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Re: Draft Delta Plan – Impacts on San Juan Water District Customers

Dear Mr. Isenberg:

I am a San Juan Water District customer and I have serious concerns with the Draft Delta Plan currently under consideration by the Delta Stewardship Council. **This version should not be used as the basis of the environmental review process.**

San Juan Water District's water treatment facility is located east of Sacramento, next to Folsom Lake and the American River. San Juan serves 265,000 customers in their retail and wholesale operations, which encompass portions of Granite Bay, Orangevale, Folsom, Roseville, Fair Oaks, Citrus Heights and periodically portions of north Sacramento County.

There are advantages to living in Northern California close to the source of the water that comes out of your tap. San Juan has always had – and should always have – enough water to serve its residents at a reasonable cost.

My primary concerns with your Council's draft Delta Plan are as follows:

- **Reducing the amount of surface water San Juan can use.** The current draft allows state agencies to prevent water suppliers, like San Juan, from using more of their local water until they have implemented “all other feasible water supply alternatives.” This could require San Juan to implement very expensive projects, like pumping recycled water uphill many miles, before using water out of Folsom Lake.
- **Undermining San Juan's ability to deliver reliable, high-quality water at a reasonable cost to customers like me.** The draft plan proposes that your Council be able to assess fees against San Juan based on the water it delivers to residents. What benefit would San Juan's residents like me receive from those fees?
- **Proposed boundaries for the Council's jurisdiction are excessive.** The Delta Stewardship Council should not have a jurisdiction that stretches from the Oregon border to Mexico. Your Council's focus should be strictly on the Delta.

When northern California agreed that southern California could use water from our local rivers, the deal was that we would have access to that water when we needed it. That deal must stand. **The Council should revise the draft plan to address the unfair impacts to San Juan and other similar water districts.**

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,