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Dear California Waterboard members,

My husband, adult son and I had a fantastic trip kayaking on the American River on Friday, November 18, 2016. I have been rafting, kayaking, picnicking, biking along that river for 40+ years. Our son was visiting from Boston. Once again, we found ourselves exclaiming how fantastic that the powers that be had kept some wildness in this city with dense population. It is a treasure that should only be enhanced. And lovely to see the continued improvements made by countless volunteers planting natives. Part of the beauty is the salmon. On that Friday, we loved being surprised by a sudden jump of a salmon or watching one streaking past. Also fascinating were the vultures, sitting close by and stationed along the river waiting for a good dinner.

I believe we once had about 6 salmon runs. It is such a token amount left. Please, do nothing to damage what little is left. Think of your grandchildren. And future generations. The science says we need 50 -60% flow. Please heed the science. Ag can learn to conserve water even more and plant in wise places. Protect our Delta.

There are interesting Ted talks that tie in how salmon, mammals, trees are all connected. Removing water, killing the salmon and smelt, effects the habitat in profound ways as science is now learning.

Please heed the science and protect our last salmon runs with 50-60% flow.

Thank you,  
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