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State Water Resources Control Board
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RE: Workshop to Receive Information on Development of a Strategic Workplan for the San Francisco Bay/Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta – March 19, 2008

Dear State Water Resources Control Board,

Your workshop notice specifically requested information from representatives of Delta Vision, BDCP, and CALFED on activities the SWRCB should prioritize in its **Strategic Workplan for the San Francisco Bay/Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta** to best complement and support the related goals of those ongoing processes. We expect that representatives of those processes will provide useful guidance to the SWRCB regarding the development of your strategic plan, and agree that it is appropriate for the SWRCB to allocate resources towards actions that will assist these other processes.

PCL, however, believes that the primary guidance for the strategic workplan should come from SWRCB's own mandate for the protection of California's water resources. The SWRCB has unique authority in the State to take decisive action in the Delta. While it makes sense to build partnerships with other processes, we encourage the SWRCB to exercise your considerable authority and strengthen your leadership role in addressing the Delta crisis.

Sincerely,

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