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I have been following with great interest your proposal to increase flows in the San Joaquin. I am a huge fan of the delta. It is a fabulous recreation area, rich in migratory bird life, boating and fishing. But more than that it is a rich agricultural area. The water flowing from the 2 rivers keeps the saline balance in the bay and protects fisheries which have been badly impacted by the lack of fresh water in the delta. In addition, many people who live in the delta rely on the drinking water provided by these flows. Driving down route 5 I see the signs 'Is growing food wasting water?' To that I say 'Yes, If it is here'. Much of the land under irrigation is unsuitable desert with poison runoff. The delta offers farmland which is rich and historically full of smaller farms, unlike the vast conglomerates of Southern California. Please keep to your plan - 60% of flow is a lot better than we have now, although I would prefer more. The delta and all it's residents need your protection.

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