

October 4, 2016

Jeanine Townsend, Clerk to the Board
State Water Resources Control Board
1001 I Street, 24th Floor
Sacramento, CA 95814-0100



Ms. Townsend:

I object to the proposed flows for the San Joaquin tributaries. The result of the proposal will be that I'll have to reduce the size of my family farm to below economic levels, or give up the farm altogether. I will lose, my employees will lose and local businesses will lose. Who are the winners? The salmon? Maybe, maybe not. Increased flows in the past have not significantly improved fish survival. Only the non-native striped bass will benefit if their food supply of salmon smolts is increased. Perhaps you should direct your attention to removing or reducing striped bass populations first. If that doesn't help, then you may consider increased flows.

Thank you for your attention.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Robert Chad".

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Cc: Governor Jerry Brown