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Felicia Marcus, Chairwoman
State Water Resources Control Board
1001 I Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

April 29, 2016


Dear Chairwoman Marcus:

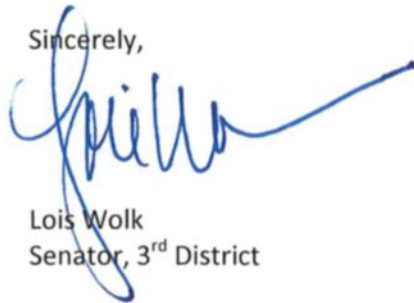
This letter is to express our support for expediting the update of the 2006 Water Quality Control Plan (WQCP) for the San Francisco Bay-Delta Estuary and adopting new water quality standards in the next 1-2 years.

Under federal and state law, the State Board is required to review the WQCP every three years, but has yet to complete any update from as far back as 1995. The Board initiated its current review of the standards in 2009, but six years later has yet to adopt any amendments.

We commend the State Board for successfully completing the Development of Flow Criteria for the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Ecosystem in 2010, which included flow criteria during critical periods to protect our native fish and wildlife. But the Bay-Delta Estuary is at risk, and we cannot afford further delay of updated standards that sufficiently protect our fish and wildlife and water quality.

We are united in urging you to make a decision as soon as possible and respectfully request that you look favorably on this request.

Sincerely,



Lois Wolk
Senator, 3rd District



Senator Hill, 13th District



Senator Leno, 11th District



Senator Hancock, 22nd District



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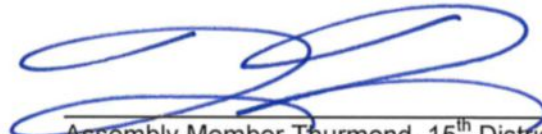
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