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Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments to the ISB. It is essential to assure we have a scientific review. I would like to first add, that I agree with everything Mr. Zuckerman said in his comments to the ISB on July 19, 2022. I also commend the Delta Protection Commission for the comments they submitted. I would like to add at this time the importance of protecting salt water intrusion from coming into the Delta. So much discussion is revolving around how to manage salt water in the Delta, and not enough of the discussion revolves around how to prevent it from coming into the Delta. Agriculture in the Delta cannot survive salt water intrusion. It is imperative that we not let that happen. Those reasons can be addressed with further documentation revolving around an economic report. By protecting Agricultural interest, you will be protecting all of California. I hope that is not needed to make that point clear. So in the review of this huge document, I hope this is first and foremost on your radar. I also want to point out the need for levee improvement. If the inclusion of Climate Change is not addressed in this document adequately, I am wondering how that is possible. Maybe it is something DWR cannot address responsibly. The project timeframe of 14-20 years before completion, takes us to 2042 (who knows how long it will take before if operation if allowed) That is very near the 2050 year that so many climate people refer for climate change discussions, and the impact on those climate change guesses are not adequately addressed in this document. Without more dedication to flood control, nothing in this EIR can happen. These levees are tantamount to successful water supply deliveries as well as flood control responsibilities, that will enable future water projects for California. Thank you for your time and effort in this regard.

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