

Congress of the United States
Washington, DC 20515

April 16, 2013

The Honorable Sally Jewell
Secretary
Department of the Interior
1849 C Street NW
Washington, DC 20240

Dear Secretary Jewell:

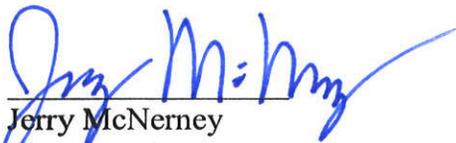
Congratulations on your appointment as Secretary of the Department of the Interior. You have tremendous responsibilities and challenges in your mission to use science to manage and sustain America's lands, water, wildlife, and energy resources. We are confident that you will be a strong leader and advocate on these important issues.

California is one of the most geographically diverse areas of the country, and its abundant resources provide many benefits not only for state residents, but people around the globe. Our state's water supply is a complex system that is essential for supporting natural land and wildlife ecosystems, providing drinking water for more than 28 million people, and sustaining the most robust agriculture production in the world. The hub of this valuable, but finite, resource is the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta.

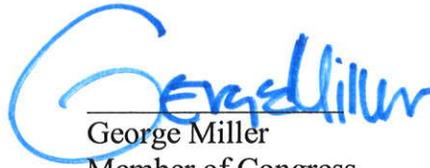
The decades-long debate about California's water supply will continue in the years ahead, but the status quo is not sustainable for the Delta. Currently, the state of California and federal agencies, including the Department of the Interior, are working on the Bay Delta Conservation Plan (BDCP). We have concerns with the current BDCP proposal and believe it is important that you are fully informed of this project's impact on the Delta and our constituents. This plan has serious implications for the livelihood of Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta residents and all Californians. We are willing to work with all interested parties on a California-centered solution and not one that benefits one portion of the state at the expense of another.

Therefore, we request a meeting with you to discuss the BDCP. Although the state of California is releasing drafts of the BDCP and holding public hearing sessions, we believe it is imperative that you sit down with the Members of Congress who represent these regions. We look forward to your prompt response and are eager to work together with you in your capacity of Interior Secretary.

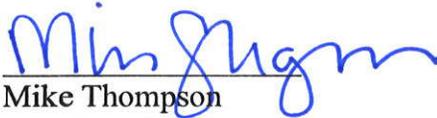
Sincerely,



Jerry McNerney
Member of Congress



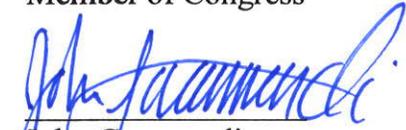
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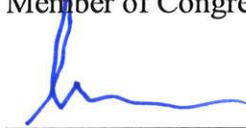
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