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To: [Delta Council Delta Plan Comments](#)
Subject: Delta Project
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Dear Dept. of Boating & Waterways:

This message is in response to the Jan. 4, 2013 article in the Discovery Bay Press entitled "Deadline looms for Delta Plan Project."

I am not in favor of any plan that would give Southern California preference over the precious water resources of the Delta. This plan has the potential to cause so many problems with the eco-structure, local farming, fishing, boating and the future availability of water resources for the communities in our area.

The Governor is fiscally irresponsible, beginning with the bullet train that no one wants, that everyone will have to pay for, but only a few will be able to afford to ride.

Now, he wants all of California to take on an additional expense that would impact the economy for years to come just to benefit one part of the State. This is just another taxpayer-funded project that all would pay for but only the South would benefit from.

Because this is a two-part program, what guarantee is there that the Delta restoration part will be funded, especially given the State's [current](#) financial predicament.

It's [akin](#) to two people drinking from the same large soda, with one person having the larger straw, although both people paid for this beverage.

Right now one of the benefits of living in the Delta area is a reasonable price for water. When these canals are built, it could result in higher rates if the amount of available water in this area is decreased.

During times of low rainfall in Northern California, there has been water rationing. I don't [know](#) that this has been expected of Southern California, even though much of that land is in desert areas. In addition, they are known for conspicuous consumption.

Why does the solution for Southern California have to be to take water from up north. Why don't [they](#) consider other options such as construction limits and reclaiming water from the ocean. I understand that San Diego has a successful ocean water reclamation program, so why is this canal extending that far south?

I was unable to open the web site to read the detail, so I might have missed answers to some of my comments above; however, I read the project overview on a news program online.

Please advise what I can do to help fight this project. Is there going to be an initiative for us to vote on, or is there a petition that needs to be signed?

This would be a David vs. Goliath fight, which can be won with the proper support.

I look forward to your response.

Regards,

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