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Subject: Water use

Dear Water board,

As a concerned citizen of California and avid fisherman I want to suggest other options to help the Salmon population besides the proposed large water flush on the rivers. On the surface it seems like a 40% unencumbered water flow is a big waste of a precious resource. We all know that the “non native” striped bass are the main reason for any “potential” decline in Salmon population. The logical first thing to do is raise the catch rate significantly for striped bass and remove the size limit. I love catching striped bass, but for the sake of Salmon this makes sense. We have to remember that striped bass are non native. Give this a try for a year or two. If after two years that doesn’t work then go to striped bass removal by shock with sectional removal along areas of the rivers when the flow rate is low. Fish will be in localized pools and I would think could be removed easily working from the mouths of the river upward.

We also know that as much as this water issue is advertised about the Salmon it has a lot to do with water for So CA. We need to advocate for quicker dam building and reservoir creation. After a vote, funds could and should be moved from the bullet train to reservoir capacity. I would also think that the LA river could easily be dammed off and water retained for their use instead of flowing out to the ocean. I can’t tell you how many business trips over the years where I have seen Pyramid lake full to brim and So CA is watering the ice plant on the side of the freeway in the middle of the day while our lawns are brown in No CA. This abuse of water regulations force feed for Northern CA compared to Southern must stop. It highlights the hypocrisy of this issue and really leaves a bad fishy odor in the nostrils of No Californian’s. I have not even touched on the need of water for farmers here, but hopefully you get the point.

It seems like there are some logical steps that can and should be taken to help make life better for all in CA without causing this division that continues to grow. Please bring back some sanity to our state and our lives for both us and our children so all can enjoy and be proud of a California that makes good decisions based on reasoned fact. Lets make California great again!

Sincerely,

Brian Indelicato
Concerned Northern California citizen

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