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Regional Water Board,

The California Delta, the biggest estuary on the West Coast of North America, is a priceless public and ecological resource but the years of over pumping and lax enforcement of pollution laws as pertains to farms, have taken it's toll. Already populations of a number or species that inhabit the delta or use it as a vital migratory route are seriously imperiled. The deterioration of this resource has also had negative effects on the many california citizens who live along it's shores and downstream in the SF bay.

I am writing to ask you to start imposing and enforcing pollution laws concerning farm run-off. Pesticides, fertilizers and animal waste all make their way to the Delta and SF bay from farms by way of the many waterways that flow into the California Delta and the rivers that feed it.

Pollution laws are already in force for most businesses in the state whether small Mom & Pop or huge corporations so it is only fair that farms (many of which are a part of large Ag corporations) should also have common sense but serious restraints put on their out put of polluting chemicals, etc.

Thanks for your time,

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