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Phil Isenberg, Chairman, and Council Members

Delta Stewardship Council

Attn: Christopher M. Knopp, Executive Officer

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Sacramento, California 95814

RE: Request for Time Extension to Comment Periods on the Final Delta Plan, Supplement to Draft Program EIR, and Draft Regulations for Final Delta Plan

Dear Chairman Isenberg et al:

At your meeting of November 15, 2012, the Delta Stewardship Council (DSC) announced that the concurrent public review periods for the DSC's Final Delta Plan (FDP), the Supplement to the Draft Program Environmental Impact Report for the Final Delta Plan (SPEIR), and the corresponding Draft Regulations (DR) released by the California Office of Administrative Law will run for 45 days, from November 30, 2012 through January 14, 2013.

The SJCOG, Inc., as administrators of the county-wide habitat conservation plan in San Joaquin County, intends to thoroughly review and comment on the above-referenced documents. However, due to the complexity, importance, and significance of these documents on the existing habitat conservation plan and all the jurisdictions within San Joaquin County and the fact that the review periods fall during a major holiday season, SJCOG, Inc. is respectfully and officially requesting that the DSC extend the concurrent public review periods for an additional 90 days, ending on April 15, 2013. Also, as result of the slumping economy, SJCOG, Inc. has substantially reduced its staff and consultant resources and needs this time extension to facilitate an adequate review and response.

SJCOG, Inc. looks forward to your favorable response to our time extension request. Our agency is committed to continued coordination with the DSC members and DSC staff in the review of these documents and the future adoption and implementation of the

Delta Plan. Should you have any questions or wish to discuss this request, please contact my staff (Steve Mayo, Senior Habitat Planner) at 209-235-0600.

Sincerely,



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Deputy Executive Director / Chief Financial Officer

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Josh Emery, United States Fish and Wildlife Service
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