

October 4, 2016



Jeanine Townsend, Clerk to the Board  
State Water Resources Control Board  
1001 I Street, 24<sup>th</sup> floor  
Sacramento, CA 95814-0100

Dear Ms. Townsend,

Please relay my input to the Water Board as soon as possible.

Let them know that I strongly support the Board's proposal to keep more water in the Tuolumne, Stanislaus and Merced rivers, to increase river flows for fish and wildlife to *at least* 40% of the flows that would be in the rivers under natural conditions.

For so long agriculture and industry have diverted a large percentage of the San Joaquin River out of these three tributaries. The lack of water and the resulting increased water temperatures are threatening the populations of our local fish species.

Yes, let's improve the water quality in these rivers and by doing so improve the wildlife habitats for the benefit of all. *Please* keep more water in our rivers.

Sincerely,

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