

### **Delta Counties Coalition**

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*"Working together on water and Delta issues"*

May 10, 2016

Honorable Kamala Harris  
California Attorney General  
1300 I Street, Suite 1740  
Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: Request for Meeting

Dear Attorney General Harris:

The Delta Counties Coalition (DCC), consisting of the counties of Contra Costa, Sacramento, San Joaquin, Solano and Yolo, requests to meet with you at your earliest convenience regarding Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta issues, specifically the proposed twin tunnels project in the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta.

Supervisors from the five Delta counties sit on the three state agencies that govern the Delta: the Delta Stewardship Council, the Delta Protection Commission, and the Delta Conservancy. The Delta Counties have actively participated in the discussion and creation of the state-mandated Delta Plan. The DCC has fully engaged for many years in the process of evaluating the twin tunnels proposal and have serious concerns that the diversion of Sacramento River water through the tunnels will cause irreparable harm to endangered species and to the environmental, water quality, and economic health of the Delta.

We are pleased that you have stated your support for the federal Endangered Species Act, which is critical to the protection of endangered fish and other wildlife in the Delta. We have noted that in several recent press reports you have indicated support for the twin tunnels proposal, and we hope to provide you with additional information that demonstrates the severe impact the proposal will have on the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta and the San Francisco Bay-Delta Estuary as a whole. We strongly believe that the state's water problems can be solved through a variety of actions that, unlike the tunnels, will not decimate one region to benefit another.

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Thank you for your consideration and we look forward to an opportunity to speak with you.

Sincerely,



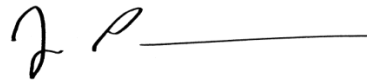
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