May 30, 2008

Ms. Delores Brown  
Chief, Office of Environmental Compliance  
Department of Water Resources  
P.O. Box 942836  
Sacramento, CA 94236

RE: Pending Clarksburg Proposals

Dear Ms. Brown:

On behalf of the Friends of the Clarksburg Library (FOCL), we would like to submit this letter to you as part of the scoping comments pertaining to the proposals being contemplated for the Clarksburg area.

FOCL is very concerned with the proposals that would either convert certain areas of the Clarksburg area into “tidal marsh wetlands” or a “Primary Habitat Restoration Zone”. As presented to the community the Bay Delta Conservation Plan proposes the creation of tidal marsh wetlands where none have existed before, and the restoration of aquatic habitat that may have a negative effect on existing habitat. Our community has a rich agricultural background and many of the land use practices provide valuable habitat for wildlife, the proposal envisioned in the BDCP Scoping Plan endanger both the agricultural and habitat values that currently exist.

We believe any of the 4 proposals currently being discussed would have do irreparable damage to the Clarksburg community and we would strongly discourage any movement forward with these proposals.

Respectfully,

Rina Venturini DiMare, Board President  
Friends of the Clarksburg Library

CC: North Delta Community Area Residents for Environmental Stability  
Senator Mike Machado  
Assemblymember Lois Wolk  
Congressman Mike Thompson