalination, investments in technology and managing surface water and ground water conjunctively. And lastly, a solution must provide a long-term governance role for stakeholders throughout the state, including local government. The solution must not pre-empt local control.

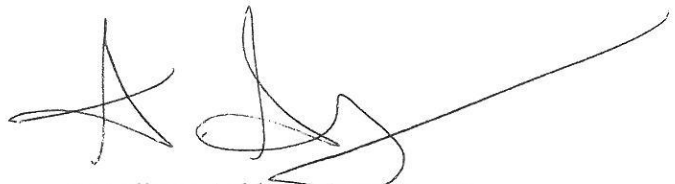
Leaders in the Sacramento region are committed to working with the Governor, our local partners and statewide water interests to find common sense solutions. We need ways to add water supply into the system and improve the fragile Delta habitat and species while maintaining a high quality of life and ensuring economic opportunities for future generations.

If you have any questions or require additional information please contact Randi L. Knott, Intergovernmental Relations Officer at (916) 808-5771.

Sincerely,



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