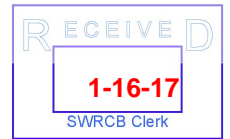


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Water is a public trust resource that belongs to ALL Californians and we count on the SWRCB to protect our Delta now with increased flows in rivers!

Please do not let agribusiness continue to rape the Delta of the 60% freshwater flows it needs to be a healthy ecosystem. Californians rely on you to protect our Delta for water quality, for local farmers, for fish and wildlife, and for enjoyment of natural recreation areas. Why would anyone want to visit northern CA to see a dying Delta and SF Bay? We have an amazing estuary that we need to value and ensure it thrives. Have the words "Public Trust" become meaningless?

Send a message to agribusiness that it needs to stop irrigating lands that should never have been planted and to stop expanding permanent crops in times of drought. Where is the common sense in such foolish practices. The continued rape of the Delta means a sad legacy for future generations. Even if the millions of dollars for future restoration can be found, the Delta may be so depleted and destroyed that it will never be recovered and restored.

At what point do we recognize enough already and say NO to the gluttonous and constant demands of agribusiness. These wealthy owners do not live in northern CA and do not love the Delta. They do not care about our amazing estuary or our quality of life in this region. They do not feel joy at the sight of egrets, cranes and waterfowl as they drive along highways. Their hearts do not fill with wonder at the beauty of the bays and marshes at sunset and dawn. They care only about their money. Do not let them run the show because they can spend time at hearings and throw money at studies to support their will.

Most of us that live in northern CA are quiet about our love for the rivers and the Delta. We rely on the voices of a few environmental organizations. And we rely on the SWRCB honoring the role of protecting our public trust resources.

Sincerely,

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