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Final Comment on the Final Draft Delta Plan regarding Discovery Bay:

I reviewed the plan and found only one reference to Discovery Bay on page 182:

"Much of that increase [of people who reside in the Delta area] occurred in new communities in previously unincorporated county areas, such as Discovery Bay."

What is missing and needed is special recognition that Discovery Bay is a unique community built on and around the water. We have over 3,500 water-front homes here, homes with extremely small lot sizes because our "lot" includes boat docks and our "swimming pools" are the Delta water. Our lot values are several hundred thousand more costly than other Discovery Bay golf-front or lake-front homes because of the desirable Delta waterfront. The community's lives and activities are centered around the water - we have a yearly "Paddle for Fame" and have twice set the Guinness World Record for the most people in non-powered (people-powered) boats (kayaks, paddle boards, etc.), Christmas and spring boat parades, raise money from bass fishing events and other boating events. We spend summers swimming in, exercising in, and enjoying the Delta water.

In other words, we are reliant on a healthy, fresh water Delta for our health, our home values, our way of life. The Plan should recognize that and call out the need to maintain clean, healthy, fresh water flowing through the Southern Delta specifically where Discovery Bay is located.

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